
CITY OF TRENTON
JUNE 9, 2026
6:00 PM
TRENTON CITY HALL

Mayor Burriss called the regular scheduled meeting to order. Those present were Alderman Graves, Wade, Harper, Alderwoman Holt, and Elam. City employees were Phil Hickerson, Joe Wamble, Anthony Shostrand, Terry Brown, Bill Cusson, Justin Wigtion, Wyatt Butler, Austin McDonald, Jeff Mueller, and Danielle Dixon. Visitors present were Cari Erven, Darryl Word, Lillie Lancaster, Lillie Wade, and Valerie Jenkins.

Alderwoman Elam led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow.

Alderwoman Holt made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2026 council meeting. Alderman Wade seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

RECORDER'S REPORT

Danielle Dixon reported the expenditures for the month. Alderman Graves made a motion to approve the expenditures with general fund being \$39,734.73 and sanitation \$66,183.23. Alderman Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

CITIZENS INPUT

Cari Erven brought her concerns about dogs at large to the Council. She stated her son was out last night riding his bike and was chased by a Pitbull dog back to their home on College St. She asked what laws we have against dogs running at large. Mayor said we do have an ordinance against dogs running at large. Mayor said she needs to call the police and make a report. This will help our police address the situation and hopefully catch the dog.

Valerie Jenkins lives in the Gibson Housing Apartment Complex. She stated she is from Chicago and moved to Trenton to be closer to family. She said it has been a disaster. She expressed her concerns about problems with her landlord, maintenance in her apartment, and other general concerns about living at Gibson Housing. Mayor and City Council told her they will all check into this situation.

OLD BUSINESS

2nd READING OF ORDINANCE #359 TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX RATE OF \$1.30 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027.

Alderman Graves made a motion to pass 2nd reading on Ordinance #359 to adopt the City of Trenton annual budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027 with the property tax rate \$1.30 per \$100 of assessed value. Alderman Harper seconded the motion. After calling the roll, the motion was carried.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Jeff Mueller stated the court was set for June 8th; however, Tiffany Needham hired an attorney last week. Her attorney asked for a continuance to prepare his case. The courts granted the continuance. The new court date is set for July 24th.

ALDERMAN'S REPORT

All Alderpersons expressed their appreciation to all department heads and city employees for all their hard work. They stated appreciation to all citizens for bringing their concerns before the Council. "We cannot help, if we do not know there is a problem" they all stated. They all stated their sincere apologies to both Mrs. Erven and Mrs. Jenkins.

Alderwoman Holt stated Church St looks really good with all the cars parked in the correct direction.

Alderwoman Elam expressed her appreciation for those who came out and put flags on graves at the Oakland Cemetery for Memorial Day. She stated that Mr. Haywood is going to reschedule the community event that was set for May 30th. She invited all to come out and celebrate on June 19th at Project Field at 1:00 pm.

MAYOR'S REPORT

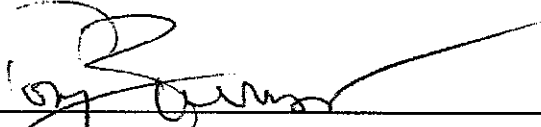
Our offices will be closed on June 19th in recognition of Juneteenth.

The next Utility Board Meeting is June 22nd at 8:30 am.

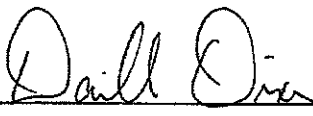
He stated our City's fuel bill is normally around \$6,000 a month with rising fuel prices this last month's bill was around \$10,000. He said I know we all did not want to raise property taxes; however, with the rising in prices it will help the City to stay in good standing.

The next City Council meeting will be June 23rd at 6:00 pm.

Alderwoman Holt made a motion to adjourn at 6:43 pm. Alderman Graves seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.



Tony Burriss, Mayor



Danielle Dixon, City Recorder