

Town of Savanna Council Meeting

October 13, 2025 at 7pm at City Hall

Savanna Public Works Authority

Meeting called to Order by Coy

Roll Call: Coy, Rhonda, Nathan and Robbye (Absent)

Guests: Police Chief Matt Hines, Fire Chief Jeff Jones, Ruthy, and Coty Dedmon.

1. Motion by Coy to Approve Minutes of September 8, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
2. Motion by Coy to Approve Current Claims, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
3. CPA Services – Tabled by Coy
4. Financial Report – Tabled by Coy
5. RIG Grant – Katie shared the receipts and photos have been emailed for the reimbursement on the hydrants and pipes, will check account for those funds. The new grant for Backhoe was approved and the agreement needs to be reviewed and signed. Coy viewed and signed. Motion to Approve the RIG Grant Agreement, 2nd Nathan; Votes: Coy-Yes Nathan-Yes Rhonda-Yes
6. HWY 69 WATER LINES – No Updates, tabled by Coy.
7. SPWA News – Coty shared got water lines done, Coy and Coty discussed solutions on the shortage etc. Coty asked about sending the other two city workers for training, Council discussed the summer teen working program and mowing areas. Coty asked about the old police truck being used, the dangers of the engine power and add weight to help, lights can stay on the vehicle but don't abuse it. Coty asked about hiring a meter reader employee, but council worries if the work load would be enough for a full-time position. Council discussed with Coty city worker duties and raises in the future. No Action Needed.
8. Water Adjustments – None.
9. New Business – Todd Stone is opening a Pest control business and renting Mann's Building, so he asked if the town could run bigger lines and meter placement. Coty said he would put in 2-inch lines and a new meter. No Action Needed.
10. Public Discussions – None.

Motion to Adjourn by Coy, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan – Yes

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6. Recent and/or Upcoming Events – Nov. 1 1st Responders Softball game, coin toss to decide teams, we will have hot dogs, deer chili, and just have a good time. School had the 1st homecoming parade and they discussed this year's grand marshal and ideas for next year. Trick or Treat will be Friday Oct. 31 No Action needed.
7. City Work Business – Coty discussed sending city workers to training. No Action Needed.
8. Police – Matt shared going good, read financial report, Lab Fees have been corrected but need a total from Robbye town has paid for refund, Comdata report was reviewed, and Matt shared a letter from OMAG sharing any unauthorized personnel will not be covered so city employees and adult volunteer firefighters only will be covered, Matt said he has already reminded his officers before responding to a call or city business any unauthorized personnel must be dropped off first. After researching more on road closures, Matt shared the town can close a road per ordinance or resolution but ANY anyone that it will affect must be notified neighbors, utilities, etc. and in order for it to be fully permanent the person requesting the road closure must also submit a request in district court as well. The town has had issues with 3 properties here in town that are now becoming nuisances due to their trash, broke down trailers and/or cars, limbs, etc. in roads, alleyways, hydrants, etc. so vehicles are having to dodge it, it were cause first responders delays if they were to respond to a call nearby etc. Matt shared photo evidence. If the town agrees and votes the following properties mentioned are a public nuisance then he will ask the city attorney to type up a letter which he will personally hand deliver and if the issue is not corrected then the town can proceed to more legal actions and/or fines. Motion by Coy to declare the 3 properties shared by Chief Hines a public nuisance for the City of Savanna along with the rest of the Police Business discussed, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy-Yes Nathan-Yes Rhonda-Yes
9. Fire – Jeff shared things are running good, had fire prevention with the base fire dept at the school today it was good, new truck came and working on list of specs needed added so the town can put out a bid to get it outfitted. Little footballs were purchased with fire funds to be thrown at footballs with fire prevention saying printed on them but the town will reimburse the fire dept. No Action Needed.
10. New Business; Holiday schedule flexibility, council stated if the majority of employees agree on changes days off within reason, then the holiday day can be changed, but the holiday pay would not. That said City Hall would be closed Thursday and Friday not Wednesday and Thursday for Christmas Holidays. No Action.

11. Public Business; None

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