

CITY OF HERITAGE CREEK

Minutes Regular Scheduled Meeting June 9, 2025

The Honorable Mayor Williams of the City of Heritage Creek met with the City Council in a regular scheduled meeting on June 9, 2025.

Council members approved Chief Marc Kaiser to record the minutes during the City Clerk's absence. A motion was made by Councilmember Joe Soeder and seconded by Councilmember Billy Mitchell. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Williams reminded those who wish to speak to wait until the residents' comments section on the agenda.

Roll Call

**Billy Mitchell P
Benny Warford P**

**Karen Skinner P
Angie Soeder P**

**Joe Soeder P
Mary Jean Whitehouse P**

Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Joe Soeder made a motion to approve the May 12, 2025 regular meeting minutes. Councilmember Mary Jean Whitehouse seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Financial Report May 2025

Councilmember Billy Mitchell made a motion to accept the financial report. Councilmember Benny Warford seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Councilmember Benny Warford, as a point of interest, referred to the amount of base court revenue the city has received so this fiscal year and that the amount is a result of state citations written by our officers which proves they are active in enforcing state laws.

Police Department – May 2025

Chief Kaiser presented the monthly police report and answered all questions. The Chief also discussed the recent car theft that occurred June 1, 2025. He also shared that on June 5, 2025 Officer Staley, while working off duty at the L&N Federal Credit Union, was able to apprehend a suspect who robbed the bank. Her quick response resulted in his arrest by LMPD a short time later. Chief Kaiser informed the council and the public of the importance of the V.I.P. program where we check on those who live by themselves. The program also gives us an additional contact in the event we are unable to make contact through our visits. Councilmember Karen Skinner asked if the Chief would talk briefly about the ICE 287g program.

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Community Club

Mayor Williams stated there was nothing to report. Councilmember Angie Soeder stated we needed to decide on whether to cater the picnic. No action was taken.

New Business

Second Reading of the 2025 Property Tax Ordinance

A motion was made by Councilmember Billy Mitchell to have Chief Kaiser read the ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Joe Soeder. Motion carried 6-0. A motion was made by Councilmember Joe Soeder to approve the second reading, seconded by Councilmember Karen Skinner. Motion carried 6-0.

Second Reading of the 2025 Sanitation Tax Ordinance

A motion was made by Councilmember Benny Warford to have Chief Kaiser read the ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Mary Jean Whitehouse. Motion carried 6-0. A motion was made to approve the second reading of the ordinance by Councilmember Billy Mitchell and was seconded by Councilmember Benny Warford. Motion carried 6-0.

First Reading of the 2025-2026 Budget Ordinance

A motion was made by Councilmember Joe Soeder to have Mayor Williams read the budget ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Karen Skinner. Motion carried 6-0. A motion was made by Councilmember Benny Warford to approve the First Reading of the ordinance., seconded by Councilmember Mary Jean Whitehouse. Motion carried 6-0.

Unfinished Business

Fischer Update – Villages of Heritage Creek. – Mayor Williams stated he had not heard from Fischer Homes or the City Attorney with regards to resolving the planting of trees on the City's easement. Councilmember Karen Skinner stated she had researched Louisville Metro ordinances and was not clear how they can apply to our city.

Resident Comments

Resident Nathan Russell stated his displeasure of our Police participating in the ICE 287g program.

Resident Alfreo Padron presented the council with printed material with regards to allowing residents to own chickens. He discussed the benefits of allowing them.

Council members explained that if the Ordinance was changed it would allow all residents to have any farm animal. Mayor Williams stated that a citizen committee formed the ordinances when the city moved to its new location. Resident Kim Davis stated she was on the committee back then and is still a member of it. Resident Randall Lucas stated that these are the City of Heritage Creek's rules. Councilmember Angie Soeder took an informal poll of the city council of which all stated that would not be in favor of amending

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the current ordinance. Resident Alex Kleinhenz suggested that Mr. Padron circulate a petition and see if he could get enough signatures to present to the city council.

Councilmember Benny Warford stated that the ordinances were designed by the citizens of Heritage Creek. Councilmember Karen Skinner stated that some H.O.A.s and other home rule cities do not allow chickens either and that when she researched having chickens, they were not good for several reasons.

Resident Jerry Kiper asked about the landscaping at the entrance to Justice Way and that he noticed heavy equipment was using the Justice Way entrance instead of Tribute. Mayor Williams said he would contact Judy at Fischer Homes.

Council Comments

Councilmember Angie Soeder wanted to know when the landscaping would be completed. Mayor Williams stated he would check with Mike Angelini to see.

Mayor Comments

Mayor Williams had no comments.

Close Meeting

Councilmember Mary Jean Whitehouse made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Karen Skinner. Motion carried 6-0. The meeting closed at 8:50 pm.



Fred D. Williams, Mayor



Minutes recorded by Marc J. Kaiser, Chief of Police