

Official Proceedings of the Aldermen of the City of Hamilton
Wednesday, March 11th, 2026 | 5:30pm

A regular meeting of the City of Hamilton Board of Aldermen was held on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, from 5:30pm to 7:43pm at City Hall, 200 S Davis Street, Hamilton, Missouri.

Present at Meeting:

Cole Crawford, Mayor
Robert Grant, West Alderman
Cameron Fast, West Alderman
Deedie Esry, East Alderman
Toni Schmidt, East Alderman

City Staff:

Lauren Dannar, City Administrator
JC Kirkendoll, Chief of Police
Wade Reed, Public Works Supervisor
Jamie Roll, Public Works Asst Supervisor, Appeared via Zoom

Call to Order: Mayor Cole Crawford called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Bob Hughes led those present in the pledge of allegiance

Approve Agenda: Motion by Fast, Second by Schmidt, motion carried

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Esry made a motion to approve the minutes of February 11, 2026 meeting, Second by Fast, motion carried

Review and Approval of Bills: Fast made a motion to approve the bills, Second by Schmidt, motion carried

Public Comment: Alderman Schmidt asked Bob Hughes about a new business going into a building downtown.

Bill Number 02182026- An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Hamilton to renew a contract with Laura Shatto, Laura's Cleaning Service- second reading: Esry made motion to approve bill number 02182026, Grant second. The board voted as follows: Fast-Aye, Grant-Aye, Esry-Aye, Schmidt-Aye

Bill Number 03022006- An ordinance providing for the election and setting forth the duties, salary and term of the office of City Clerk – First reading: Mayor Crawford read the first reading.

Bill Number 03032026- An ordinance authorizing the City of Hamilton to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Hamilton R-II School District – First reading: Mayor Crawford read the first reading

Discussion regarding camping at the Hamilton Reservoir: Lauren Dannar presented email from Crystal Poole, Caldwell County Conservation agent, with concerns and recommendations to consider for allowing camping. It was noted that there is no electrical at the reservoir currently. Further discussion postponed for work session meeting.

Resolution 2026-99 appointing Fran Esry to Park Board. The board all voted in favor.

Discussion of Police LPR Equipment: Chief Kirkendoll presented information on LPR software that is compatible with current equipment in vehicles as well as Flock cameras in the City of Hamilton. Grant made a motion to approve the purchase of LPR technology for the vehicles, Schmidt second, motion carried. Council would like Chief to get answers to questions and postponed decision on Flock cameras to next work session pending the answers to questions raised.

Project Updates:

Mayor: MODot to begin work in Hamilton on March 16th, 2026 with completion anticipated in May. Chamber Gala is on March 20th.

City Administrator: Reported attendance of AGRiP conference and that the City Clerk is currently attending the City Clerk Conference. City Hall roof has been sealed, flooring and paint complete in front office. Additionally a swing was ordered for the park.

Police: Chief Kirkendoll reported that the department took 6 reports, 60 calls for service and 1 arrest in the month of February. Sgt Lund is attending training for Active Patrol and will be attending a Report Writing class soon. All officers qualified on all weapons. Chief has been attending a leadership class and will be attending the Command College in the coming months. The Department hired Hillary Hosman as their Law Enforcement Clerk. Hosman has been actively working on record retention efforts.

Streets: Wade Reed reported that the department had installed 2 culverts, one at Dudley and Walnut and the other at Bird and Ewing. Trash has increased. All safety inspections are complete on all City property. The bed was repaired on the F550. Motor Grader sold on March 6th on GovDeals for \$20,000. Siding and light repaired at the Library. Foundation inspection at the library showed the west wall had settled ½ inch in 1 year. Priority for the department is ditching and culverts. All equipment is running as it should. Helping other departments as needed.

People Service: No report at this time. City Administrator reported at this time a pool manager had been hired. Fast brought up discussion of pool party calendar.

There was no old business to discuss.

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

Next Worksession: Wednesday, April 29, 2026 at 5:20 p.m.

Closed Session: Pursuant to RsMO 610.21.1, involving legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a governmental body, Esry made a motion to close the meeting at 7:22 pm, Schmidt seconded the motion and the board voted in favor. Esry made a motion to reopen the meeting at 7:42p.m. Schmidt seconded the motion and the board voted in favor.

Adjourn: Fast made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43pm, Grant second, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lauren Dannar".

Lauren Dannar, City Administrator