

City Meeting Of August 18, 2026

Mayor Shaw called the meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman to order at 6:33 p.m., Tuesday, August 18, 2026. The meeting was held at City Hall.

Invocation

Bro. Dan Russell offered invocation. Mayor Shaw led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Shaw, Alderman Gregory, Alderman Martin, Vice Mayor Gilmore, Alderman Senft, Kelly Rider, City Recorder, Attorney Russell Freeman

Absent:

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of July 21, 2026, 6:30 p.m. meeting were presented for approval or corrections.

Motion made by: Vice Mayor Gilmore

Second: Alderman Gregory

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

Citizens Comments

John Neely

Mitch Glanzbergh

Brent Martin

Dan Russell

Kathy Meredith

Tony Reasoner

Mike Deweese

Commissioners & Department Reports

Finance and Administration:

Mayor Shaw reported that audit procedures began on Monday, and we anticipate the final report at the October meeting.

Public Works and Streets:

Mayor Shaw reported there were approximately 30 streetlight outages reported this month and the majority have been repaired as of today.

Parks and Recreation:

Vice Mayor Gilmore reported a new fence was installed along the drive at Ridgetop Station Park.

Vice Mayor Gilmore stated he is going to have Clint Hobson come in and trim down the inside trail so that the fire truck can come through without hitting any limbs or branches.

Vice Mayor Gilmore reported there is a new fence being installed along the backside of Pioneer Park around the Pickleball Court to the Basketball Court, it was taken down during the construction of the restrooms and is now being reinstalled.

Vice Mayor Gilmore reported the city will be participating in Experiencing Robertson County and will showcase all the new improvements at Pioneer Park on September 12, 2026. He stated there will be a food truck and the pickleball court should be completed and ready for use on the day of event.

Planning and Zoning and Codes Administration:

Alderman Senft reported in the last 60 days there has been one home permit, two mechanical permits, a room addition permit and an accessory building permit.

Alderman Senft reported the Zoning Appeals Board met to hear a variance and major home occupation request and elected officers.

Community and Economic Development:

Alderman Martin shared she has been diagnosed the Alzheimer gene and with early stages of Alzheimer's but will be able to fulfill her obligation to the city as Alderman until the next election of her term, however, she will not be able to take anything else on.

Utilities:

Mayor Shaw reported that the gas department completed eighteen 811 locate tickets, 7 service orders, covering maintenance, troubleshooting, customer service calls, performed multiple service disconnects and reconnects to meet customer and operational needs, conducted the weekly odorization test to verify proper odorant levels throughout the Natural Gas System, and performed daily inspections of the gate station to ensure safe and reliable operation.

Mayor Shaw reported that the sewer department completed eighteen 811 locate tickets, completed 7 service orders, conducted, carried out multiple service disconnects and reconnects within the system and checked sewer building daily at Lake Rd and Hwy 41.

Fire and Police:

Alderman Gregory reported a total of 40 calls this month. There were 24 calls inside the city limits, 16 calls outside city limits and 7 mutual aid calls.

Business Reports:

City Recorder:

No report.

Attorney Freeman:

Attorney Freeman reported he has prepared and completed the annual request from Crosslin for the audit.

Attorney Freeman stated he hasn't heard anything else back from L & G Construction since the email stating they would get back to him.

Mayor Comments:

No comment.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Sewer Rate Study

Buddy Petty with Rate Studies gave a wastewater rate study report of the Ridgetop Sewer System.

Alderman Gregory made the motion to bring an ordinance forward to include a rate increase of 15%. Alderman Senft seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

Consideration of hiring Jafar Ware to the position of city planner

Alderman Senft made the motion to approve the hiring of Jafar Ware in the amount of \$22.00 per hour for the position of city planner upon a consultant agreement. Alderman Gregory seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

*Consideration of approval of Robertson County
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) 2027-2028*

Alderman Gregory made the motion to approve the Robertson County Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) 2027-2028 in the amount of \$202,779.75. Alderman Senft seconded.

Mayor Shaw...yes

Vice Mayor Gilmore...no

Alderman Senft...yes
Alderman Gregory...yes
Alderman Martin...no

Motion Carried.

Discuss Charter Changes

Gary Jaekel with MTAS presented information that should be changed in the charter.

Resolution 26-08, A Resolution to authorize a political subdivision's participation in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapters 34-37

Alderman Martin made the motion to defer Resolution 26-08, A Resolution to authorize a political subdivision's participation in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapters 34-37 until February 16, 2027. Vice Mayor Gilmore seconded.

Alderman Martin...yes
Vice Mayor Gilmore...yes
Mayor Shaw...no
Alderman Senft...no
Alderman Gregory...no
Motion Failed.

Alderman Gregory made the motion to defer Resolution 26-08, A Resolution to authorize a political subdivision's participation in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapters 34-37, Resolution 26-09, A Resolution adopting a 401 (k) defined contribution plan, funded by employee deferrals, and Resolution 26-10, A Resolution adopting a 457 (b) Employees deferred compensation plan, funded by employee deferrals. Alderman Senft seconded.

Alderman Martin...no
Vice Mayor Gilmore...yes
Mayor Shaw...yes
Alderman Senft...yes
Alderman Gregory...yes
Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for concrete repairs and additions at Pioneer Park and Ridgetop Station Park

Alderman Senft made the motion to defer the concrete repairs and additions bid advertisement at Pioneer Park and Ridgetop Station Park. Alderman Gregory seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

Information on grants for Tornado Warning Alarms

Alderman Senft gave information about Tornado Warning Alarms. He stated grant opportunities are available and maybe something the city could pursue.

Add to Agenda

Resolution 26-11, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the TN Department of Tourism Development FY27 Tourism Enhancement Grant, 26-12, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance & Improvements Grant, 26-13, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop to Participate in the Pool "Safety Partners" Loss Control Matching Safety Grant Program

Mayor Shaw made the motion to add Resolution 26-11, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the TN Department of Tourism Development FY27 Tourism Enhancement Grant, Resolution 26-12, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance & Improvements Grant, Resolution 26-13, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop to Participate in the Pool "Safety Partners" Loss Control Matching Safety Grant Program to the agenda. Alderman Gregory seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

Resolution 26-11, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the TN Department of Tourism Development FY27 Tourism Enhancement Grant

Mayor Shaw made the motion to approve Resolution 26-11, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the TN Department of Tourism Development FY27 Tourism Enhancement Grant as amended removing all ADA references. Alderman Senft seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

Resolution 26-12, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance & Improvements Grant

Mayor Shaw made the motion to approve Resolution 26-12, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop submission to the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance & Improvements Grant. Alderman Gregory seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

Resolution 26-13, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop to Participate in the Pool "Safety Partners" Loss Control Matching Safety Grant Program

Mayor Shaw made the motion to approve Resolution 26-13, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Ridgetop to Participate in the Pool "Safety Partners" Loss Control Matching Safety Grant Program. Alderman Gregory seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, Vice Mayor Gilmore moved for adjournment. Alderman Martin seconded.

Voting Aye: All

Voting No: None

Motion Carried.

Mayor Tim Shaw

Kelly Rider, City Recorder