

Minutes of Special Meeting
April 27, 2026

The City Council of Jefferson City, Tennessee, met in special called session on Monday, April 27, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., at City Hall, 112 City Center Drive, with Mayor Mitch Cain presiding.

Roll Call by the City Recorder was as follows:

Mayor Cain	Present
Vice Mayor Bunch	Present
Councilwoman Combs	Present
Councilman Melton	Present
Councilwoman Purkey	Present

Also present were James Gallup, City Manager; Robert Burts, City Attorney; and Bettina Chandler, City Recorder.

Upon request from Mayor Cain for citizen comments, there were none.

Upon motion of Councilman Melton, seconded by Vice Mayor Bunch, Ordinance 2026-03, an ordinance to levy a tax on all taxable property within the corporate limits of Jefferson City, was approved with a four to one vote on first reading.

James Gallup, City Manager, and Bettina Chandler, City Recorder, reviewed the budgets and fund balances for the General, Sanitation, Street Aid, Drug, and Water Sewer Funds. Mr. Gallup mentioned that there is still a budgetary question that was discussed at the April 21 Work Session should things go awry with the Police Services Agreement with Carson Newman University which could potentially create a budget shortfall for the city and how to recover revenue without reimbursement from the university. Robert Key, Senior Vice President for Financial and University Operations at Carson Newman University, spoke on behalf of the university.

Upon motion of Vice Mayor Bunch, seconded by Councilwoman Combs, Ordinance 2026-04, an ordinance adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, was unanimously approved on first reading.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Mitch Cain, Mayor

Bettina Chandler, City Recorder