

City of Macedonia
Regular City Council Meeting
Macedonia City Hall
February 9, 2026

Council Present: Mayor Knoke, J. Keast, T. Keast, Swope, Wax, Faxon.

Staff Present: Alff, Emge, Vorthmann Public: Suzann Duede, Peggy Haines, Eric Jorgensen, Deb Shannon, Jill Keast, Brian Gardelin, John Mischo

Mayor Knoke called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Swope to Approve Agenda, 2nd by J Keast- All ayes, motion carried.

Brian Gardelin, from Back Forty presented Summer Events. Council stated no issues with plans would ask Brian to come to future council meetings with updates. Plans were made to have a Donia Day meeting at City Hall on Monday, February 16, 2026 at 7pm with public welcome to attend.

Eric Jorgensen from Synder Weir stated city received four bids for the weir project; Eric recommended Pierce Pump as were local and the best option. Eric would send contract and come back to March meeting to approve contract. City Clerk did apply for a grant and was denied.

A motion was made by T Keast to approve the bid for Pierce Pump to do the Weir Project. 2nd by J Keast. All ayes, motion passed.

Open Forum:

Melia Clark and Jill Keast for Macedonia Hamilton Preservation Corporation about possibly plans to restore city hall. A full report will presented at the next council meeting.

Deb Shannon filed written complaint and asked about disposing of the insulation from Woodmancy that is all over her field. Council advised her.

Peggy Haines voiced her concerns about lack of EMTs for the town. Mayor Knoke stated the Fire Department has one in training. MHPC is offering full payment to send someone. Volunteers are welcome to apply. Haines states the memorial on the corner of Dye, is being taken care of and family does visit it. Council asked them to try to keep it cleaned up.

Emge provided a water/sewer report. Still reporting leaks, he will try to borrow equipment to find any possible leaks. Emge also stated that in next six months would like to retire and asks the city to start looking to replace him.

Vorthmann provided maintenance report, council asked this spring she work on putting out cold patches on streets, fix sidewalk outside city hall. Evaluation was given stating make sure professional when doing city work and keep up on work best as possible. Hours to be figured monthly instead of weekly. T Keast is to order commercial mower for upcoming season.

Motion by T Keast to Approve Consent Agenda, 2nd by J Keast. The Consent Agenda consisted of January 13, 2026 Regular Meeting, February Bills, February Utility Report, February Clerk and Treasurer's Reports, Sheriff's Report, and County Animal Control Report. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by J Keast to approve the Public Hearing for the Proposed FY 26-27 Property Tax Levy for March 23, 2026, at 6:00pm with a Special Meeting after with the Macedonia Hamilton Preservation Corporation to discuss the possible plans for restoration of the City Hall. 2nd by Swope. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by J Keast to move the city's lock box from TS Bank that cost \$60 a year to the Carson Rolling Hills Bank for only \$22 a year. 2nd by Swope. All ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Swope to approve, Final Reading of Ordinance 183 to amend sewer rates 2nd by Wax. Roll call -Ayes Swope, T Keast, J Keast, Faxon, and Wax. Motion passed.

Motion by J Keast to approve Abate Nuisance for Trees on Evans St. 2nd by Swope. All ayes, motion passed.

Motion by J Keast to approve Resolution 2026-4 Setting Wages & Benefits for Employees. 2nd by Swope. Roll call -Ayes Swope, T Keast, J Keast, Faxon, and Wax. Motion passed.

Motion by Swope to update Employee handbook of meeting times and Federal Holidays with Resolution to be presented at next meeting 2nd by J Keast. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by J Keast to get bids for demo/clean up at 306 Woodmancy St. 2nd by Wax. All ayes, motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Swope, 2nd by J Keast- All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

City of Macedonia January 2026-Revenue: General \$4,830.62; Lost: \$10,489.20; Employee Benefits Levy: \$22.00; Road Use \$0.00; Water \$6,366.80; Sewer \$3,808.00. Total Revenue \$27,496.62. Expenses: General \$21,470.70; Lost: \$0.00; Employee Benefits Levy: \$703.26; Road Use \$1,581.41; Water \$12,855.75; Sewer \$3,225.52. Total Expenses \$41,804.34

Paden Knoke, Mayor

ATTEST: Liz Alff, City Clerk