

City of Tipton Common Council meeting was held on June 23, 2025, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Schmicker, Clerk-Treasurer Clark, Councilmen Vautaw, VanBibber, Richards, Kring, and Rippy.

Others: Mike Bollman, Rob Cochrane III, Matt Quigley, and Elsie Smith.

Mayor Schmicker opened the June 23, 2025, Council meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: Councilman Vautaw stated the minutes need to be amended. Resolution 2025-08 stated Councilman Vautaw made the motion and seconded the motion. The correction was made. Councilman Vautaw made the motion, and Councilman VanBibber seconded the motion, with all in favor. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the Amended June 9, 2025, Council minutes, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Councilman Kring commented to add discussing the Operating Agreement for the Tipton Main Street – Downtown Plaza and Performance Stage under comments.

BOW: Councilman Kring reported on the June 23, 2025, BOW meeting.

Golf Advisory Committee: Councilman VanBibber stated the GAC hasn't met yet.

Tipton Partnership Initiative: Mayor Schmicker stated they have not met yet.

Solid Waste District Board: It was commented that the position was posted, and there were four applicants. They will be interviewed this week.

Street, Alley, & Sidewalk Committee: Nothing to report.

Planning Commission: Councilman Vautaw stated June 12<sup>th</sup>, there were two public hearings, one for Hare's building by Speedway Gas Station, and the second amending the schedule of fees. He also stated the Planning Commission gave a favorable recommendation to the Council Amending Appendix A, Schedule of Fees, Under Category of Buildings.

Utility Board: Councilman Rippy gave kudos to the Electric Dept. for getting the electricity back on Sunday, when we had no power. The June 16, 2025, Utility Board minutes are enclosed.

Youth Council: Mayor Schmicker stated we will start this Committee back up when school starts.

New Business:

CF1 Approvals (Tax Abatements) – Mayor Schmicker commented that all applicants are within substantial compliance and gave them a favorable recommendation. Councilman Rippy

made a motion to approve all the CF1s, seconded by Councilman VanBibber. The CF1s were approved by Councilman Vautaw, VanBibber, Richards, and Rippy. Councilman Kring voted against.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Schmicker updated the Council on the following subjects: West Street Construction Project, East Street Construction Project, INDOT SR28 Project, Shelving Project, BMO Bank building, Industrial Park 12 acres, Sidewalk Project, and LPA Project.

Resolutions & Ordinances:

Resolution 2025-09 – A Resolution To Transfer Within The General Fund The Following Appropriations – Pool Budget: Councilman Kring made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-09, seconded by Councilman Richards, with all in favor.

Claims: Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve claims 179623-179679 for \$797,002.08, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Petitions, Comments, and Memorials:

Councilman Rippy commented that the Solar Park Ribbon Cutting is June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Tipton Main Street Association, Rob Cochrane, III, gave a brief update on the Downtown Plaza and Performance Stage. He also gave the Council an update on the Operating Agreement and the few changes that TMSA would like to change. One, the restrictions on the non-permanent stages and performance venues, and the utility usage during events at Downtown Plaza being paid by the City and not TMSA. There was a brief discussion regarding the Downtown Plaza and events. Councilman Richards made a motion to accept the changes presented, seconded by Councilman Vautaw, with all in favor. Councilman Kring stated he would make the changes in the Word document and then send it to Attorney Quigley, Mayor Schmicker, and Clerk-Treasurer Clark. Once completed, he would send it to the Council. Councilman Richards congratulated Mr. Cochrane III on the event. Mr. Cochrane, III, stated Thank you, there were kids downtown, DORA was in place, and we were pleased with it.

Councilman Kring commented that the first of the month is our Work Session. If you have anything, reach out to Nate, the Mayor, or the Clerk-Treasurer.

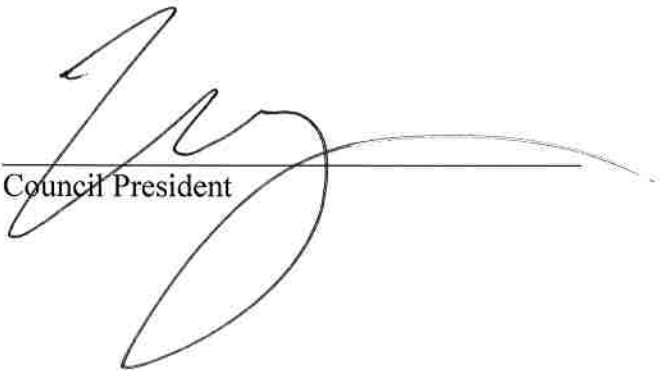
Councilman VanBibber stated yesterday that he walked around the Pool, and he was amazed at the number of people there. He also stated he had texted the Mayor about how many people were there, and Mr. Thompson responded back to the Mayor with the information in less than 12 hours. Mr. Thompson stated they had a record day of 924 total admissions; the old record was 663. Councilman Rippy stated Mr. Thompson is a good manager.

Councilman Richards asked about the baseball diamond. Mayor Schmicker stated that the advertisement will be in the paper on Wednesday, it will be advertised two times, the bid opening is in July, with approval by the end of July. The expectation is that construction will start by August.

Adjournment: Councilman Kring motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.

  
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