



TOWN OF MOUNT CARMEL

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Town of Mount Carmel, Tennessee Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held at Mount Carmel Town Hall, 100 East Main Street, on May 21, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

5:30 pm by Mayor John Gibson

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Vice-Mayor Bare and Alderman Shugart

ROLL CALL:

BMA	Present	Absent	Town Administration Present
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		Jim Stables, Town Manager
Alderman James Cross	✓		Tyler Williams, Asst. Town Manager/CFO/Recorder
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		Allen Coup, Town Attorney
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

WELCOME FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Gibson welcomed everyone

APPROVAL and/or correction of the April 23, 2026, Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting minutes, departmental and financial reports.

Motion: Alderman Shugart

Second: Alderman Binstock

Approved: All present voting in favor

VISITOR COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING: Ordinance 26-546: Budget Amendment PUBLIC HEARING:

No public comment given.

Motion to Close: Vice-Mayor Bare
Second: Alderman Binstock

APPROVAL:

Motion: Alderman Shugart
Second: Vice-Mayor Bare

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

B. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING: Ordinance 26-547: Adopting Annual Budget PUBLIC HEARING:

No public comment given.

Motion to Close: Alderman Binstock
Second: Alderman Shugart

APPROVAL:

Motion: Vice-Mayor Bare
Second: Alderman Shugart

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

NEW BUSINESS

A. FIRST READING: Repeal Ordinance 24-535: Municipal Juge Appointment

Motion: Alderman Shugart

Second: Alderman Binstock

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

B. FIRST READING: Resolution 26-678: Appoint Town Attorney

Option 2: Continue month-to-month representation with May & Coup

Motion: Alderman Shugart

Second: Alderman Binstock

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick		✓	
Alderman James Cross		✓	
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam		✓	
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare		✓	
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

Totals: 3 4 - Motion fails

Option 1: To accept attorney representation agreement with Spurrell, Studer,& Matney Law Group. Mayor's signature contingent on an agreeable time policy (to and from) acceptable to the board.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Bare

Second: Alderman Cross

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart		✓	

Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson		✓	

Totals: 5 2 - Motion carries

C. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION: Resolution 26-679: Appoint Bill Rupert as Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Provider

Motion: Alderman Shugart

Second: Alderman Cross

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

D. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION: Amendment to WWTP Operation and Maintenance Agreement with Inframark, LLC

Motion: Alderman Shugart

Second: Alderman Binstock

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

E. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION: MOU with Goodwill Industries of Tenneva, Inc.

Motion: Alderman Shugart
Second: Alderman Binstock

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

F. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION: Acceptance of Bid for Mount Carmel Park Parking Lot Paving

Motion: Alderman Shugart
Second: Alderman Binstock

	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

G. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION: Acceptance of Bid for FY 26/27 Street Paving

Motion: Alderman Shugart
Second: Alderman Binstock

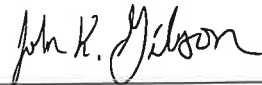
	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Alderman Darby Patrick	✓		
Alderman James Cross	✓		
Alderman Mindy Shugart	✓		
Alderman Philip Binstock	✓		
Alderman Jim Gilliam	✓		
Vice-Mayor Jim Bare	✓		
Mayor John Gibson	✓		

ADJOURN

Motion: Alderman Shugart at **6:12 P.M.**

Second: Alderman Binstock

Approved: *All present voting in favor*

Approve: 
John Gibson, Mayor

Attest: 
Tyler Williams, Town Recorder

