

**MINUTES
FAIRFIELD CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025**

The Fairfield City Council held a regular meeting on Monday, June 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of Fairfield City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Eddie Penny.

The Invocation was given by Ms. Valerie Moore.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The City Clerk called the roll with Councilors Taylor, Parks, Foster, Norman, Oden-Jones, Averhart, and Mayor Penny present. President Carnes was absent. Attorney L. Blankenship was present for the meeting.

Adoption of Agenda

Councilor Parks offered a motion to adopt the agenda. Councilor Norman seconded the motion. Stated motion carried unanimously.

Adoption of Minutes: Regular Meeting, May 19, 2025

Councilor Norman offered a motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 19, 2025. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Penny acknowledged State Senator Merika Coleman who presented a \$50,000 grant from the Jefferson County Community Service Fund to be used towards the Willie Mays Park Renovation Project. The ribbon cutting will be on the June 19, 2025.
- Chief Perry presented the call volume in the fire department for May.
- Chief Hunter presented the call volume in the police department for May. He addressed the security plan for the July 4th. He stated that patrols will be increased and the ordinances will be enforced. Patrols will be conducted at Willie Mays Park every hour and will be logged.
- Mayor Penny restated that the polling location has been changed for the Municipal Election to the Fairfield Civic Center.

Finance Report

Will be given at the next meeting.

Extend Floor to Public (Three minutes each)

- a. Kevin Carter expressed concerns regarding 800 Beacon Drive. He stated there was a hole in the roof which causes mold to grow inside and that there was grass growing on top of the roof. He also expressed concerns regarding speeding in the neighborhood.

Report from Council Committees:

Public Safety – Councilor Oden-Jones' committee met on Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 5:00 pm to discuss hiring personnel at the police department. The committee voted to table the decision until they had the opportunity to discuss the matter with the Mayor and Chief Hunter further.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- a. Councilor Taylor offered a motion to approve the AL DOT resolution. Councilor Norman seconded the motion. Motion passed. Councilor Averhart abstained.
- b. Councilor Norman made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-18; Acceptance of MLB Grant for Willie Mays Park and to attach the final funding amount/agreement to the resolution. Councilor Parks seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- c. Councilor Taylor made a motion to accept the Jefferson County Service Grant for \$50,000. Councilor Norman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- d. Councilor Oden-Jones made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-19; Final approval for weed abatement for 414 Valley Rd. Councilor Averhart seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Correspondence

- a. The Clerk reiterated that the polling location for the municipal election has changed to the Fairfield Civic Center. The Clerk informed the citizens that flyers have already been posted in City Hall, the Library, and at the Post Office. Some churches have been notified and it is on the website. Postcards will be mailed out to the citizens in the month of July.

Announcements from Council Members

- Councilor Taylor announced that District 1 had a meeting on May 27, 2025 and Mr. Kennedy Lee was present to give insight into the dumping issue in the City. The next District 1 meeting will be on June 23, 2025 at the Community Center.

Adjournment

Councilor Norman offered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Averhart seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.


Eddie Penny, Mayor

ATTEST:


Yvette Reynolds
City Clerk/Treasurer