

**MARTINSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL
MARTINSVILLE INDIANA
MORGAN COUNTY, INDIANA
OCTOBER 14, 2025**

Call to Order, Invocation., and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kenny Costin called the Martinsville Common Council meeting to order on October 14, 2025. Pastor Rick Bailey led the prayer for those in attendance. Mayor Costin then led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Councilor At Large John
Badger XIV Councilor District
5 Phil Deckard II Councilor
District 3 Josh Ferran
Councilor District 2 Ben
Mahan

A quorum was declared present.

Consideration of the Minutes

A. September 22, 2025, Common Council Meeting Minutes

A motion to Approve was made by Councilor At Large John Badger XIV. Ben Mahan seconded the motion. The minutes were Passed 4-0.

Proclamation

The mayor read a proclamation celebrating the Martinsville Noon Lions Club's 100th Anniversary.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

Clerk Treasurer Ben Merida gave the council a budget update.

Committee Report

**A. Study Committee Regarding City Code Article V, Division 1, Section 18-191
- Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants**

No update at this time.

New Business

A. Second Reading and Consideration Ordinance Number 2025-1904 - 2026 City Budget

A motion to Approve was made by Councilor At Large John Badger XIV. Phil Deckard II seconded the motion. The motion was Passed 4-0.

B. Consideration of Resolution 2025-0715 - Authorizing the Establishment of Bank Account for Martinsville City Court

A motion to Approve was made by Councilor District 5 Phil Deckard II. John Badger XIV seconded the motion. The motion was Passed 4-0.

C. Consideration of Resolution 2025-0716 - Authorizing Additional Users on Account Number 9481

A motion to Approve was made by Councilor District 5 Phil Deckard II. Ben Mahan seconded the motion. The motion was Passed 4-0.

Consideration of Claims

A motion to Approve was made by Councilor District 5 Phil Deckard II. John Badger XIV seconded the motion. The motion was Passed 4-0.

Council Comments

Councilors Ferran and Deckard, II made comments.

Public Comment

Next Regular Meeting

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, October 27, 2025, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers (Room 202), City Hall, 59 S. Jefferson St., Martinsville, Indiana

Adjournment

Name		Signature
Phil R. Deckard II, Member, District 5, President Pro Tempore	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Phil R. Deckard Sr, Member, District 1	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Ben Mahan, Member, District 2	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Josh Ferran, Member, District 3	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Suzie Lipps, Member, District 4	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Ann Miller, Member-at-Large	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
John Badger, XIV, Member-at-Large	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
ATTEST		
Name	Signature	Date
Benjamin K. Merida, Clerk-Treasurer		
MAYOR ACTION		
Name	Signature	Date
Kenneth W. Costin, Mayor	Approve ☐ Veto ☐	