

PLAINS CITY COUNCIL  
CALLED MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** June 23, 2026

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Plains City Hall

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Joey Recker called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**2. Invocation**

Councilor Terry Westbury delivered the invocation.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Joey Recker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Roll Call**

City Clerk Cindy Bagwell conducted the roll call.

**Present:**

- Mayor Joey Recker
- Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Harris
- Councilor Andrea Oates
- Councilor Amy Wise
- Councilor Terry Westbury

**Absent:**

- Councilor Eugene Edge
- Councilor A.B. Jackson

**5. Comments or Concerns from Citizens**

No citizens were present.

**6. Discussion and Vote on the 2026–2027 Budget**

The Mayor and Council reviewed the proposed balanced budget prepared by the City's accountant. It was noted that the budget may be amended as necessary throughout the fiscal year.

Discussion included the following:

- Councilor Westbury reported that he is conducting an internal review of garbage and monitoring fees to ensure charges are properly aligned with services provided. Upon completion, he and Mrs. Jones will compare findings and make any necessary corrections.
- Mayor Recker stated that the City's goal is not to generate revenue from its departments, but rather to ensure that each department is financially self-supporting and able to cover the cost of services provided.
- Mayor Recker will review the budget line item for inmate meals.
- City Clerk Bagwell will contact Mr. Hudgins regarding an item listed on Page 4 of the proposed budget.
- City Clerk Bagwell will contact Mr. Baldwin to confirm that insurance coverage has been removed from the Police Department's Ford Taurus.
- Council discussed miscellaneous budget expenditures and requested clarification regarding the types of expenses charged to the Miscellaneous account.
- Clarification was provided regarding the take-home vehicle policy for police officers, and fuel usage associated with department vehicles was discussed.

With no further discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the 2026–2027 Budget. Councilor Wise seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0.

## **7. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mayor Recker adjourned the meeting at 7:15 PM.

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### **Minutes Submitted By:**

Cindy Bagwell  
City Clerk