

Paris City Commission
525 High Street Paris, KY 40361
Commission Chambers – Room 121
Meeting Minutes
March 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 Tuesday, March 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 Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried to approve March 10, 2026, minutes as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2026-32 for the full-time rehire of Keith Kelley to the position of Field Operations Crew Leader, pay scale O7-4.

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving designating two vehicles and other equipment from the Fire Department as surplus property. Further move to authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Manager to execute any necessary documents.

2013 Dodge Charger VIN: 2C3CDXAG4EH183612
1987 AM Hummer Serial Number: 03V164
1950-1959 John Deere Model A Tractor

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving the payment of invoices for the period February 14 through March 6, 2026, totaling \$326,904.90 for the General Fund and \$342,046.57 for the Utility Fund.

REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2026-29 Phase II of the Fire Department Standard Operating Procedure Manual updates as presented.

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried, approving Resolution 2026-4 authorizing the Mayor, City Manager and City Clerk to sign supplemental agreement No.1 with the Transportation Cabinet for a sidewalk project funded by the Safe Routes to School and Transportation Alternative Program.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2026-30 authorizing the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute a modified agreement with GRW to provide services related to a sidewalk project funded through Safe Routes to School Transportation Alternatives Program.

Motion by Gray, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2026-31 for the full-time hire of Mark Burden to the position of Police Chief, pay scale P15-15.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Gray, the motion unanimously carried approving the purchase of 4 police vehicles from Bachman Auto in the amount of \$229,826, unfitting in the amount of \$71,528 to Ridgnet, and 4 mobile radios for all 4 vehicles \$6,012.84. Further authorize the Mayor, City Manager or City Clerk to execute any necessary documents.

Designated Government Parking Request will be discussed a future meeting. No action was taken.

Motion by Fields, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried approving Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney attorneys to file an eminent domain petition for a utility easement for an unaddressed/unnumbered property on Georgetown Road and pursue securing of a utility easement.

REPORTS

Betty Ann Allen, Tourism

- The Paris Three event was successful.
- The America 250th meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 4:00 PM at Legion Park. This is expected to be the final

meeting, as the calendar has been set.

- Articles featuring the Art Walk and Disc Golf have been published in the local newspaper.
- The Love Lock Gate in the Eiffel Tower parking lot is expected to be ready in time for the Art Walk.
- The Chamber's "Best of Bourbon County" awards event was very successful.

Mike Smith, Public Works

- A new cooling tower has been installed at City Hall; project completion is expected soon.

Tim Gray, Commissioner

- Discussed traffic concerns at Ford's Mill Road.
- Noted the presence of a green turn signal for Walgreens, while similar accommodations are not available for residents within a quarter-mile radius.

Stan Galbraith, Commissioner

- Upgrades to the water plant are ongoing.
- One high-service pump has been installed; additional pumps are pending delivery.

Sam Harney, Field Operations

- Service cutoffs for Kentucky American Water began today.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Galbraith, the motion unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 a.m.