

REGULAR MEETING

The City of New Melle Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mayor Steve Burt. The meeting was held at the New Melle City Hall, located at 145 Almeling Street, New Melle, MO.

ROLL CALL

√ Mayor Steve Burt	√ Alderman Trevor Goodman
√ Alderman Brian Nelson	√ City Clerk Marcia Gay
√ Alderman Gary Schneider	√ Tony Follmer, Code Enforcement Officer
√ Alderman Janet Karrenbrock	√ Attorney Steve Martin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Burt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION PRAYER

Alderman Schneider led the Invocation Prayer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Schneider made a motion, seconded by Alderman Karrenbrock to approve the agenda for the Regular meeting of July 8, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion, seconded by Alderman Schneider to approve the minutes of June 10, 2025, Regular Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN FORUM

Mr. Chris Caldwell, 169 Cooperwyck Rd., expressed his appreciation for the public meeting for the Hwy Z/Foristell Rd Trail and Road Improvements projects conducted by Cochran Engineering. He said the meeting was very informative and answered many questions. He would like Cochran Engineering to consider the safety issues that might arise at the Landhaus location, 300 Foristell Rd. This rental venue has a lot of traffic going in and out of the parking area that may impact the trail crossing at that location. Also of a safety concern is the proposed trail crossing at the library at Fiddlestix. The residents would like to preserve the magnolia trees and would like to discuss placing the trail at a location that would be a less dangerous Highway Z crossing.

Mr. Sam Cummins, 3640 Schutzen St., had questions concerning the Mill St. improvements. He has concerns if the Engineering firm is designing the storm sewer locations within the ordinances of the city and that the locations are not in the best interest of the resident's properties. He also questions whether the overflow addresses the high volume of run off during storms. He's still looking for answers to these questions.

Open Forum was closed at 6:13 p.m. by Mayor Burt

FINANCE REPORT

City Clerk Gay submitted June 2025 Balance Sheets. Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodman to approve the balance sheets for June 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Cochran Engineering was not represented.

1. Alderman Karrenbrock reported on the Mill St./Schutzen St. Sidewalk project: The project has started on the north end of Mill St. placing storm sewers. Several Ameren poles have to be relocated. Operations may move to other locations until the poles have been relocated.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Tony Follmer, Code Enforcement Officer:

Officer Follmer had recently contacted Mr. Wolf, owner of the property next to Dollar General, to maintain the overgrown lot at that location. If Mr. Wolf does not make arrangements to cut the brush and weeds then the city will see it is taken care of and invoice the property owner.

Officer Follmer also spoke with the owner of property at 110 Almeling. The owner was not aware of the situation as they live out of town, but now have cleaned up the trash and will maintain the grounds in the future.

A resident sent an email regarding the property at 22B Peter St. Research and discussion discovered this property is R-1C and the apartment is not out of compliance with the zoning regulations. The established business in 22A was grandfathered when the city ordinances were established. The resident can take complaints up with the renter and/or property owner as there are no code violations.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business for discussion

NEW BUSINESS

1. Current road project proposed costs were reviewed for budget allowance to replace slabs in Sycamore Creek subdivision. It was brought to discussion if temporary asphalt repairs can be done until costs can be reviewed. A Work Session meeting will be scheduled for further review and discussion.
2. Accept the Resignation of Alderman Gary Schneider, Ward II. Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nelson, to accept the resignation of Alderman Schneider. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Burt expressed his appreciation to Gary for his many years of dedication and valued service to the community.
3. Appoint Alderman to Ward II. Alderman Nelson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodman to appoint Commissioner David Gust through the rest of this term, ending with the April 7, 2026 election. Motion passed unanimously. City Clerk Marcia Gay swore in David Gust as the new Alderman. Welcome Alderman Gust.

The Board of Aldermen requests a Work Session Meeting to be held before the next Regular Meeting at 4:00 P.M. on TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025.

The next Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting will be TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025, at City Hall, 145 Almeling St., 6:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Goodman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Karrenbrock to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Gay, City Clerk

