

The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in regular session on Monday February 23, 2026, at 7:19 pm. Those present were Mayor Chris Younger, Alderpersons Michael Barron, Kayla Hall, Jennifer Hughey, Jessica Dickinson, Bryan Cathey, Nathan Reed, Bett Jewell, and Marty Graves. The city attorney was present.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to approve the minutes of February 9, 2026, regular meeting. Motion carried with all ayes.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Younger informed those present that PRI had completed their most recent paving repairs and that another list of repairs would be made soon. Younger also informed the board of a hole that opened on East College that was caused by infiltration on a line. Our crews were able to rule out any water leaks with the help of a thermal imaging camera and found the infiltration by smoking the lines. Repairs were made and we are hopeful that we have fixed the problem. Younger also informed those present that starting soon the street department will be doing pick up of limbs and leaves on Mondays and will be doing bulk pickup on Thursdays and Fridays. Dyer Volunteer Ball League signups have started but numbers are looking low for this year so spread the word about signups. Mayor Younger would like the board to consider paving more areas out from the school with the next round of sidewalk repairs. Younger also informed the board that he attended a meeting regarding the Tennessee Downtown Grant Program last week that he is hoping to apply for, which will be a 100% matching grant for the downtown area.

Department Reports

Recruitment and Retention Officer Jackson Summers updated the board that he has brought in a new recruit who will be certified soon. Summers is also working with some youths in the area to get them community service by assisting him with some work around the fire department.

Public Works Supervisor Dale Carroll updated the board that no more leaks have been discovered after the recent winter weather. Carroll also stated that the street department has been busy patching potholes that were formed due to the winter weather. Carroll informed the board about the street sweeper that he recommends purchasing to help keep our town and street looking nice. It will be an 83" sweeper with an enclosed box to catch the debris as it sweeps. They plan to run the sweeper every 2 weeks. The sweeper comes with a 2-year warranty and replacement bristles for the sweeper run \$1,000. The plan will be to surplus the old sweeper to help offset the cost of the new one. Mayor Younger would like all the departments to get together a list of items to be surplused.

The City Recorder reminded those present about the Tax Relief program for Tennessee homeowners.

Committee Reports

Alderman Reed informed those present of a recent budget committee meeting where the current budget was reviewed and everything looked to be in order.

Alderman Barron at the request of Chief Brad Lindsey asked that Sgt David Paschall be promoted to Captain and that Officer Steve Webb be promoted to Sergeant. Motion made by Jessica Dickinson, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to promote David Paschall to Captain. Motion carried with all ayes. Motion made by Jessica Dickinson, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to promote Steve Webb to Sergeant. Alderman Bryan Cathey stated, "We're going to have 8 police officers and 4 of them are going to be ranking officer." Cathey continued, "Why don't we keep it at three, half our staff will be ranking officers." More discussion continued about different roles and duties within the department. Motion carried with Reed, Dickinson, Hughey, Hall, Barron, Graves, and Jewell voting ayes. Alderman Bryan Cathey voted no.

Alderman Graves asked Dale Carroll if everything was in that had been ordered if parts used during the recent leaks had been replaced. Carroll informed the board that the jack hammer was in and that some parts have been replaced but we are waiting on a few fittings from G&C to have our stock replaced. Carroll also informed the board that the backhoe blew a hose that they would not replace and Thompson Machinery is working on the repair.

Unfinished Business

Mayor Younger asked the board that the Tornado Shelter policy be reviewed and updated as we approach severe weather season.

New Business

Motion made by Marty Graves, seconded by Michael Barron to approve Resolution 2026-351 A Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Tennessee Downtown Program. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to approve PO A-7218 to Smith & Loveless for \$4,856.00 for impeller for the grit remover at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jessica Dickinson to approve \$1,900.00 to Sullivan Fabricating for 4 4x8 steel plates. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jessica Dickinson to approve \$3,750.00 to Sullivan Fabricating for 3 sets of poles and frames for City of Dyer signs. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Kayla Hall to approve \$11,998.97 (100% Fire Marshall Grant reimbursable) to Area Wide Communication for 5 radios. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Jennifer Hughey, seconded by Kayla Hall to approve \$3,779.80 to Lee's Garage for repairs to Engine 1, Truck 1, and Engine 2. Motion carried with all ayes.

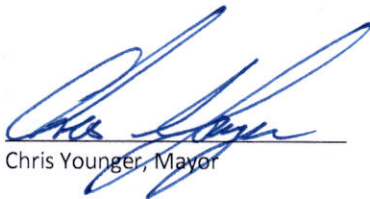
Motion made by Jessica Dickinson, seconded by Kayla Hall to approve up to \$5,976.00 to Thompson Machinery for purchase of a street sweeper. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Jennifer Hughey, seconded by Kayla Hall to approve up to \$1,000.00 for extra bristles for street sweeper. Alderman Cathey asked Dale Carroll how long the bristles should last. Carroll informed him they should last a while. Younger worries that the initial cleaning will put more wear on the bristles than normal and that a new set will be needed sooner than expected. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Jessica Dickinson to hire Rebecca Schuster to the Fire Department. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Kayla Hall to pay the accounts of February 9, 2026. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bryan Cathey, seconded by Kayla Hall to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.



Chris Younger, Mayor



Ashlee Starkey, City Recorder