

## SMITHVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2026, 7:00 p.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers and Via Videoconference

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Boley, present, called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. following the work session. A quorum of the Board was present: Marv Atkins, Kelly Kobylski, Melissa Wilson, Dan Hartman, Leeah Stone and Chelsea Dana.

Staff present: Cynthia Wagner, Gina Pate, Chief Lockridge, Rick Welch, Jack Hendrix, Linda Drummond, Mayra Toothman and Dave Schuerger. Matt Denton was present via Zoom.

City Attorney present: Padraic Corcoran.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance lead by Mayor Boley

### 3. Proclamation – Fair Housing Month

Mayor Boley presented the proclamation for April being the anniversary of the Fair Housing Act of 1968 to area realtors Eric Craig, Andrea Sheridan, Jennifer Justus and Alderman Dan Hartman.



*Figure 1 - Eric Craig, Andrea Sheridan, Jennifer Justus, Dan Hartman and Mayor Boley*

Jennifer Justus, 13317 Mount Olivet Road, thanked the Board for recognizing the importance of fair housing. She noted the value of celebrating fair housing and diverse housing acknowledges that everyone can enjoy a safe home. Ms. Justus explained that housing and safety are foundation to a person's life and that providing safe, inclusive housing helps build a stronger future for the community. She added that she was appreciative of the community's support and commitment.

### 4. Consent Agenda

- March 24, 2026, Board of Aldermen Work Session Minutes
- March 24, 2026, Board of Aldermen Regular Session Minutes
- **Resolution 1568, Nehemiah Festival 2026 Contract**  
A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Grace Community Church for use of Smith's Fork Park to host a music festival.

- **Resolution 1569, Leak Adjustment**  
A Resolution approving a water and wastewater leak adjustment request for Steven Marriott in the amount of \$974.77.
- **Resolution 1570, Leak Adjustment**  
A Resolution approving a water and wastewater leak adjustment request for Dakota Walker in the amount of \$323.56.
- **Resolution 1571, Amending the Employee Compensation Plan**  
A Resolution adopting amendments to the Employee Compensation Plan.
- **Resolution 1572, Missouri Blue Shield Public Safety Accreditation Program**  
A Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to apply for the Missouri Blue Shield Public Safety Accreditation Program.
- **Resolution 1573, Temporary Liquor License**  
A Resolution issuing a Temporary Liquor License to Chop's BBQ and Catering for Smithville Parks and Recreation's Adult Egg Hunt event to be held on Friday, April 10, 2026, at Heritage Park.

Alderman Atkins moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Hartman seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared the consent agenda approved.

## **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **5. City Administrator's Report**

Cynthia Wagner noted that her report stands as provided in the packet. She informed the Board the Missouri Municipal League (MML) Elected Official Training Conference is scheduled for June 11–12 and Board members are encouraged to participate. Those interested should notify Linda, to assist with registration.

Cynthia provided an summary of the March 30 fire at Smithville Plaza.  
[Smithville Plaza Fire After Event Review Memo](#)

Fire Chief Dave Cline explained that the building was constructed in 1983 prior to current fire codes and before the establishment of the Smithville Area Fire Protection District. He noted that the hydrant issue located at Pack's Hardware did not affect the outcome of the fire. The primary factors that worked against the response were a delay in reporting the fire and strong winds. He acknowledged that the Area Fire Protection District and the City staff performed to the best of their ability under difficult circumstances and that problem-solving and flexibility are standard practice in public safety. He noted the impact on the community and affected business owners. He noted that the fire district maintains strong and ongoing communication with the City regarding hydrants and other issues. He described the current working relationship as very good and has improved over the years.

Chief Cline explained that the event began with a 911 call reporting a kitchen fire that was believed to be extinguished, with smoke inside the restaurant. Upon arrival, Chief Cline and the deputy chief immediately observed active flames and heavy smoke coming from the roof and the front of the building, indicating the situation was far more serious than initially

reported. Smoke was pushing through the structure, entry doors were open at the rear of the building, and conditions rapidly worsened. When crews made entry to ensure the building was clear of occupants, ceiling tiles were already collapsing and fire had spread through the attic toward the front of the building. Numerous factors worked against suppression efforts, making it impossible to save the structure despite the response. The building sustained extensive damage and had to be torn down, including removing remaining bricks, to ensure public safety. Although the destruction appeared severe, the priority was protecting firefighters and the public, and that no injuries occurred despite the size of fire present when crews arrived.

The Board thanked Fire Chief Dave Cline and all the area fire districts that came to assist for all their efforts.

## **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

### **6. Bill No. 3109-26, FY2026 Budget Amendment No. 4 – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Alderman Atkins moved to approve Bill No. 3109-26, amending the FY2026 Budget to add \$22,900 to the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund expenditure budget. 1<sup>st</sup> reading by title only. Alderman Hartman seconded the motion.

No discussion

Upon roll call vote:

Alderman Dana - Aye, Alderman Hartman - Aye, Alderman Atkins – Aye,  
Alderman Stone - Aye, Alderman Kobylski – Aye, Alderman Wilson – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 3109-26 approved for first reading.

Alderman Atkins moved to approve Bill No. 3109-26, amending the FY2026 Budget to add \$22,900 to the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund expenditure budget. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading by title only. Alderman Hartman seconded the motion.

No discussion

Upon roll call vote:

Alderman Atkins - Aye, Alderman Wilson - Aye, Alderman Kobylski – Aye,  
Alderman Hartman - Aye, Alderman Stone – Aye, Alderman Dana – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 3109-26 approved.

### **7. Resolution 1574, Award Bid No. 26-04, Forest Oaks Improvement Project**

Alderman Atkins moved to approve Resolution 1574, awarding Bid No. 26-04, Forest Oaks Improvement Project and 176th Street improvements to Asphaltic Surfaces in the amount of \$ 594,250.50, authorizing a force account in the amount of \$100,000, and authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with Asphaltic Surfaces. Alderman Hartman seconded the motion.

No discussion

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 1574 approved.

**8. Resolution 1575, Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with GBA**

Alderman Atkins moved to approve Resolution 1575, approving Supplemental Agreement No.1 with George Butler Associates, Inc. (GBA) for engineering services for the Riverwalk Trail and Second Creek Pedestrian Improvement projects. Alderman Hartman seconded the motion.

No discussion

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 1575 approved.

**9. Resolution 1576, Purchase of Body-Worn Video Equipment**

Alderman Atkins moved to approve Resolution 1576, authorizing the expenditure of funds for the purchase of body-worn video equipment for the Smithville Police Department, for an amount not to exceed \$60,000. Alderman Hartman seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 1576 approved.

**OTHER MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD**

**10. Public Comment**

None.

**11. New Business from the Floor**

None.

**12. Adjournment to Executive Session Pursuant to Section 610.021(3,12&13)RSMo.**

Alderman Hartman moved to adjourn to executive Session Pursuant to Section 610.021(3,12&13)RSMo. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion.

Upon roll call vote:

Alderman Hartman – Aye, Alderman Kobylski – Aye, Alderman Dana – Aye,  
Alderman Wilson – Aye, Alderman Stone – Aye, Alderman Atkins – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared the Regular Session adjourned to the Executive Session at 7:31 p.m.

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Linda Drummond, City Clerk

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Damien Boley, Mayor