

August 5, 2025

The Gallipolis City Commission met in a regular session on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at the Gallipolis Municipal Building, 333 Third Avenue, having complied with Section 9 of the City Charter.

City Commission member Mr. R. William "Bill" Jenkins called the meeting to order in the absence of the President and Vice-President. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence to think about what we can do for the City and as people.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Michael W. Brown, Member
R. William "Bill" Jenkins, Member
W. Matthew Johnson, Member

Others attending were:

John Westfall, City Manager			
Shelly Clonch, City Auditor			
Andrew Noe, City Solicitor			
Chad Vaughn, River Cities News			
Ronnie Lynch	Justin Rice	Justus Sellers	Keith Elliott
Mike Carter	Betty Jo Carter	Marvin Ours	Lester Plymale
Matthew Moreaux			

The commission received the minutes from July 15th before this meeting. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the July 15th minutes, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon voice vote, all votes were yes.

The privilege of the floor was granted to Matthew Moreaux and Justus Sellers, who were representing the Gallipolis skatepark community. Mr. Moreaux said they wanted to draw attention to some wear and tear on the ramps at the skatepark. He knew that the ramps were purchased from American Ramp Company and that there may be a 20-year warranty on them. Also, they wanted to see about painting to cover up graffiti and possibly get some lights up. Mr. Jenkins stated that our people need to go to the skatepark with them to assess what needs to be repaired. The City Manager said for them to get in contact with him to schedule a date.

Mr. Lester Plymale spoke up and said that the boat club still has not mowed their property next to his. He said that somebody in the City has the responsibility to follow the ordinances. Mr. Brown stated that he has gone down there and it is a mess. Mr. Jenkins replied that the City Manager will schedule a meeting between the City, the Boat Club, and Mr. Plymale.

The City Manager reported on the following:

- The water line project has started with the area in front of both schools, so work can be completed before school starts. There will be some disruptions and possibly a change in the traffic pattern. He has had some questions about the sidewalks that they are digging up, and stated that they will be replaced.
- We are moving slowly through the process with the Army Corps of Engineers with the mussel study and bank work. They want to go back 50-60 years before they grant permits, and construction cannot begin until then.
- The pickleball court will get the final coating, fence repaired, and nets put up in the next week. The plan is to have it open by Labor Day weekend.
- The pool season is winding down, and we plan to close down for the season on August 16th and the pool will then be winterized. We have had great attendance this year.

- The paving project was bid out, and he passed out a map of the area to be paved. The lowest bid received was from The Shelly Company for \$256,295.00. This will be broken down as \$124,999 OPWC grant, \$61,583 OPWC 0% loan, and \$69,713 local match.

The City Auditor presented eleven invoices over \$3,000 for approval of payment:

- \$7,731.75 from Arcadis for engineering - PFAS General Plan. Inv: 5/21/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$5,044.50 from Arcadis for engineering - PFAS General Plan. Inv: 4/7/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$5,057.50 from Arcadis for engineering - PFAS General Plan. Inv: 2/13/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$14,890.16 from Arcadis for engineering - Water Line Project. Inv: 6/13/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$24,775.00 from Arcadis for engineering - Water Line Project. Inv: 5/21/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$31,280.75 from Arcadis for engineering - Water Line Project. Inv: 4/7/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$52,590.00 from Arcadis for engineering - Water Line Project. Inv: 3/14/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$20,747.50 from Arcadis for engineering - Water Line Project. Inv: 2/13/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$20,500.00 from Smith Buick for a 2022 Equinox. Inv: 6/13/25. PO: 7/11/25.
- \$3,000.00 from the Treasurer of the State for annual MDT fees. Inv: 7/1/25. PO: 7/2/25.
- \$30,160.86 from Rumpke for trash collection. Inv: 6/17/25. PO: 7/2/25.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the payments, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

Ms. Clonch requested that any commission member who cannot attend the September 2nd meeting please let her know, because there will be emergency legislation that needs to be passed for bond issuance for the new fire trucks.

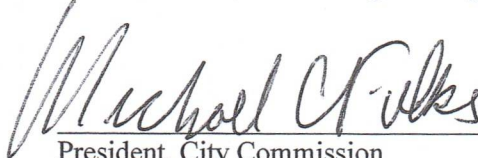
Mr. Jenkins requested that on the list they get in their packets for monthly park events, to include the name of the party that will be using each park.

Mr. Johnson encouraged everyone to go and support the car show this weekend in the City Park.

There was presented and read to the Commission as a first reading, Ordinance No. O2025-25 entitled **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND REJECTING BIDS FOR THE PAVING OF CITY STREETS**. Mr. Johnson made a motion to place the ordinance on the first reading, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon voice vote to place the ordinance on the first reading, all votes were yes.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.


Clerk, City Commission


President, City Commission