

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Portageville City Hall  
February 13, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the City of Portageville Board of Aldermen was held on Friday, February 13, 2026, at City Hall, 301 E Main St. Mayor Cook called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present

Alderman McCrate  
Alderman Faulk  
Alderman Smith  
Alderman Simmons

Council Members Absent

Following roll call, the City Clerk reported that a quorum was present.

Also present were:

Rachel Wrather, City Clerk	
Carol Bowden	Terry Wheeler
Kevin Guthrie	Thomas Penrod
Jimmy Wyman	Larry Dooley
Mike Masters	Roosevelt Mosby
Steven Russell	Chris Long
Joseph Young	Darryl Hayes

APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA

Moved by Alderman McCrate, seconded by Alderman Simmons and unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

STREET DEPARTMENT AND WATER DEPARTMENT POSITION  
EXPECTATIONS

Mayor Cook stated that this meeting was called to discuss the expectations of the Board of Aldermen of Street and Water Department employees as well as answer any questions that the employees may have of the Board.

Employees spoke about individuals not getting along and causing drama and tension in the workplace. There were employees who

were not happy with the current work environment and possibly seeking other employment due to the circumstances. Discussion followed. Strategies for moving forward included, but were not limited to, cross training of employees to serve in multiple departments.

The Board of Aldermen also addressed work orders not being completed in a timely manner. Discussion followed. Strategies for resolution included, but are not limited too, locates must be completed within 7 days of recorded start date; while driving around town, if problems are seen make a work order right then or resolve it on spot; open work orders should be reviewed by Supervisors weekly.

Water Department should prioritize hydrants at MFA Oil and Food Rite.

Street Department should prioritize sign repair, street patching (potholes), storm drains/ drainage issues. There is a quadrant system that was put in place that would aid in drainage over the course of a year. A copy will be provided to the Street Department Supervisor.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Alderman McCrate, seconded by Alderman Simmons to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with Section 610-021.1 RSMo to discuss personnel.

The vote thereon was as follows:

Alderman McCrate	"Aye"
Alderman Faulk	"Aye"
Alderman Simmons	"Aye"
Alderman Smith	"Aye"

Motion was made by Alderman McCrate and seconded by Alderman Faulk to adjourn back to regular session at 9:46 a.m.

Roll call was as follows:

Alderman McCrate	"Aye"
Alderman Faulk	"Aye"
Alderman Simmons	"Aye"
Alderman Smith	"Aye"

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, moved by Alderman Simmons, seconded by Alderman Smith and unanimously carried, to adjourn at 9:47 a.m.



Rachel Wrather  
City Clerk



Michael Cook Jr.  
Mayor