

City of Belleville
City Council Meeting
Monday, February 9, 2026
City Council Meeting Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, February 9th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Belleville Council Meeting Room. The Governing Body met at 6:00 p.m. for a planning session to hear information from Pool Manager Pam McGregor and also reviewed the City's organizational chart.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor James Doyle called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Rick Snodgrass offered the opening prayer. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

ATTENDANCE:

Council members present: Andrew Bates, Dianne Kramer, Doane Sells, Will Boman, Mike Palmquist and Diane Boman.

City Staff present: City Manager Adam Anderson, City Clerk Russ Piroutek and City Attorney Julie Effenbeck.

Others present: Fred Arnold, Rick Snodgrass, Pam McGregor, Chris Springer, and Hans Hansen.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 26th, 2026, Council Meeting. Diane Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the bills and their disbursements. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rick Snodgrass commented on an alley behind the Assembly of God Church.

NEW BUSINESS:

Information regarding the Belleville Cemetery was presented by City Manager Anderson. The electronic mapping system, which is available to the public, was shown. It was felt that promoting the software to the public would be beneficial to help locate different lots. City Attorney Effenbeck commented on the repairs made to individual monuments and other liability concerns at the cemetery. An agreement with wording stating the owners of the monuments are responsible for repairs will be drawn up. Other items discussed were lighting of the flag poles and planting trees.

Andrew Bates made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-005, declaring the property at 1427 S Street a nuisance. Diane Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Council spent some time discussing the nuisance program, unsafe structures and moving forward with addressing more properties that appear to be in violation. The owner of the property at 1427 S Street, George Massela, then addressed the Governing Body, stating his “case” that his property is not a nuisance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to go into executive session to discuss acquisition of real estate, with the Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk, and return to the Council room at 7:50 p.m. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Governing Body left for executive session at 7:43 p.m. The Council returned at 7:50 p.m. No action was taken.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Andrew Bates wanted to see the City be more consistent with nuisance violations. He also thanked Pam for coming to the meeting.

Doane Sells commented on Community Empowerment activities.

Will Boman asked about replacing a police vehicle.

Diane Boman thanked Molly Williams and Molly Spring on their activities with the Belleville Chamber and Republic County Community Foundation.

Mayor Doyle gave an update on the most recent Economic Development Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Mike Palmquist made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Russell Piroutek
City Clerk