

City of St. John
Council Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2026

1. Call to order

Mayor Bobby Stimatze called to order the regular meeting of the St. John City Council at 7:00 PM on February 3, 2026, at City Hall. The following council members were present: Aaron Gleason, Mark Bryant, Nita Keenan, Aaron Raines, and Kyle Bunker.

City Personnel: Curtis Smith, Jason Wyatt, Mike Sanders, and Pam Watson.

City Attorney: Daniel Lynch.

Attendance: None.

2. Additions to the Agenda

- a) Council President Election

Gleason moved to add the council president election to the new business. Raines seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

3. Citizen Comments - None

4. Consent Agenda

- a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes – January 20, 2026

Bryant moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2026. Raines seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Appropriation Ordinance #123125AP3 - \$6,838.74

Raines moved to approve the appropriation ordinance #123125AP3 in the amount of \$6,838.74. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Appropriation Ordinance #020326AP - \$100,590.08

Raines moved to approve the appropriation ordinance #020326AP in the amount of \$100,590.08. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

5. Committee & Department Head Reports

- a) Electric Supervisor – None
- b) Water/Sewer Supervisor – Wyatt updates the council regarding the water well testing with Ned Mark. Ned is three weeks out.
- c) Street/Park Supervisor – Council discussed with Wyatt and Watson regarding the sign by old Highway 50. The sign was removed due to future charges to the city.
- d) Police Department – Council asked for an update on the hiring process. Sanders informed the council about the potential candidate.
- e) Fire Chief – None
- f) City Clerk – Council discussed the removal of the stained glass windows at the old Methodist church for the Lucille Hall Museum with Watson. She is to send the museum board a list of registered contractors to remove the windows.
- g) Attorney – Updates the council about the covers that Mr. Wentz wants out of the Methodist church. He could not get in touch with him. He will keep trying.

6. Old Business

- a) 5th Street Road by White's Foodliner – Final paperwork to close out this project is being prepared. There were discussions regarding the drainage West of Danny Smith's property. A deeper trench needed to be dug for better drainage.

- b) Fountain – No Update.
- c) Water Well Testing – See discussion under Water/Sewer Supervisor session.
- d) Port Authority – The potential new business backed out of the deal, and no other business is interested at this time. Greg is still working on presenting you with the plan, so we have it in place in case there are future developments in that area.
- e) Extension of Sewer and Water mains on West Street – EBH is preparing the paperwork to be submitted for approval from KDHE.
- f) KP&F and KPERS Plan – The council discussed the KPERS time conversion to KP&F. It is the consensus of the council to revisit later on in the year to see where the budget is at before the deadline in October.
- g) Swimming Pool – Discussion regarding forming a committee to get inputs for this project.

7. New Business

- a) Mosquito Spray – Clerk presented the council with the quote from Van Diest to replace the current mosquito spray. The current machine fails the droplet test, and the parts needed to fix the issue are no longer available for purchase. The GPS radar system was also discussed.

Gleason moved to approve the quote from Van Diest. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Water Meters Purchase – Wyatt asked for approval to purchase water meters. The budget is set for \$5,000.00 for this purchase.

Gleason moved to approve the purchase of water meters not to exceed \$5,000.00 per budget. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Council President Election – Watson asked for a nominee for the president of the council position. Mark Bryant was nominated.

Bunker moved to elect Mark Bryant as the president of the council. Raines seconded. The motion carried 4-1. Bryant abstained.

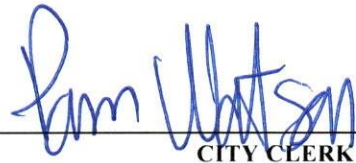
8. Adjournment

- a) The next regular council meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the St. John City Hall.

Gleason moved to adjourn the regular council meeting. Keenan seconded. The motion carried 5-0.



MAYOR



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