

Unapproved Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Alderman of the City of Pilot Grove, Missouri, (City Council) held at 6:00 pm on September 8, 2026 at City Hall, located at 213 College Street in the City of Pilot Grove, Missouri are as follows:

1. Call to order. Council Members present: Donna Bader, Rob Bader, Will Thomas and Kathy Waller. Mayor Robert Kraus, City Clerk Lori Vollrath, Police Chief Pete Busalacki and Director of Operations, Tony Maddex. Guests: David Uhlig with MECO Engineering and Rabahka Brown.
2. Approval of the agenda with additions of Rabahka Brown's request to be added under the guest comments portion of the meeting and the presentation of the draft of the 2025-26 Audit report under the Clerk's Report. Motion: D. Bader, 2nd: K. Waller, Vote: 4-0.
3. Guest Comments/Concerns: None
 - a. Rabahka Brown, owner of The Grove located at 127 Main Street, requested that Main Street be partially closed for a festival, Grove Fest, on October 3, 2026 from approximately 7:30 a.m to 7:00 p.m. This festival/gathering will include activities that will be free to the public and also include vendors set up along Main St. Closure was granted. Motion: D. Bader, 2nd: K. Waller, Vote: 4-0. Motion to waive business licenses for vendors for the day of the festival. Motion: W. Thomas, 2nd: R. Bader, Vote 4-0.
 - b. Sewer Project: David Uhlig with MECO Engineering provided an update on the Sewer Projects.
 - i. Approval of Pay App #3 to Bennett Inc. for Sewer Project #1. Motion: D. Bader, 2nd: W. Thomas, Vote: 4-0.
 - ii. Approval of Pay App #2 to SMICO Contracting Group for Sewer Project #2. Motion: K. Waller, 2nd: D. Bader, Vote: 4-0.
 - iii. Approval of invoices to MECO Engineering for Contract Administration and Resident Project Representative Services for the sewer projects. Motion: R. Bader, 2nd: W. Thomas, Vote: 4-0.
4. Approval of August 3, 2026 minutes. Motion: K. Waller 2nd: W. Thomas, Vote: 4-0.
 - a. Approval of August 3, 2026 closed session minutes. Motion: R. Bader, 2nd: W. Thomas, Vote: 4-0.
5. City Clerk Report:
 - a. The financial reports for August 2026 were presented and accepted. Motion: D. Bader, 2nd: R. Bader, Vote:4-0.
 - b. 2025-26 Audit Report Draft. The draft of the 2025-26 Audit Report was presented to the council. The Representation Letter was authorized to sign by the Mayor and Clerk. Motion: R. Bader, 2nd: D. Bader, Vote: 4-0.
6. The Police Report for August 2026 was approved. Motion: R. Bader, 2nd: W. Thomas, Vote: 4-0.
7. Old Business
 - a. Sidewalk Project finalization steps discussed
 - b. Feral cat houses by City tractor shed were discussed..
8. New Business
 - a. Building Permits: No permits were submitted
 - b. Resolution No. 2026-6:Setting the 2026 Tax Levy was read for its final reading and passed. Motion: R. Bader, 2nd: W. Thomas, Vote: 4-0. discussion.
 - c. Ordinance 127: Granting Mayor Kraus authorization to sign Pilot Grove/MoDOT Hwy M Agreement was read for its second reading and passed. Motion: D. Bader, 2nd: K. Waller, Vote: 4-0.
 - d. Update on fitting snow plow to 2026 RAM 2500

- e. The City's 2000 GMC will be put out for sealed bids due by 3:00, October 5, 2026 and to be opened at the regular meeting on October 5, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Motion: W. Thomas, 2nd: R. Bader, Vote: 4-0.
- f. Update on the Mayor speaking with the owners of 117 and 119 Main Street about the state of their properties.
- g. A possible park tax was discussed.
- h. Water rates were discussed.

9. Closed Session: The meeting was not closed.

10. No further actions were taken in this session.

11. The date of the next regular council meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 5th, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

12. Meeting adjourned. Motion: K. Waller, 2nd: D. Bader Vote: 4-0