

# Minutes

## Seymour Common Council

March 23, 2026

The March 23, 2026, Seymour City Council was called to order by Mayor Matt Nicholson at 7:00pm. The invocation was given by Rev. Thomas Clark, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A virtual/steaming option was available.

**Members Present:** Mayor Matt Nicholson, Clerk/Treasurer Darrin Boas, Jerry Hackney, Mark Maxie, Seth Davidson, Brad Lucas, Danielle Long, Denny Frey, City Attorney Chris Engleking, the Parkers, Fred and Sally Vogel, Police Chief Greg O'Brien, DPW Director Alan Axsom, Parks Director Chad Keithley, ERC Chad Dixon, Dr. Calhoun, Jim Plump, Fire Chief Eric Roll, Mayor Admin Jane Hayes, Thomas Franke, Jeff Ganadan, Kevin Johnson, and Damon Atkins.

On a motion by Councilman Hackney, seconded by Councilman Lucas, the minutes from the 3/9/26 meeting were approved.

### Reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions:

- On a motion by Councilman Davidson, Seconded by Councilman Lucas, Mr. Davidson presented the following statements of benefits:
  - o Dickson's, INC 709 B Ave East (1 personal property) represented by Thomas Franke
  - o Templeton Commercial Properties. LLC, 2025 First Ave. (1 Real Estate) represented by Thomas Franke
  - o Martin City Safety Storage LLC., 6013 Elsner Dr. (2 Real Estate) represented by Jeff Ganaden
  - o Crossroads Village LP, 500 S. Poplar (1 Real Estate) represented by Kevin Johnson
  - o Silgan Plastics Corporation, 3779 N. Co. Rd. 850E. (2 personal property) represented by Damon Atkins.
- A couple of comments were made, 1 regarding this being the final year on one of the Martin City Real Estate abatements, and Mr. Frey noticing the date was not completed for tax year/pay year which was corrected at the meeting. Jim Plump covered the highlights on all abatements. On a motion by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Lucas, the Statements of Benefits were all accepted.
- Councilman Lucas shared the Governmental Affairs committee had met on 3/12 to discuss the Public Records ordinance that will be brought up in new business.

### Public Hearing:

- None

### Old Business:

- Councilman Long introduced Ordinance No. 4, Council Bill No. 6 (2026), seconded by Councilman Hackney for second reading, an ordinance amending Chapter 75 Schedule of the Seymour City Code for No Parking on Brown Street. Mrs. Long spoke on behalf of the committee, recommending no parking, as requested by Schneck, from South Walnut Street to South Pine St. On a motion by Mrs. Long, seconded by Mr. Hackney, the ordinance passed second reading 6-0-1.
- Councilman Hackney introduced Ordinance No. 7, Council Bill No. 6 (2026), seconded by Councilman Long for second reading, an ordinance to add additional appropriations to the Parks Department Concessions and Payroll. This for part-time labor and product to run the park concession stands as their operations have been moved in house this year. On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Long, the ordinance passed second reading 6-0-1.
- Councilman Hackney introduced Ordinance No. 8, Council Bill No. 10 (2026), seconded by Councilman Maxie of second reading, an ordinance amending the 2026 Salary Ordinance of Certain City Employees (amending 2025 Ordinance No. 23, Council Bill No. 45), an ordinance to add additional appropriations to the Parks Department Temp Labor line 116 in the Salary ordinance in the amount of an additional \$90,000. This is for part-time labor running the park concession stands as their operations have been moved in house this year. On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mrs. Long, the ordinance passed second reading 6-0-1.

#### **New Business**

- Councilman Lucas introduced Ordinance No. 5, Council Bill No. 7(2026), seconded by Councilman Long, and ordinance to Prohibit Unlawful Use of Public Records for Commercial purposes. Clerk Treasurer Boas shared the type of requests this ordinance will deny, ones that are looking for years of data for things such as Purchase Orders/history, employee information exceeding what is provided in the 100 R report on Gateway, and just data requests from companies that are collecting data for resale purposes. All questionable requests will be funneled through the City Attorney for evaluation. On a motion by Mr. Lucas, seconded by Councilman Frey, the ordinance passed first reading 6-0-1.

#### **Miscellaneous Business**

- The Mayor shared the DPW and Jackson County Recycles presents Tire Amnesty Day 4/4/26, from 8am to noon. They will accept passenger car and light truck tires. No race car tires!
- The Mayor shared the Good Friday Prayer Breakfast at the Pines, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7am. See Jane to make reservations, as they must be in by this Thursday.
- The Mayor shared the Parks 5 year Master Plan meeting at Gaiser Park Shelter house from 6 to 8 pm this Thursday.
- The Mayor shared Makle Seymour Shine week April 13<sup>th</sup> through April 17<sup>th</sup>.
- The Mayor assigned Councilman Maxie an issue for the Planning and Zoning committee to look at RV's in Driveways.

On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Lucas, the meeting was properly adjourned.

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Matt Nicholson, Mayor

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Attest: Darrin Boas, Clerk/ Treasurer