The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in regular session on Monday August 25, 2025, at 7:07 pm. Those present were Mayor Chris Younger, Alderpersons Michael Barron, Jennifer Hughey, Bryan Cathey, and Bett Jewell. The city attorney was present.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to approve the minutes of August 11, 2025, Regular Meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Younger informed the board that one bid had been received for pothole repair and that there was an increase from the previously awarded bid. Younger also pointed out that the sidewalk on North Main was finished and looking good. Younger also informed the board that the City Recorder has been in contact with Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund getting numbers together for our note. Younger noted the water fountain had been installed at the Georgia McIlwain Ellis Mini Park and has already seen it in use. Younger also informed the board there was a section of sidewalk near 122 Elm Street that was busted that was replaced when the replacement was happening on North Main. When we begin looking at more sidewalk repairs there will be a few others in that same area of Elm.

Department Reports

Mayor Younger updated the board from an email for Chief Rudd that both Rescue 1 and Truck 1 went down last week. Rescue 1 was back up and running but they were waiting on a part for Truck 1 to finish it's repair. Younger also informed the board that their new garage building would be finished this week.

Public Works Supervisor Dale Carroll informed the board that the street crew had finished spraying all the concrete ditches. The parks department also got the lights placed on the disc golf baskets. Carroll also informed the board that the playground would be closed for an additional week, possibly two due to shipping delays with some of the new playground equipment.

Committee Reports

Mayor Younger reminded the board about the Finance, Administration, and Personnel Committee meeting immediately following the board meeting.

Mayor Younger asked that we include a buildings and walkways committee meeting before the next board meeting. Committee Chair Bett Jewell agreed.

Park Committee Chair Bett Jewell informed the board that grant work was still underway at the park and we are waiting on some pieces but work is moving along. Dale Carroll also brought up that all the lights at the park had now been replaced with LED lights.

Mayor Younger asked that we add trunk or treat in our next committee meeting agenda. Younger also informed the board that Jason Cooper and the Buzz Kings had confirmed for the trunk or treat so we will have live music again. Younger also reminded the board about the upcoming Patriot Day event on September 13 hosted by the Dyer Fire Department. They will have vendors, food trucks, a car show, a live band, and fireworks.

Unfinished Business

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to allow Dale Carroll to go through applications and hire a new public works employee to replace an open position. Motion carried with all ayes.

New Business

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Michael Barron to accept bids for asphalt repair. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Bryan Cathey to award asphalt repair bid to Pavement Restorations, Inc. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey seconded by Michael Barron to accept Mike Needham's resignation from the board of Mayor and Alderpersons. The City Recorder read Needham's resignation letter. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to declare city board seat vacant and accept nominations to fill vacant seat. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Bryan Cathey to accept Jay Richardson's resignation. The City Recorder read Richardson's resignation letter. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to allow the Finance, Administration, Personnel Committee to hire or contract a grade 3 operator for the City of Dyer once a qualified individual was found. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to accept Jaxon Bailey's resignation. The City Recorder read Bailey's resignation letter. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to pay the accounts of August 25, 2025. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Michael Barron to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.

Chris Younger, Mayor

Ashlee Starkey, City Recorder