

City of Martinsville

Minutes – **Special Meeting**
Wednesday, June 4th, 2025

Alderman Roll Call:
Chris Davidson
Harley Craig
Travis Hill
Chris Perry
Ashley Wilhoit

Attendance: Bob Lovell-Mayor, Terri Connelly-Treasurer, Caitlin Dill-City Clerk, Dan Kibler-Marshall Advocate, Dallas Richardson, and Kevin Williams.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Lovell at 7 PM.

Prayer: Bob Lovell

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Public Comments:

Dan Kibler wanted to say a huge thank you to all, he says it has been great working with the City and council while he has been employed by the newspaper. Moving forward he is taking courses on project managing, grant writing and grant management.

--Motion by H Craig, 2nd by C Perry, to approve the previous meeting minutes for 5/14/2025 Budget & Finance Committee Meeting and 5/14/2025 Council Meeting.

Record Vote:

Davidson	Yes		
Perry	Yes	Hill	Yes
Craig	Yes	Wilhoit	Yes
Mayor			

Motion carried.

--Motion by C Davidson, 2nd by A Wilhoit, to approve the Bill list presented.

Record Vote:

Davidson	Yes		
Perry	Yes	Hill	Yes
Craig	Yes	Wilhoit	Yes
Mayor			

Motion carried.

--Motion by H Craig, 2nd by T Hill, to approve Funeral Home Sidewalk Bid.

--Saluki Consulting did the railing work for Cutting Edge and Connelly's Locker. The time frame is to start on 6/16/25 and be completed by 8/17/25. This project would involve 4 handicap ramps plus 40 feet on all 4 corners of Washington Street and Vine Street. The current funeral home ramp and black fencing are not being removed or replaced. The funeral home plans to sandblast and repaint the current fencing. The funds for this project are in the appropriations list, partial funding is coming from reserves specified for only residential sidewalk use.

Record Vote:

Davidson	Abstain		
Perry	Yes	Hill	Yes
Craig	Yes	Wilhoit	Yes
Mayor			

Motion carried.

--Consideration to approve 2026 Appropriations Ordinance NO. 2025-6-1.

--The auditors noticed in years past certain funds were located under differing categories, that were titles but weren't actual funds. To clear up any confusion the new report has been adjusted and consolidated to ensure each entry is under the actual department it reports to. Consideration on adjusting the Franchise entry or creating a new entry specifically for purchasing/demolishing properties. The pay for City Collector has been adjusted to be divided up in the 4 departments the position supports instead of the previous Admin fund. Council will review and vote on the 6/11/2025 meeting.

--Motion by C Davidson, 2nd by H Craig, to hire Summer help.

Record Vote:

Davidson	Yes	Hill	Yes
Perry	Yes	Wilhoit	Yes
Craig	Yes		
Mayor			

Motion carried.

OTHER:

Mayor:

- Attended a presentation for Central Illinois Land Bank Authority. They acquire properties for municipalities and refurbish them. There is an annual cost to be apart of this program. There will be a meeting set up for a representative to speak with the council to hear the benefits of this program.
- Attended a TIF District webinar which was very informative.
- Dallas submitted an IDOT grant for two locations on our behalf last week, one for a new bridge on Jefferson Street and the other for pavement work on York Street. Results for this submission should be back by July.

Davidson:

- Questioned where the sidewalk project will begin. It will start by Dollar General, next location on Mill Street by Linn Park, and then work down Grant Street.

Craig:

- The male and female who represented Entrust solar company are under indictment from a past employer. The other organization in town that was to do business with them has since ceased.

Perry:

- Inquired about an update for installing more outlets down town. The Mayor spoke to the electrician who said this can be done easily.

--Motion by C Perry, 2nd by C Davidson, to close the meeting.

Record Vote:

Davidson	Yes		
Perry	Yes	Hill	Yes
Craig	Yes	Wilhoit	Yes
Mayor			

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:54 PM.

Caitlin Dill, City Clerk