

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING Portageville City Hall May 8, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the City of Portageville Board of Aldermen was held on Thursday, May 8, 2025, at City Hall, 301 E Main St. Mayor Cook called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present

Alderman McCrate
Alderman Faulk
Alderman Simmons
Alderman Smith

Council Members Absent

Following roll call, the City Clerk reported that a quorum was present.

Also present were:

Rachel Wrather, City Clerk
Freddie Hill
Al DeLisle
George DeLisle
Linda Sweatt

Carol Bowden
Sarah Williams
Martha LeSieur
Brandon Hanner

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Alderman McCrate, seconded by Alderman Faulk and unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as submitted.

ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICE DEPT.- NIGHT DISPATCH

Mayor Cook asked Interim Police Chief Freddie Hill if he would like to speak about the night dispatch. Hill stated that two dispatchers had turned in their resignation leaving only one day dispatcher and one night dispatcher. Hill stated he would like to bring the remaining night dispatcher to days and allow New Madrid County Emergency Communications Center to take over dispatching from 12:00 a.m. to

8:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, and then all weekend (Saturday and Sunday) until 8:00 a.m. on Monday morning, Discussion followed. Brandon Hanner with New Madrid County Emergency Communications was present. Hanner stated that he would research moving ISOMS from Pemiscot servers to New Madrid County servers to share information. George DeLisle, Fire Chief, stated that since the City would be saving money, he would like to see computers placed in Police and Fire vehicles. Alderman McCrate advised waiting until the savings came through but mentioned that checking with Missouri Surplus might be beneficial for those type of items. Mayor Cook asked for a motion to draft a Memorandum of Understanding allowing night and weekend dispatch to be sent to New Madrid County. Motion was made by Alderman Faulk. Alderman McCrate seconded. All members voted in favor.

Chief Hill brought up the promotions of Officer Lisa Hill and Officer Cody Chandler from Patrol to Sergeant. Discussion followed. The issue was tabled until June 2, 2025. Alderman Faulk asked Chief Hill to provide a list of all officers with the years of service as a Police Officer to the City of Portageville and their years of service as a Police Officer overall.

Chief Hill stated that the Housing Authority had asked that a "Handicap Child At Play" sign be placed on Huffman Avenue between the 1st and 3rd Drive. The issue will be placed on the agenda for the June 2, 2025 meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next regularly schedule Monthly Meeting will be held on Monday, June 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 301 E Main, Portageville.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, moved by Alderman McCrate, seconded by Alderman Faulk and unanimously carried, to adjourn at 5:32 p.m.



Rachel Wrather
City Clerk



Michael Cook Jr.
Mayor

