

Alexandria City Council

Call to Order:

This meeting of the Alexandria City Council was called to order by Mayor Naselroad. Council Members - Roger Cuneo, present; John Burdsall, present; Wendi Goens, present; Amy McCurry, present; Dave Luck, present; Donna Key-Kerr, present; and Jeremy VanErman, present. Also, in attendance were City Attorney, Chou-il Lee and Clerk-Treasurer Darcy VanErman.

Public Comment:

Lisa Summers, 114 S. Black St., thanked the Council for tabling the utility rate ordinances they have been considering and explained her concerns for the impact to people within the community.

Approval of Minutes/Claims/Payroll:

No meeting Minutes were submitted for approval. They will be available for the next meeting.

Upon Mayor Naselroad introducing Warrant 20081 through 20171 in the amount of \$245,126.63, Wendi Goens inquired to direction from Attorney Lee on how best to proceed with approval. He reminded the Council to the need for funds to be appropriated for spending. After much discussion on the topic, Jeremy VanErman motioned to approve the Claims from Funds with Positive balances and table the rest. Wendi Goens second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Warrant 20172 through 20237 in the amount of \$149,798.99 was presented to Council for their review and consideration. Jeremy VanErman motioned to approve the Claims from Funds with Positive balances and table the rest. Donna Key Kerr second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Wendi Goens motioned to approve the Payroll from February 15, 2026 in the amount of \$147,995.29. Donna Key Kerr second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Jeremy VanErman motioned to approve February's Pension in the amount of \$19,083.16. Wendi Goens second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Communication:

Ordinances/Resolutions:

** see below Old Business for the Ordinance actions of this meeting**

Old Business:

The second reading for Ordinance 2026-005-C regarding establishing Internal Controls standards for the city is before the Council for their consideration. Amy McCurry motioned to pass the Ordinance so it is place and we can begin building as we go. Donna Key Kerr second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Ordinance 2026-001-C to amend trash rates is before the Council for their consideration. Jeremy VanErman opened discussions with citing his previous work history with the city and his experiences with how much our employees sacrifice for our city as well as operate without adequate tools and materials and still care for our daily operation needs. He reminded those present that the advertisement in the newspaper was at the highest rates being considered and he presented his thoughts to phasing in rates versus taking a one time jump. He stated that the figures that had been discussed were at 4000 gallons of monthly consumption to which he would like to propose numbers back at 3000 to assist with the increases being seen. He spoke to funding and grant sourcing to be explored as we continue forward.

Amy McCurry shared that selling the utilities is the absolute last option and, to clarify, at this point they are not being sold.

Mayor Naselroad let the Council know that everything was submitted to IDEM regarding the Long Term Control Plan on February 11, 2026 and he looks to know more very soon.

Roger Cuneo stated he wants to see revised figures for these Amendments as he will not support a 60% increase.

Upon hearing nothing further, John Burdsall motioned to approve Ordinance 2026-001-C to pass solid waste collection and disposal fees as advertised. Jeremy VanErman second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Ordinance 2026-002-C to amend sewage works fees – Jeremy VanErman motioned to table the Ordinance. Roger Cuneo second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Ordinance 2026-003-C to amend storm water fees – Amy McCurry motioned to table the Ordinance. Wendi Goens second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Ordinance 2026-004-C to amend water and fire hydrant fees – Wendi Goens motioned to table the Ordinance. Amy McCurry second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

New Business:**Other Business:**

Adjournment:

Upon hearing nothing further, a motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Donna Key Kerr and second by Roger Cuneo. All in favor; motion carries.

Todd Naselroad, Mayor

John Burdsall, Council President

Attest:

Darcy VanErman, Clerk Treasurer

***These Minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Alexandria Common Council Meeting. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing at www.youtube.com/@CityofAlexandriaIndiana for as long as this media is supported.*