

COMMON COUNCIL

August 11, 2025

The Common Council of the City of Wabash met in the Council Chambers of the City Hall and held a council meeting on Monday, August 11, 2025, in regular session.

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Scott Long presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison; Attorney Doug Lehman gave the prayer. The roll was answered by 5 Council members: Mitzi Pilgrim, Eric Schoening, Bill Barrows, John Burnsworth and Bryan Dillon. Terry Brewer and Charlie Coyne were absent.

The minutes of the meeting held July 28, 2025, were approved. Council Member Dillon made a motion to accept the minutes. Council Member Barrows seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Cameron Richison was sworn in as First-Class Patrolman by Mayor Long.**
- 2. Ron Miller was sworn in as a School Resource Officer by Mayor Long.**

OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business to come before the Council.

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Steve Cain of 4934 E. Salamonie Forest Rd. Lagro, Indiana came before the council and read a prepared statement regarding a vehicle with vulgar decals on the back window that is parked across the street from his daughter's daycare at the Wabash First United Methodist Church. Mr. Cain believed the truck decals were a "public nuisance" and should be removed. Attorney Doug Lehman addressed Mr. Cain and confirmed that the owner of the truck was protected under the First Amendment. Mayor Long offered to write a letter to the owner of the truck requesting he remove the decals. Attorney Lehman suggested the Mayor recommend the owner park the truck so the decals aren't visible from the street as an alternative to removing them.

REPORTS FROM LIAISONS:

School Board Liaison Bryan Dillon gave an update from the most recent meeting. The School Board recognized several accomplishments by individuals and teams for the Wabash High School Track team. He also informed the Council of the approval of new bus routes for the school, discussion of an increase in health insurance rates, enrollment numbers and the School Board's appreciation for an additional SRO by the City.

Council Member Dillon thanked the Street, Police, Fire and Wastewater Departments for their work on a recent project happening in his neighborhood.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

There were no reports from Department Heads.

Mayor Long asked if there were any Title VI or ADA compliance concerns. None were heard.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next City Council meeting will be held on Monday, August 25th at 6:00 pm.

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Wabash City Council meeting. A video archive of the meeting is available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YRQaI83kO-U&list=PLkorNZeiz7ImVSNs98Bqk9pBagTbtaC_&index=32 for as long as this media is supported.

SCOTT LONG, MAYOR



ATTEST:

JENNA M. DROOK, DEPUTY CLERK-TREASURER

