

City of Melbourne
Regular City Council Meeting
June 9, 2025
7:00 at Library basement

Melbourne City Council met in regular session on June 9, 2025, at 7:00 pm at the Melbourne Library basement. Present were Council persons Gaege Bracy, Beth Smith and Beth Opperman. Also in attendance were Mayor Mansager, Jessica Horn and City Clerk Pothast. Meeting was called to order at 7 pm, and the pledge was led by Mayor Mansager. Opperman made a motion to approve the consent agenda with Smith offering a second. Vote was all ayes. There were no public comments or concerns. Deputy Rogers gave the Sheriff's office report. There were no questions.

In building permits, Gaege Bracy filed a permit for a garage at 609 4th Street. He discussed the plans and then abstained for the vote due to conflict of interest. Motion to approve the permit by Opperman, 2nd by Smith. Motion passed and building permit was approved. Next permit was from Heartland Property Co-op for a ground mounted solar array. Council discussed the layout, and motion to approve the permit made by Bracy, 2nd by Opperman. Vote was all ayes. Jessica Horn introduced herself as head of the playground equipment committee and asked to proceed with applying for grants and other financial assistance for the project. The council thanked her for taking on the project. She will be working with the Clerk's office on future financing projects. They have already secured a \$500 grant from MidWestOne Bank, money from the Melbourne First Responders and Melbourne Fire, and some personal donations as well.

The property at 307 2nd Street was next on the agenda. Council has questions that need to be answered by the City Attorney prior to proceeding with any action and are waiting for a response.

The Wage Resolution 2025-06-01 to approve employee wages was presented. Motion to approve made by Smith, 2nd by Bracy. Vote was all ayes. An agreement for professional services for Allender Butzke Engineers for soil boring for the new lagoon geotechnical investigation for approximately \$7790 was presented. It is a required step proceeding with the lagoon project. It should be covered by the Planning & Design loan. Motion to approve by Bracy, 2nd by Smith. Vote was all ayes to approve. Clerk presented the contract with Coca Cola for a pop machine outside the rec center/pool. The Pepsi machine was removed by the new company servicing them, citing not covering this area as a reason. The City has struggled to find new vendors. The City will purchase the pop from Coca Cola and fill the machine. Motion to approve by Smith, 2nd by Bracy. Vote was all ayes.

ROW tree removal questions have been raised, and Mayor Mansager asked the Council to look at trees located near 306 3rd Avenue, and near 211 3rd Avenue. They will discuss further in July.

There was no further information from InRoads, and nuisances were being handled. Donations for fireworks have successfully covered the cost for the July 4th show. They will be held on July 4, with a rain date of July 5. Thank you to everyone who made donations. Melbourne fireworks policy will follow the new state code.

Motion to adjourn made by Opperman, 2nd by Bracy. Vote was all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

EXPENSES: General \$25,435.51, Road Use \$1513.84, Emp Benefits \$1175.17, LOST 1st Responders \$1903.16, Water \$11,995.74, Sewer \$6758.46, Total Expenses by Fund: \$48,781.88.

REVENUES: General \$18,730.93, Road Use \$8849.73, Emp benefits \$1033.29, LOST Fire \$1515.25, Lost First Resp \$1230.08, Pool total \$1236.80, LOST Rec Center \$1608.35, Water \$20,591.74, Sewer \$20,675.87. Total Revenues by Fund: \$75,472.04.

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