

# City of Crossville

392 North Main Street  
Crossville, Tennessee 38555



## Minutes

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

12:00 PM

Conference Room 317

## Call for Special Meeting

*Mayor R.J. Crawford*  
*Council Member Art Gernt*  
*Council Member Mike Turner*  
*Council Member Mark A. Fox*  
*Council Member James Mayberry*  
*City Manager Valerie Hale*  
*City Clerk Baylee Rhea*

**Call to Order**

*The Crossville City Council met for its Special Called meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at Crossville City Hall. Mayor Crawford was present and presiding. He called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.*

**Roll Call**

**Present** 5 - Mayor R.J. Crawford, Council Member Art Gernt, Council Member Mike Turner, Council Member Mark A. Fox, and Council Member James Mayberry

*Others present were City Manager Valerie Hale, City Clerk Baylee Rhea, City Attorney Randy York, Lee Lawson, Nathan Clouse, Leah Crockett, Chris Kendrick, Rob Harrison, Tim Begley, Kevin Music, Ethan Hadley, Shea James, Chris South, Shea James, and Serena Vasudeva.*

**Public Comment**

*There were no comments made.*

**1. Ordinances on Third Reading****a. Ordinance amending FY24-25 budget for end of year adjustments**

*A budget amendment is necessary for the end of year adjustments.*

**A motion was made by Council Member James Mayberry, seconded by Council Member Mark A. Fox, to adopt the ordinance on third reading. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Mayor R.J. Crawford, Council Member Art Gernt, Council Member Mike Turner, Council Member Mark A. Fox and Council Member James Mayberry

**b. Ordinance approving FY25-26 Budget**

*Council member Turner discussed increasing Fair Park Senior Center donation to \$20,000.*

*Council member Fox asked about Department Heads' involvement in budget and requested to hear from them next year during budget discussions.*

*Council member Mayberry stated he would like to add several outside agencies back in to the budget. He listed the following: Hospice for \$5,000, VORP in the amount of \$2,000, The Avalon Center in the amount of \$3,000, an additional \$5,000 to Fair Park Senior Center, an additional \$5,000 for the Veteran's Service Office, and move Fire Station 1's remodel to the following fiscal year.*

*Mayor Pro-tem Gernt agreed to amend his former motion to include the additional*

*outside agencies. Mayor Crawford did not agree to amend the motion, so the original motion was to be voted on.*

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem Art Gernt, seconded by Mayor R.J. Crawford, to adopt the ordinance on third reading. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor R.J. Crawford, Council Member Art Gernt and Council Member Mark A. Fox

**Nay:** 2 - Council Member Mike Turner and Council Member James Mayberry

**c. Ordinance approving FY25-26 Tax Rate**

*Approval of the FY25-26 tax rate in the amount of .0659 is requested. The current tax rate is .6059.*

**A motion was made by Council Member James Mayberry, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Art Gernt, to adopted the ordinance on third reading. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Mayor R.J. Crawford, Council Member Art Gernt, Council Member Mike Turner, Council Member Mark A. Fox and Council Member James Mayberry

**2. Ordinances on First Reading**

**a. Ordinance approving the abandonment Right-of-Way for a portion of Livingston Road**

*The City of Crossville and the Sports Authority of the City of Crossville are proposing the abandonment of ROW and dedication of new Right-of-way for Livingston Road. The Crossville Regional Planning Commission has recommended approval to abandon a portion of the Right-of-Way on Livingston Road.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Art Gernt, seconded by Council Member James Mayberry, approve the ordinance on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Mayor R.J. Crawford, Council Member Art Gernt, Council Member Mike Turner, Council Member Mark A. Fox and Council Member James Mayberry

**3. Other Business**

**a. Discussion and action of Rotary Clock agreement**

*The Rotary Club agrees to donate \$31,495.00 for the purchase of a Verdin Four-sided post clock with a custom header for installation at or near the corner of Main Street and 3rd Avenue, Crossville, Tn. near the Crossville Depot. The agreement has been proposed to allow for the purchase and installation of the Verdin Rotary Clock. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Art Gernt, seconded by Council Member Mike Turner, to approve the agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Mayor R.J. Crawford, Council Member Art Gernt, Council Member Mike Turner, Council Member Mark A. Fox and Council Member James Mayberry

**b.** Discussion and action to terminate contract with Kidwell & Co.

**This item was withdrawn from the agenda.**

**c.** Approval of a resolution for FY25/26 outside agencies donations

**This item was passed within the third reading of the budget.**

### **Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Council Member James Mayberry, seconded by Council Member Mark A. Fox, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**