

ELIZABETHTOWN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

The Elizabethtown City Council met in a Special Session at 4:30 PM with Mayor Jeffrey H. Gregory presiding. The meeting was held at City Council Chambers, 212 West Dixie Avenue, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

PRESENT: Tony Bishop, Tim Isaacs, Marty Fulkerson, Lamar Jones, Julia Springsteen, and Mika Tyler

ABSENT: None

For others in attendance, please see sign in sheet (Attachment A)

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeffrey H. Gregory.
2. **INVOCATION:** Invocation was given by Mayor Jeffrey H. Gregory
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Gregory led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **ROLL CALL:** City Clerk Graham took a roll call of the City Council Members. All members were present, constituting a legal quorum.
5. **PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mayor Gregory announced if anyone wishes to speak during the 'Public Comments' section of the meeting, they should sign in at the side desk with staff.
6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES- September 14, 2026:** Minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 14, 2026, were previously distributed to each Council Member for consideration. There being no corrections or amendments thereto, it was moved by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Tyler, and carried to adopt the minutes as written. Council Members Bishop, Isaacs, Fulkerson, Jones, Springsteen, and Tyler voted aye.
Motion passed 6-0.
7. **ORDINANCE, SECOND READING, BY MOTION**
 - A. **Ordinance #14-2026- Setting 2026 Tax Rate for Motor Vehicle & Water Craft**
It was moved by Council Member Isaacs, seconded by Council Member Tyler and carried to read the above Ordinance.

Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Ordinance. City Attorney Howard read the Ordinance in full. It was moved by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Bishop to adopt and approve the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken. Council Members Bishop, Isaacs, Fulkerson, Jones, Springsteen, and Tyler voted aye. Motion passed 6-0.

B. Ordinance #15-2026- Setting 2026 Franchise Tax Rate

It was moved by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Tyler and carried to read the above Ordinance. Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Ordinance. City Attorney Howard read the Ordinance in full. It was moved by Council Member Isaac's, seconded by Council Member Tyler to adopt and approve the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken. Council Members Bishop, Isaacs, Fulkerson, Jones, Springsteen, and Tyler voted aye. Motion passed 6-0.

C. Ordinance #16-2026- Setting 2026 Tax Rate for Real & Personal Property

It was moved by Council Member Tyler, seconded by Council Member Bishop and carried to read the above Ordinance. Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Ordinance. City Attorney Howard read the Ordinance in full. It was moved by Council Member Fulkerson, seconded by Council Member Bishop to adopt and approve the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken. Council Members Bishop, Isaacs, Fulkerson, Jones, Springsteen, and Tyler voted aye. Motion passed 6-0. Mayor Gregory stated that this is the second year in a row that the tax rate has been lowered, further explaining that if people see an increase, it is because their property values have risen and their assessments increased by the PVA, not the City.

D. Ordinance #17-2026- Amending the official zoning map for property located at 1010 & 1020 Prospect Pointe Drive from Neighborhood Commercial (C-2) to Regional Commercial (C-3)

It was moved by Council Member Tyler, seconded by Council Member Jones and carried to read the above Ordinance. Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Ordinance. City Attorney Howard read the Ordinance in summary. It was moved by Council Member Tyler, seconded by Council Member Isaacs to adopt and approve the ordinance.

A roll call vote was taken. Council Members Bishop, Isaacs, Fulkerson, Jones, Springsteen, and Tyler voted aye.
Motion passed 6-0.

8. MUNICIPAL ORDERS

A. Municipal Order #68-2026- Accepting contract for professional services with Strand Associates Inc. for design services in regard to Pear Orchard Road

It was moved by Council Member Isaacs, seconded by Council Member Springsteen, and carried to read the above Municipal Order. Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Municipal Order. City Attorney Howard read the Municipal Order in full.

Council Member Springsteen asked if the design would be more than sidewalks. City Administrator Poppe stated they will evaluate curb and gutter and multi-use path for this corridor. Council Member Fulkerson stated this will be great improvement.

It was moved by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Fulkerson to adopt and approve the Municipal Order.
Motion passed 6-0.

B. Municipal Order #69-2026-Accepting contract for professional services with Palmer Engineering for design services in regard to the Safe Streets For All Grant

It was moved by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Tyler, and carried to read the above Municipal Order. Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Municipal Order. City Attorney Howard read the Municipal Order in full.

It was moved by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Isaacs to adopt and approve the Municipal Order.
Motion passed 6-0.

C. Municipal Order #70-2026- Accepting gift for the Steelgrove Amphitheater Project

It was moved by Council Member Tyler, seconded by Council Member Jones, and carried to read the above Municipal Order. Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Municipal Order. City Attorney Howard read the Municipal Order in full.

It was moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Council Member Tyler to adopt and approve the Municipal Order.
Motion passed 6-0.

D. Municipal Order #71-2026- Accepting lease agreement for property located at Woodland Drive from Warm Blessings, Inc.

It was moved by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Isaacs, and carried to read the above Municipal Order. Mayor Gregory asked City Attorney Howard to read the above Municipal Order. City Attorney Howard read the Municipal Order in full. Council Member Springsteen said she is excited for this next step for Warm Blessings and supporting the needs of the community. It was moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Council Member Springsteen to adopt and approve the Municipal Order. Motion passed 6-0.

Josh Miller, Executive Director for Warm Blessings, addressed the Mayor and Council thanking them for this opportunity and making it possible to provide a new place for the outreach program they provide to the community. The mission of Warm Blessings is to serve our neighbors and treat them with dignity and help in set in their future. Strong people make a strong community. Warm Blessings has been providing services such as hot meals, laundry services, and showers to community members for over 21 years. The hope is to leave a legacy of better community members and a better Elizabethtown. Mayor Gregory thanked Mr. Miller, Warm Blessings, staff in attendance, and all the local non-profits for their work in the community.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Gregory asked for public comments and restated they needed to sign in at the side desk with staff.

Johnny Howard, resident of the City, addressed property next to the Sam's Club business. He would like to see it maintained.

Frank Danner, non-resident, spoke about a message of unity and of single taxation.

10. CITY COUNCIL INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Mayor Gregory announced the next City Council meeting will be September 28, 2026.
- B. The Heartland Harvest Festival is this Saturday, September 26, 2026. (Attachment B). Beth Pyles, Events Manager, gave an overview of the festival events with the conclusion of a free concert by Little Texas.
- C. Mayor Gregory stated the event with the Louisville Orchestra was a hit with over 3200 people attending. He thanked the Events staff and Parks & Recreation staff for all of their hard work in making this possible. Council Member Springsteen complimented staff of their expertise of handling parking and the crowd making it easier for patrons to park and to exit the event.

11. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Council Member Tyler, seconded by Council Member Jones, and carried the meeting be adjourned. Council Members Bishop, Fulkerson, Isaacs, Jones, Springsteen, and Tyler voted aye.
Motion passed 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:08 PM.



9/29/2026 | 1:12 PM EDT

JEFFREY H. GREGORY, MAYOR

ATTESTED TO:



9/29/2026 | 1:13 PM EDT

JESSICA J. GRAHAM, CITY CLERK

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Attachment A

COUNCIL
 TONY BISHOP
 MARTY FULKERSON
 TIM ISAACS
 LAMAR JONES
 JULIA SPRINGSTEEN
 MIKA TYLER



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CITY OF ELIZABETHTOWN
JEFFREY H. GREGORY, MAYOR

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SIGN IN SHEET

DATE: 9/21/26

ED POPPE, CITY ADMINSTRATOR
 KEN HOWARD, CITY ATTORNEY
 JESSICA GRAHAM, CITY CLERK
 JASON DAILEY, AST. ADMINISTRATOR
 SETH BREITNER, PARKS & REC
 COREY BOND, WWTP
 RITA DAVIS, STORMWATER
 JULIEN CARLIN, IT
 JEFF HAWKINS, FINANCE
 DON HILL, PUBLIC WORKS

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MATTHEW HOBBS, GAS ENGINEER
 AMY INMAN, PUBLIC INFORMATION
 MARK MALONE, FIRE CHIEF
 MICHAEL PAGE, ENGINEER
 BETH PYLES, EVENTS
 AARON HAWKINS, PLANNING
 TERRY SHIPP, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
 JEREMY THOMPSON, POLICE CHIEF
 JODIE THOMPSON, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

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Warm Blessings
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PLEASE SILENCE PHONES

The City of Elizabethtown will provide quality service to its citizens

Attachment B



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

COMMUNITY-WIDE FESTIVAL OF EVENTS






COMMUNITY

KID'S FISHING DERBY (FREE)
9AM-12PM | FREEMAN LAKE PARK

CORVETTE CRUISE-IN | 10AM-2PM
SOUTHEAST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

WOMANS CLUB OF ELIZABETHTOWN BREAKFAST | 8-11AM
PRITCHARD COMMUNITY CENTER

HEARTLAND 5K | 8AM
ELIZABETHTOWN NATURE PARK

RON THOMAS MEMORIAL
FISHING TOURNAMENT
9AM-12PM | FREEMAN LAKE PARK

DOWNTOWN ELIZABETHTOWN

FREE CONCERT FEATURING



LITTLE TEXAS

WITH GUESTS



KEVIN JAGGERS
THE CRASHERS

10AM-5PM

HUNDREDS OF CRAFT BOOTHS
FOOD TRUCKS
FREE KID'S ZONE
FREE PETTING ZOO
QUICKSIE GREAT PUMPKIN BATTLE

94.3 THE WOLF






FREE CONCERT EVENT

JUSTICE CENTER LOT

2PM - GATES OPEN

3:00PM - KEVIN JAGGERS

5:00PM - THE CRASHERS

7:30PM - **LITTLE TEXAS**

PRESENTED BY
THE CITY OF ELIZABETHTOWN