

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES City of Stamping Ground

Date: July 28, 2026

Place: Stamping Ground City Hall

Time: 6:00 pm est, 5:00pm cst

3374 Main Street

COMMISSION

Mayor: Jennifer Jones

Police Commissioner: Jennifer Jones

Economic Development Comm.: Cody Meadows

Public Works Comm.: Doug Jones

Streets' Commissioner: Megan Brown

Fire Commissioner and Pro Tem: Dale Perry

PERSONNEL

Police Chief: John Giles

Fire Chief: Robert Hendricks

Attorney: Zach Osborne

Financial Consultant: Melissa Bayer

ABC Admin: Kevin Kidwell

Asst. City Clerk: Michelle Randolph

Commissioners Not Present: None

Minutes By: Michelle Randolph

Discussion/Concerns (All Motions in BOLD)

-1- Mayor Jones called the meeting to order.

-2- All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

-3- An invocation was provided by Commissioner Perry.

-4- Assistant City Clerk Michelle Randolph called the roll.

-5- Public Concerns – Invited Guests

- The new owner of the vacant building across from City Hall was present. He stated that he is investigating and is interested in possibly opening a brewery.
- ABC Admin Kevin Kidwell arrived after the Fire Department report and was introduced to the new owner. They discussed the owner's needs and plans for the business.
- The Commission recommended that he meet with ABC Admin Kevin Kidwell to discuss the next steps.

People's Bank Rep

- Mike, from People's Bank, was present to introduce himself as the new branch manager for the Georgetown branch used by the city.

-6- Approval of Minutes

- Approval of June 23, 2026 Minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Meadows, 2nd by Commissioner Brown to approve the June 23, 2026 minutes.
Commissioner Perry voted no. Commissioner Jones recused himself from the vote.

Vote 3 – 1 - 1 P

- Approval of July 9, 2026 Minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Meadows, 2nd by Commissioner Brown to approve the July 9, 2026 minutes.
Commissioner Perry voted no. Mayor Jones and Commissioner Jones recused themselves from the vote.

Vote 2 – 1 – 2 P

- Approval of July 20, 2026 Minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Meadows, 2nd by Commissioner Brown to approve July 20, 2026 minutes.

Commissioner Jones recused himself from the vote.

Vote 4 – 0 -1 P

-7- Department Reports

Police Department

Chief John Giles reported:

- 27 calls since last meeting.
- Still waiting to hear back about moving the speed sign.
- The vendor will be striping the parking lot Thursday, July 30, 2026
- Discussed who to have install the new security cameras. **Chief Giles** will reach out to Steven Popp about installation.

Fire Department

Chief Hendricks reported:

- They are changing to First Due, a new records system that will be much more efficient once it is fully implemented.
- Still pursuing the grant on the new fire truck.
- ISO evaluation is coming up in September.
- The remodeling of the kitchen is going well. They have had lots of help from donations.
- Apparatus had an electrical issue, and it has now been fixed.
- **Commissioner Perry** stated he would be willing for **Commissioner Jones** to serve as the Fire Commissioner, and he would assume the role as Public Works Commissioner.
- **Commissioner Jones** accepted the position as Fire Commissioner

Motion by Commissioner Perry, 2nd by Commissioner Brown to appoint Commissioner Doug Jones as Fire Department Commissioner.

Commissioner Perry and Commissioner Jones abstained from the vote.

Vote 3 – 0 - 2 P

Motion by Mayor Jones 2nd by Commissioner Jones to appoint Commissioner Perry as Public Works Commissioner.

Commissioner Perry and Commissioner Jones abstained from the vote.

Vote 3 – 0 – 2 P

Public Works

Commissioner Perry reported:

- **Commissioner Perry** will work with **Commissioner Brown** on the brick project.
- **Commissioner Brown** stated that the awning has not been installed yet.
- **Attorney Osborne** stated that he met with Chase about the water tower. Asked if they would buy out our remainder, with no definite answer. We have another 25 years we can rent the tower.

Streets

Commissioner Brown reported:

- **Chief Giles** said they can't remove the stop signpost at the end of Locust Fork, due to it being in concrete about 3 inches under the ground.
- **Commissioner Brown** stated that there is only one more sign to install.
- She stated she heard from state. They will take responsibility for the ditch on Railroad St.
- Presented Hastings' 3-year snow removal contract. It was agreed that she can post an RFP for the position to give other contractors a chance to apply.

Economic Development

Commissioner Meadows reported:

- Clerks have Zoom meeting with iWorQ to get the program started, Friday at 10am.

Finance & Administration

Mayor Jones and City Clerk reported:

- Michelle Randolph stated Peggy Angel found a shredding company that is going to come out for \$95, with no contract. This is about \$80 cheaper than the original price.
- Setting the property tax rate will be on the next agenda to ensure we set the rate by the due date.

June 2026 Finances

- **Commissioner Brown** requested that the projected budget dollar amount move from Security Street Lights category to the KU Street Lights category so that the total budget is reflected correctly.
- The June Finances were tabled until the next meeting.

Melissa Bayer

- Melissa Bayer, CPA, introduced herself to Commissioner Jones.
- She passed out and presented a new packet she would like to present to new Commissioners moving forward. She would like the Commissioners and Clerks to read over to see if there is anything that needs to be edited or added.
- She reviewed the packet and answered the Commission's budget-related questions.

-8- Unfinished/Old Business

City Hall Repairs – AC, Awning & Waterproofing

- Covered all.
- Discussed having the AC in City Hall and the Police Department serviced twice a year. Michelle Randolph will email the Commission all three quotes received.

Appoint Code Enforcement Representative

- **Commissioner Meadows** will put a notice for the open position on Facebook.

Pavilion Fans

- Discussed what type of fans they would like to install in the pavilion.

-9- New Business

Pottery – Buffalo Daze

- There are several plates (pottery) in City Hall / Storage that have Buffalo Daze on them.
- Discussed what we might be able to do with them.
- **Commissioner Perry** Will reach out to Veronica Littrell.

Reorganize City Hall Layout

- Reviewed options for rearranging the museum corner of City Hall to create a more open and appealing space.
- Identified the need to have a yearly surplus process, including the current need to surplus items.
- Discussed cleaning out the paperwork in the storage building.
- Noted that the Commission is pleased with how City Hall has been remodeled so far.

-10- Announcements

- None

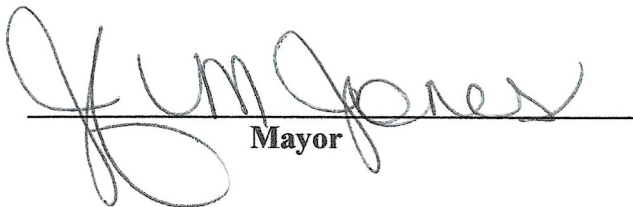
-11- Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Meadows, 2nd by Commissioner Perry to adjourn.

Vote 5 – 0 P

Meeting adjourned at **8:30 pm**

Meeting Minutes will be approved at the August 13, 2026 Meeting.



Mayor



Asst. City Clerk