

City of Paden City

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The Paden City Common Council met in regular session on Monday, July 6, 2026 at 7:00pm in the council chambers of the Municipal Building with Mayor Clyde Hochstrasser presiding

PRAYER led by Mike Turner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OATH OF OFFICE: Mayor Clyde Hochstrasser, Council members Linda Duke and Lindsay Morrison-Wright

ROLL CALL: The following council members were present: Lindsay Morrison-Wright, Mike Turner, Ken Stead, Linda Duke and Jon Baker. Also present was Mayor Clyde Hochstrasser, Attorney Carolyn Flannery, and Recorder Penny Baker.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 1, 2026 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND SPECIAL MEETING ON JUNE 10, 2026. Motion by Ken Stead, second by Mike Turner, all in favor.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: none

MAYORS COMMENTS: The mayor welcomed the new council members.

COMMITTEES

FINANCE: Approve all bills for payment. Motion by Mike Turner, second by Ken Stead, all in favor.

Budget revisions for carryover balances for Coal Severance and General Fund

Coal Severance: carryover balance is \$30, not \$1500 as projected. Motion by Mike Turner, second by Linda Duke to cut all expenditure accounts evenly. Streets, Parks, and Library all cut by \$490, all in favor.

General Fund: carryover balance is \$364,920, not \$200,000 as projected. Motion by Ken Stead, second by Lindsay Morrison-Wright to make the following changes to the budget: Contingencies – add \$103,842; Police – add \$9,989 for health insurance; Fire Hydrants – add \$10,276; Streets – add \$40,413; Senior Citizens – add \$400. All in favor.

WATER, STREETS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT: no report

WATER: Water project discussion. Discussion about the next phase of the water project. According to the state, the city has a 98% water loss. We have no way to track usage since we don't have meters and this will cause a problem with getting grant money for the project. The mayor will be meeting with Thrasher within the next couple weeks to choose the next section of town for the project. Old cast iron lines will be the priority.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: The demolition permits that were issued this year have expired. They will need to be renewed if they have not finished the demo.

STREETS: Discussion and possible action on street paving and/or repairs. Motion by Mike Turner, second by Lindsay Morrison-Wright to get quotes on paving the following streets: Main St from 1st Avenue to the park, N. 6th Avenue from Main to Boston, E. Tyler Street, E. Harrison Street, Sturgeon Alley from Rural to Pollock. All in favor. The superintendent will also include all areas that need patched from water and sewer line repairs. Parking spaces will be painted on Main Street from 4th Avenue to 3rd Avenue.

SEWER: Sewer project discussion. The project is currently ahead of schedule.

STORM SEWER: Broadway-redirecting water off of private property, rebuilding a catch basin, moving a water line, and capping off the pipe under the house. Hoping to finish up soon.

POLICE: Report for June is attached.

FIRE: Report for May attached.

PARK AND POOL: Pool is open!

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Update on electronic digital sign. The mayor plans on hooking up the internet to the sign this week.

NEW BUSINESS:

Reappoint Joanna Casto to the Library Board, motion by Jon Baker, second by Ken Stead, all in favor.

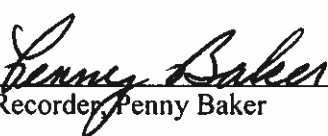
Accept resignation of Ben Anderson as councilman, motion by Jon Baker, second by Linda Duke, all in favor. The mayor has one name of someone interested in being appointed to the position. Council is welcome to bring other names to the August meeting.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:

August 3, 2026 @ 7pm in the Jesse Brown Hall of the Cornerstone Building at 201 N. 4th Avenue

ADJOURNMENT motion by Jon Baker, second by Mike Turner to adjourn at 8:07pm

Signed: 
Mayor, Clyde Hochstrasser

Attest: 
Recorder, Penny Baker