



## CITY OF WILLARD

### BOARD OF ALDERS REGULAR MEETING SPECIAL MEETING EDTF

March 04, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Willard City Hall, 224 W. Jackson St., Willard, MO

### MINUTES

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**Staff Present:** City Administrator Wesley Young, City Attorney Holly Dodge, City Clerk Courtney Myers, Planning and Zoning Director Mike Ruesch.

Citizens Present: Terry Katheart, Michael Savage

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and asked the City Clerk to conduct roll call.

#### **ROLL CALL**

City Clerk Courtney Myers conducted the roll call.

Present: Mayor Troy Smith, Casey Biellier, Jeremy Hill, David Keene, Joyce Lancaster and Rachel Mathison

Absent: Carol Wilson

Courtney Myers confirmed that a quorum was present.

#### **2. AGENDA AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to approve the agenda, Motion was made by Alder Keene and seconded by Alder Biellier, Motion carried with a 5-0 vote. Voting Aye: Alders Biellier, Hill, Keene, Lancaster and Mathison

#### **3. DISCUSSION**

##### **A. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (LINDSEY KOLISCH)**

Lindsey Kolisch from Lauber Municipal trained and informed the Board of the Economic Development Financing Tools in Missouri. There are multiple incentive programs for the City and Developers to work together and grow our community.

TIF's – Tax Increment Financing, these include options like (PILOTs) Payments in lieu of taxes (EATs) Economic Activity Taxes. CID – Community Improvement Districts, this incentive is geared towards our Sidewalks, landscaping and site improvements. TDD – Transportation Development Districts, incentives focus on improvements of our roads, shelters, parking lots and transit. NID – Neighborhood Improvement Districts this focuses on streetlights, curbs, sidewalks and public safety.

#### **4. CITY ADMINISTRATOR REMARKS**

City Administrator Wes Young informed the board that after the resignation of the Parks Director, current staff are really stepping up and filling the void. The city has posted the position for the new Director of the Parks, we've had a lot of interested candidates, hoping to have a short list for the Park Board to review. Hoping to get the position filled quickly.

**5. RECESS OPEN SESSION**

Alder Biellier motioned to recess Open Session and enter Closed Session. Motion was seconded by Alder Hill Motion carried with a 5-0 vote. Voting Aye: Alders Biellier, Hill, Keene, Lancaster and Mathison.

Open Session was recessed at 8:10 p.m.

**6. OPEN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO RSMO SECTION 610.021 (1) LEGAL (3) PERSONNEL (13) PERSONNEL 8:15 p.m.**

**7. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

**8. ROLL CALL**

**9. CLOSE THE CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE THE OPEN SESSION**

**10. ADJOURN MEETING**

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Alder Keene and seconded by Alder Hill. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote. Voting Aye: Alders Biellier, Hill, Keene, Lancaster and Mathison.

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Courtney Myers, City Clerk