COMMON COUNCIL
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August 18, 2026 -7:00 P.M.

The Common Council of the City of Kendallville met in regular session August 18, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

Roll call was answered by: Mayor Lance Waters, Council Member Amy Ballard, Council Member Shari Targgart, Attorney Jacob Atz, Council Member Tara Streb, and Council Member Christopher McCreery. Council Member Corey Boese was absent.

Others present were Katie Ritchie, April Waters, Brian Strange, Patrick Howell, Matt Getts- KPC, Tim Ostrowski, Scott Derby, Jeremy McKinley, and John Dixon.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

MINUTES/ MEETING

Minutes from August 4, 2026, Common Council meeting was presented for review. Council Member Shari Targgart made a motion to approve with a second from Council Member Tara Streb. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

PETITIONS OR COMMENTS

Council Member Tara Streb congratulated Administrative Engineer Scott Derby on 40 years of employment with the City of Kendallville.

MAYOR

Resolution #1145/ Tax Abatement- Kraft Heinz Foods

Council Member Amy Ballard requested the reading of findings for Resolution #1145. Attorney Jacob Atz read the findings for the abatement. Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to accept the findings with a second from Council Member Tara Streb. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

Council Member Amy Ballard requested the reading of Resolution #1145 in its entirety. Attorney Jacob Atz read Resolution #1145 in its entirety. Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to approve with a second from Council Member Tara Streb. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

The July Humane Shelter Report was presented for review.

CLERK TREASURER

Resolution #1144/ New Financial Institution & Transfer

Council Member Amy Ballard requested the reading of Resolution #1144 in its entirety. Attorney Jacob Atz read Resolution #1144 in its entirety. Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to approve with a second from Council Member Shari Targgart. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

FIRE

The July 2026 Fire Report was presented for review.

POLICE

The July 2026 Police Report was presented for review.

OLD BUSINESS

General Ordinance #1284/ Permit Fees- 2nd Reading

Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to suspend the rules and read General Ordinance #1284 in title only with a second from Council Member Christopher McCreery. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

Council Member Amy Ballard requested the reading of General Ordinance #1284 in title only. Attorney Jacob Atz read General Ordinance #1284 in title only. Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to approve with a second from Council Member Christopher McCreery. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

ALLOWANCE OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

Council Member Amy Ballard presented bills and claim numbers 82744 through 82805 for $908,917.99 for approval. Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to approve the bills and claims with a second by Council Member Tara Streb. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Council Member Tara Streb made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Council Member Shari Targgart. Mayor Lance Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:16 P.M.

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Kathren R. Ritchie- Clerk Treasurer

Minutes approved by me this 1st of September 2026

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Lance L. Waters-Mayor