

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF TWIN OAKS,
TWIN OAKS CITY HALL
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026**

Mayor Fortune called the meeting of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen to order at 6:30 p.m.
Roll Call was taken:

In Attendance:

- Alderman Lisa Eisenhauer
- Alderman Joe Krewson
- Alderman Jim Crawford
- Alderman Tim Stoeckl
- Mayor Russ Fortune

Also Present:

- Paula Dries, Assistant City Clerk
- Paul Rost, City Attorney

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Fortune amended the agenda, moving the Public Works Report to item 7 for presentation and discussion, before calling for a motion to approve the agenda as amended.

- **Motion:** To approve the agenda as amended.
- **Moved by:** Alderman Crawford
Seconded by: Alderman Eisenhauer
Vote: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Edward Polk proposed installing a permanent Veterans Memorial and park bench at Twin Oaks Park. He shared examples of similar memorials and offered his assistance with the project. Board members expressed strong support for the idea. The Board will refer the proposal to the Park Committee for site and design recommendations. The Board discussed the option of forming a subcommittee to include veterans and residents to assist with planning.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the Regular Meeting Minutes from June 3, 2026, Bills List from May 30 to June 19, 2026, and Credit Card statement for May 2026.

- **Motion:** To approve the consent agenda.
Moved by: Alderman Stoeckl

Seconded by: Alderman Krewson

Vote: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSION/CONTRACTORS

FY2025 Financial Audit: Alan Schulte of UHY presented the City's FY2025 audit and noted that the City once again submitted a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) to the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for review.

Mr. Schulte reported that the City remains in a strong financial position. He noted that General Fund reserves now cover approximately 760 days of operating expenses. While expenditure has increased over the past decade, much of that growth is tied to capital improvement projects rather than day-to-day operations.

He also highlighted the City's fully funded pension program, stable sales tax base, and increased capital assets related to the Crescent Road project. All City funds finished the year under budget. Mr. Schulte reported no audit findings, no management recommendations, and no disagreements with staff. Board members thanked staff for their continued sound financial management and stewardship of City resources.

Financial Report: Financial Consultant Dave Watson presented the Financial Report for the month of May. He reported that the City remains on budget and is projected to end the year with approximately \$2.6 million in fund balances. He noted that the timing issue with the final R.V. Wagner invoice for the Crescent Road project affected year-end balances but is expected to be resolved. Sales tax revenues are currently lower than anticipated due to known late filings and should rebound in the coming months. Mr. Watson also advised the Board to plan for higher property insurance costs in next year's budget.

Public Works Report: Public Works Supervisor Jake Kemper presented the speed data collected from radar signs throughout the city. The Board reviewed and discussed ways to improve reporting and supported continued monitoring. Board members noted the importance of tracking traffic speeds, particularly with increased pedestrian and bicycle activity during the summer.

Mr. Kemper also provided updates on ongoing projects and maintenance activities. Planting continues throughout the park, and Omni Tree is scheduled to remove and trim hazardous trees near trails and playground areas. He reported that Austin has joined the Public Works team and has been an excellent addition.

Additional updates included substantial completion of the Park Lighting Phase II project, with final electrical connections still pending. Park Wi-Fi is now operational, replacement lighting for Big Bend has been ordered, and a new pond pump is expected within the next few weeks. Mr. Kemper also reported that bids were received for playground surface repairs, and the Board supported moving forward with the color-matched rubber option. The work is expected to require a brief playground closure for repairs and safety improvements.

Park Committee Report: Mayor Fortune provided a brief update on recent park events and preparations for the July 3rd Fireworks Celebration. He reported that planning is complete, with additional police staffing, signage, and safety measures in place to help ensure a successful event. He added that volunteers were invited to assist with decorating the pavilion area at 10:00 am on July 3rd.

Mayor Fortune also shared that Family Fun Day was well attended despite the weather and received positive feedback from residents. The children's train ride was especially popular, and the City is considering using the train for Park Lighting event.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2026-15A: A Resolution of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen Approving an Agreement with Precision Poured Rubber LLC for Playground Re-Surfacing in Twin Oaks Park. Assistant Clerk Dries read Resolution No. 2026-15. Mayor Fortune reviewed the two options presented to the Board: a color-matched repair (Resolution No. 2026-15A) or a black repair surface (Resolution No. 2026-15B). Following discussion, the Board unanimously selected the color-match repair option.

- **Motion:** To approve Resolution No. 2026-15A
Moved by: Alderman Crawford
Seconded by: Alderman Krewson
Vote: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

No Discussion Items.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No Attorney Report

ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK REPORT

The Administrator's Report was included in the Board packet and reviewed by the Board. Staff reminded Board members that there will be only one Board meeting in July, scheduled for July 15, 2026.

MAYOR AND ALDERMEN COMMENTS

Alderman Joe Krewson asked about park closures following the July 3rd celebration. Public Works Supervisor Jake Kemper explained that the park will be closed to vehicular traffic as needed during the upcoming improvement projects, but it will remain open to pedestrians except during the asphalt overlay work, when temporary full closures will be necessary.

Alderman Jim Crawford commented that Family Fun Day was well attended despite the weather. He noted that attendees complimented the beauty of the park, and the train was a favorite attraction, receiving positive feedback from guests.

FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting.

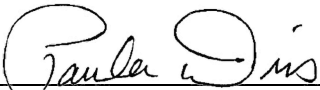
Motion: To adjourn the meeting

Moved by: Alderman Eisenhower

Seconded by: Alderman Krewson

Vote: Motion approved by three a unanimous voice vote

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Drafted By: 
Paula Dries
Assistant City Clerk

Date of Approval: 07-15-26

ATTEST:


April Milne
City Administrator/Clerk


Russ Fortune,
Mayor