

Minutes of the City Board Meeting August 27th, 2025

The Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Cool Valley was held on Wednesday, August 27th, 2025, at 6:06 p.m. at the City Hall, 100 Signal Hill Drive. The following members of the Board of Aldermen were present:

Mayor Jermaine Matthew- Present
Board President Alvin Robinson- Present
Debra Carter - Present
Floyd Blackwell - Present
Ms. Earline Jones Collins-Present
City Attorney - Mr. Craig Smith

Approval of the Agenda

Alderwoman D. Carter motioned to approve the agenda with amendments, which Alderman F. Blackwell seconded. The board approved the agenda with the amendments for the board meeting on August 27, 2025. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins -Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Carter- Yes, Motion Carried.

Approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting

The motion to approve the July 23, 2025, meeting minutes, made by Alderman A. Robinson, was seconded by Alderman F. Blackwell. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins Yes, F. Blackwell-Yes, D. Carter-Yes, Motion Carried

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENT

Alderman F. Blackwell made the motion for approval to pay receipts and disbursements, which Alderman A. Robinson seconded. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Carter- Yes, Motion Carried.

Police Department Report

Detective Beekman Calls for Service: 342 (Including Self-Initiated Calls) **Summonses** / **Tickets:** 50, 5 – Unlawful Discharge of Fireworks, 3 – Parking Violations 2 – Abandoned / Derelict Auto Reports **Generated:** 29 **Arrests:** 10,3 – Curfew Violations,2 – Driving While Intoxicated,2 – Unlawful Use of a Weapon,1 – Stealing from a Motor Vehicle,1 – Driving While Revoked,1 – Fireworks Violation, **Patrol Hours:** 192, **Notable Reports:** On July 6^{th,} officers responded to the area of Redwood and Weleda for a shooting. The investigation revealed that the subject accidentally shot himself at an unknown location and was dropped off in the area by others. The subject was uncooperative with the investigators.

On July 6^{th,} officers responded to the 8400 block of Evans for shots fired. Investigation revealed that a known subject to the occupants of the residence fired shots into an unoccupied vehicle. The investigation is ongoing. On July 25^{th,} officers responded to the 1200 and 1300 block of Weleda for shots fired. The officers were able to locate and arrest two individuals who were



involved in the incident that occurred on the Ted Jones Trail just east of the location. The officers also recovered 3 firearms. On July 30^{th,} during the early morning hours, an officer on patrol was flagged down by a resident in the 100 block of Hawkesbury in reference to a theft from a vehicle that had just occurred. The suspect fled the scene just prior to the officer's contact. The officer located the suspect, who was taken into custody.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion to amend the agenda.

Alderman F. Blackwell made the motion to amend the agenda #6 and add item D. for each board member to have five (5) minutes to make a verbal report, and was seconded by Alderwoman D. Carter. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -No, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Carter -Yes, E. Jones Collins-Yes. Motion Carried

2. Motion to amend the agenda.

Alderman F. Blackwell made the motion to amend the agenda #8 and add item 2. To discuss the public safety of school bus travel on Hawkesbury and was seconded by Alderwoman D. Carter. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, F. Blackwell-Yes, D. Carter -Yes, E. Jones Collins-Yes. Motion Carried

3. Information to the board on the Opioids Settlement

A proposed nationwide settlement agreement has been reached with Purdue (and certain of its affiliates) and the Sackler family concerning alleged misconduct related to opioids. The proposed settlement is being implemented in connection with Purdue's bankruptcy proceedings.

4. Motion to go into Closed Session pursuant RSMO 610.021(1) legal.

Alderman F. Blackwell made the motion and was seconded by Alderwoman D. Carter. (7:13 p.m.) The vote was rolled as follows: A. Robinson -No, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Carter -Yes, E. Jones Collins-Yes. Motion Carried

WARRANTS

1. Approval of monthly bills for payments

The motion for approval to pay monthly city bills made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Not present, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Carter- Yes, Motion Carried.



Adjournment

Alderman F. Blackwell motioned to adjourn the Board Meeting, and Alderwoman D. Carter seconded the motion. The motion was carried upon a unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Approved:

Jermaine Matthew, Mayor

Attest: /

Dianna Drake, City Clerk

