

**COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS-CITY HALL
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JANUARY 6, 2026 -7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Kendallville met in regular session January 6, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

Roll call was answered by: Mayor Lance Waters, Council Member Amy Ballard, Council Member Corey Boese, Council Member Shari Targgart, Attorney Jacob Atz, and Council Member Christopher McCreery. Council Member Tara Streb was absent.

Others present were Katie Ritchie, April Waters, Scott Derby, Brad Targgart, and John Dixon.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

MINUTES/ MEETING

Minutes from December 16, 2025, Common Council meeting was presented for review. Council Member Christopher McCreery made a motion to approve with a second from Council Member Shari Targgart. The motion passed 4 ayes – 0 nays.

PETITIONS OR COMMENTS

No petitions or comments were given.

MAYOR

Appointment of Council President

Council Member Christopher McCreery made a motion to nominate Council Member Amy Ballard as Council President for 2026 with a second from Council Member Shari Targgart. The motion passed 3 ayes- 0 nays. Council Member Ballard abstained.

ALLOWANCE OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

Council Member Amy Ballard presented bills and claim numbers 81357 through 81454 for \$2,732,436.07 for approval. Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to approve the bills and claims with a second by Council Member Shari Targgart. Clerk Treasurer Katie Ritchie told the audience that the higher amount was due to transfers that were approved at the last meeting and some higher payments for the sewer bond and construction projects. The motion passed 4 ayes-0 nays.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Council Member Amy Ballard made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Council Member Shari Targgart. Mayor Lance Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:03 P.M.

Kathren R. Ritchie- Clerk Treasurer

Minutes approved by me this 20th of January 2026

Lance L. Waters-Mayor