

City of Paden City

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Paden City, WV 26159

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The Paden City Common Council met in regular session on Monday, August 3, 2026 at 7:00pm in the Jesse Brown Hall of the Cornerstone Building with Mayor Clyde Hochstrasser presiding.

PRAYER led by Mike Turner

APPOINT AND SWEAR IN 3RD WARD COUNCIL MEMBER motion by Lindsay Morrison-Wright, second by Jon Baker to appoint Kimberly Frum to the open seat. 5-0 in favor. Mayor Hochstrasser administered the oath of office.

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JULY 6, 2026 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING motion by Lindsay Morrison-Wright, second by Linda Duke, 6-0 in favor.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Steven Smith, WV Delegate, introduced himself and spoke about his goals to help Wetzel, Tyler, and Doddridge Counties.

Joy Musgrave, teacher at PCES, spoke about approving the relationship with the community and invited council and the mayor to the school's activities.

Susan Wade/BB Smith – gave an update on the 78th Annual Labor Day Celebration. They are still in need of someone to help with the parade.

Kayla Shieler, lives on S. 4th Avenue, beside the creek that runs from Lemon Alley to 1st Avenue. Debris collection along the creek have caused her basement to flood and has eroded part of her property. Asked who was responsible for maintaining the creek. The mayor said he would have to check and get back to her.

Luissa Lopez, pool manager, spoke about closing the pool today and praised the kids who worked at the pool. Other citizens in attendance commented about the importance of having a city pool for the youth and suggested ways to improve the attendance.

MAYORS COMMENTS:

Thank you to Matt Ferree, Richard Wright, PCDA, and the city crew for getting the docks repaired and in the river. Thank you to Penny and Jon Baker, Brian Price for getting the digital sign up and running and to the city crew for installing the sign.

COMMITTEES

FINANCE:

Approve all bills for payment. Motion by Ken Stead, second by Lindsay Morrison-Wright, all in favor.

WATER, STREETS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

No report

WATER:

Wetzel Co. Commission has allocated \$250,000 to the city for infrastructure and it will be used for the next water project.

STREETS:

Handicap space at 119 Boston St. The citizen withdrew their request.

STORM SEWER:

Broadway-water will be shut off Wednesday night to move the water line that is in the way of the new storm drain and the work should be completed this week.

POLICE:

No report

FIRE:

No report

PARK AND POOL:

Tu Bui with Onterris gave an update on the campground. 3 quotes were received with Ohio West Virginia Excavating having the lowest bid of \$228,000. Motion by Lindsay Morrison-Wright, second by Linda Duke to accept the bid from Ohio West Virginia Excavating, all in favor. Work should be started the end of August, first of September.

PC FOUNDATION:

Rodney McWilliams presented checks to the city as follows: \$3500 to the library, \$3500 for electrical upgrade for the Christmas lights, \$500 to the Park and Pool.

NEW BUSINESS:

Set fall burning dates. Motion by Jon Baker, second by Lindsay Morrison-Wright to set September 15 to October 15, all in favor. Motion by Lindsay Morrison-Wright, second by Linda Duke to set March 15 to April 15 for the Spring of 2027, all in favor.

Discussion on personnel matter. Motion by Linda Duke, second by Jon Baker to go into executive session, WV code 69A42B. 8:13pm

Motion by Lindsay Morrison-Wright, second by Mike Turner to return to regular session at 8:55pm.

Motion by Mike Turner, second by Linda Duke to take applications for the maintenance crew, all in favor.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:

September 8, 2026 @ 7pm in the Jesse Brown Hall of the Cornerstone Building at 201 N. 4th Avenue

ADJOURNMENT Motion by Lindsay Morrison-Wright, second by Linda Duke to adjourn at 9:00pm

Signed: 
Mayor, Clyde Hochstrasser

Attest: 
Recorder, Jenny Baker