

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Beardstown, Illinois

May 6, 2025

- Roll Call      The City Council of the City of Beardstown, Cass County, Illinois, met in regular session Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at Beardstown City Hall, 105 West Third Street at 6:16 p.m. At the above time and place, the following members were present: Mayor Tim Harris, City Clerk Brian Ruch, Alderpersons Chris Baer, Lisa Buhlig, Ron Culves, Mary Davis, Eric Harbin, Keith Schramm, Dawn Seward and Shawn Taylor. Absent: none. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.
- Public Comment      There were no public comments.
- Minutes Approved      Motion by Davis, seconded by Taylor “That the reading of the minutes from the meeting held April 22, 2025 be dispensed with, that the minutes be approved as published.” passed unanimously by voice vote.
- Consent Agenda Filed      Motion by Harbin, seconded by Seward “That the Consent Agenda be approved.” passed unanimously by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

<u>Water Superintendent Report</u>	<u>April 2025</u>	<u>May 1-April 30</u>
Gallons Pumped	14,123,061	181,599,596
<u>Police Chief's Report</u>	<u>April 2025</u>	<u>May 1-April 30</u>
Calls Answered	689	7,804
Criminal Arrests	10	83
Traffic Arrests	18	299
Traffic Stops	37	403
Warrants Served	3	40
City Ordinance Citations	0	11
Criminal Damage Reports	1	56
Thefts, Felony	3	40
Thefts, Misdemeanor	8	66
Burglaries	0	30
Batteries	1	27
Disorderly Conduct	0	9
Accidents	20	220

<u>Fire Chief's Report</u>	<u>March 2025</u>	<u>May 1-April 30</u>
City Fires	78	368
Rural Fires	13	66
Mutual Aid	3	3
Rescue Calls	0	2
Structure Fires	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>
Total	91	434

Mutual Aid, Rescue Calls & Structure Fires are included in the City Fires & Rural Fires Totals. Structure Fires Total Since January 1, 2025.

Code Enforcement Report- April 2025

Attached to the Minutes

Zoning Officer Report- April 2025

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Disbursements for the period ending May 6, 2025.

TIF Renovation Grant-Rebecca Hohimer      Motion by Culves, seconded by Seward "That the TIF Renovation Grant Application from Rebecca Hohimer for an amount not-to-exceed \$13,558.00 be approved." passed by 7-1 roll call vote. Yea: Buhlig, Culves, Davis, Harbin, Schramm, Seward and Taylor. No: Baer. Absent: none. (Project address is 116-118 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street)

TIF Renovation Grant-Ernest Bolen      Motion by Harbin, seconded by Culves "That the TIF Renovation Grant Application from Ernest Bolen for an amount not-to-exceed \$13,925.00 be approved." passed by 6-2 roll call vote. Yea: Buhlig, Davis, Harbin, Schramm, Seward and Taylor. No: Baer and Culves. Absent: none. (Project address is 410 E 4th Street)

Appointment Fire Pension Board-Katie Vitale      Motion by Davis, seconded by Seward "That the appointment of Katherine "Katie" Vitale to the Beardstown Fire Pension Board for a 3 year term ending April 30, 2028 be approved." passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor Harris presented a plaque to retiring City Clerk Brian "Petie" Ruch recognizing his 36 plus years with the City of Beardstown.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned Sine Die at 6:26 P.M. on the motion of Baer, seconded by Seward.

Submitted by,

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City Clerk