

**City of New Madrid**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
Monday July 28, 2025  
6:00 pm

**CALL TO ORDER**

The July 28, 2025, meeting of the Board of Alderman of the City of New Madrid was called to order at 6:00pm with Mayor Nick White presiding. Alderman Broughton, Alderman Lawfield, Alderman Courtois, and Alderman Cravens were present. Aldermen Riley and Chism were absent.

Also in attendance were City Administrator, Aaron Griffin, City Clerk, Paige Keene and Attorney Chance Hunter.

Admin Griffin led us in prayer.

Mayor White led the pledge of Allegiance.

**A. Approval of minutes**

The minutes from the July 14th meeting were presented.

**MOTION:** Alderman Lawfield made a motion and Alderman Cravens seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

**B. Visitors**

Kim St. Mary Hall came by to express concern about how long the Evergreen Cemetery sign has been down. The sign was damaged several months ago by a monument company, and we have been working with their insurance company to find a replacement.

**C. New Business**

Mayor White expressed he would like to appoint Officers Hass and Vincent to code enforcement roles to oversee derelict vehicles and homes.

**MOTION:** Alderman Lawfield made a motion and Alderman Courtois seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

**D. Resolution(s)**

A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE 2025-2027 TREE TRIMMING BID TO SOUTHERN TREE CARE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$128,000.00

**MOTION:** Alderman Cravens made a motion and Alderman Lawfield seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

A RESOLUTION AWARDING BID TO SUNBELT SOLOMON FOR POLE MOUNT TRANSFORMERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,130.00

**MOTION:** Alderman Broughton made a motion and Alderman Lawfield seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

#### **E. City Admin Report**

New City Hall- bid opening is at 2pm Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup>.

Vape Shop Business License- The owner's lawyer came to file for a new business license under different ownership. They also attached a plan for what they will do to be sure the same issues we had before do not happen again. Admin Griffin asked if the council would like to approve this license as a new business. Chief Green was in attendance and voiced concern about their cooperation with law enforcement in the past. Attorney Hunter says it is up to the council if they would like to approve the license.

**MOTION:** Alderman Courtois made a motion to deny the business license and Alderman Cravens seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

#### **F. Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss Alderman Lawfield made a motion to adjourn and Alderman Broughton seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**