

Paris City Commission
525 High Street Paris, KY 40361
Commission Chambers – Room 121
Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. viewable on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/@CityofParisKY> on February 10, 2026.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Plummer called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor, John Plummer; Commissioner, Wallis Brooks; Commissioner, Tim Gray; Commissioner, Sharon Fields; Commissioner, Stan Galbraith.

Others in attendance: City Manager, Matt Belcher; City Attorney, Bryan Beaman; Finance Director, Brad Oberlander; City Clerk & Treasurer, Stephanie Settles.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Gray, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried to approve January 13, 2026 minutes as presented.

SPECIAL PRESENATIONS

Jim and Mary Lovell presented the 2026 Storytelling Festival program, scheduled for May 8–10, celebrating the festival’s 10th anniversary. This year’s event will feature six storytellers. They are requesting a contribution of \$5,000 to support the festival.

ORDINANCES

Motion: Move to approve Ordinance 2026-1 related to Net Energy Metering.

By: Plummer
Seconded: Fields

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Galbraith
No: None
Abstain: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Stan, the motion unanimously carried approving municipal order 2026-18 for the reappointment of Wayne West to the Paris-Bourbon County Board of Adjustments for a term ending on January 24, 2029.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2026-4; appointing ABC Deputies.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving Resolution 2026-3 approving authorized bank signatories for the City of Paris.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving a lease agreement with Leaf for 3 Canon copiers in the amount of \$519.52 for 63 months. Authorize the City Attorney to review and negotiate terms of the lease agreement, and further authorize the Mayor, City Manager, or City Clerk to execute the agreement.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving the surplus of miscellaneous items for sale, recycling, or scrap and authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Manager to execute any necessary documents.

ITEM:	QNTY:	OBTAINED THROUGH:	ID #:	DISPOSAL METHO
1997 Jeep Cherokee	1	unknown	1J4FJ27S5UL5499459	Sold by Auction
2004 Chevy Impala	1	unknown	2g1wf55k149394063	Sold by Auction
2006 Chevy 2500	1	Dan Cummins	1gchk24686e199719	Sold by Auction

ITEM:	QNTY:	OBTAINED THROUGH:	ID #:	DISPOSAL METHO
2 yd roller dumpsters	3	unknown	n/a	Disposal

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving the payment of invoices for the period January 3 through January 16, 2026, totaling \$381,755.15 for the General Fund and \$610,656.33 for the Utility Fund.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried authorizing the Mayor to sign a proclamation proclaiming Family Resource and Youth Services week from February 9th through February 13th 2026.

REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Gray, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving Resolution 2026-1, establishing a bank account for State Asset Forfeiture funds.

Motion by Gray, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving Resolution 2026-2; Establishing a Evidence Funds bank account.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving the Mayor to sign Task Order 26-01 with Strand Associates, Inc., pertaining to the Fords Mill Road Wastewater Project.

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving Move to approve financial reports as presented reflecting general fund revenues of \$6,882,633 with expenses of \$6,544,982 and utility fund revenues of \$8,107,019 with expenses of \$7,513,258.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving financial reports as presented reflecting general fund revenues of \$6,286,664 with expenses of \$5,136,489 and utility fund revenues of \$6,767,904 with expenses of \$6,181,916.

REPORTS

Vanessa Logan, Westside Neighborhood Association

- Invited everyone to participate in the Black History Month Celebrations.

Mike Smith, Public Works Superintendent

- Stated that in the recent snow storm the city used 280 ton of salt, used more than the prior year with all weather storms combined.

Josh Hurst, Fire Chief

- Announced the retirement of Cody Hensley and Branson Eubank effective January 28, 2026.

Brad Oberlander, CPA

- Audit is in process, the audit is anticipated to be submitted to the City Commission at the first meeting of March.
- Introduced Jeremiah Osborne as the new Finance Coordinator.

Tim Gray, Commissioner

- Extended congratulations to Merissa Williamson for achieving a Bachelors Political Science Degree.

City Manager, Matt Belcher

- Lunch and Learn budget process for department supervisors is scheduled for Friday the 13th at 11:30 a.m.
- Will be emailing the commission to schedule budget workshops for March.

John A. Plummer, Mayor

- Extended his appreciation to all city staff for their dedication to the city during the inclement weather conditions.

Wallis Brooks, Commissioner

- Expressed his appreciation to city staff for the sympathy card for the passing of his brother.

Sharon Fields, Commissioner

- Requested that the City pursue opportunities to facilitate the development of assisted living facilities in Paris.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Galbraith, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m.