City of Mt. Sterling
Regular Council Meeting
#5 Jefferson Road
September 21st, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Burge calls the general City of Mt. Sterling Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with roll call. ROLL CALL –Cole here, Schenk here, Ransom here, Scranton here, Robinson here, Ormond here.

Mayor Billie Burge, City Administrator Vada Yingling, Public Works Director Dusty Buss, Treasurer Cheryl Flynn, Fire Chief Brian Gallaher, City Attorney Lonnie Dunn, City Clerk Dane Flesner, and Police Chief Jess Bond are all present.

Mayor Burge – I would like to entertain a motion to approve the August minutes.

Alderman Ransom makes the motion to approve August minutes, seconded by Scranton. Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes.

Mayor Burge – I would like to entertain a motion to approve the August expenses.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to approve August expenses, seconded by Cole. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes, Cole yes.

Guest/Citizens Opportunity to Address the Council – Alderman Scranton makes the motion to approve Tim Wachter's request close the alley from the Hop Garden to Capitol from 4:00 p.m. till 10:00 p.m. on October 2nd for Witches Night Out, seconded by Schenk. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes, Cole yes, Schenk yes.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to allow Action Brown County to close North Capitol from Main St. to North St. during the Winter Festival, Dec. 4th from 3:30 p.m. till 9:00 p.m., seconded by Ransom. Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes, Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes.

Alderman Scranton makes the motion to approve Resolution #2026-08 allowing the Winter Festival Parade on Dec. 4th from 5:30 p.m. till 6:30 p.m., seconded by Cole. Robinson yes, Ormond yes, Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes.

Alderman Scranton makes the motion to allow Action Brown County to close W. North St. for Winter Festival, Dec. 4th, also from W. Court to the alley west of Farm Bureau

for the hours of 3:30 p.m. till 9:00 p.m., seconded by Ransom. Ormond yes, Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to allow Action Brown County to block off parking spaces on W. North St. from W. Court to alley beside Farm Bureau during Rink public hours of Thursdays: 3:00 till 8:00 p.m., Fridays 3:00 till 9:00 p.m., Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. till 9:00 p.m., and Sundays from 1:00 till 6:00 p.m. through the season from Nov. 27th, 2026, through Jan. 10th, 2027, seconded by Cole. Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes.

Old Business –

New Business – Alderman Robinson makes the motion to approve Resolution #2026-09 in support of the North Street City Trail multi-use path project application for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program funds for construction and associated engineering, seconded by Cole. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes, Cole yes.

Alderman Ransom makes the motion to approve Ordinance #2026-05 authorizing the sale of certain real estate owned by the City of Mt. Sterling, IL which is commonly known as 301 East South Street, seconded by Scranton. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes, Cole yes, Schenk yes.

Alderman Robinson makes the motion to approve the Engineering Agreement for the North St. Trail Project, seconded by Ransom. Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes, Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes.

Treasurer's Report – Cheryl gave report with no concerns or motions being raised.

Public Work's Report –

Committee Reports –

Airport –
Cemetery –
City Planning –
Finance/Budget –
Fire –
Lake/Lake Development –
Personnel –
Police –

Public Works –

TIF –

Zoning –

Zoning Board of Appeals –

Other Business – Alderman Cole makes the motion to accept and file all reports for the 09/21/2026 City Council Meeting, seconded by Scranton. Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom here, Scranton yes, Robinson yes, Ormond yes.

Executive Session –

Alderman Ransom makes the motion to adjourn, seconded by Scranton. Ormond yes, Cole yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Robinson yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Dane Flesner, City Clerk / Collector