

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of London, Kentucky.  
August 4, 2025**

A meeting of the City Council of London, Kentucky, was held on August 4, 2025, at 5:31 PM at the London Community Center. Mayor Weddle presided, and the following duly qualified and acting members of the City Council were present:

Anthony Ortega, Justin Young, Jim Baker, Stacy Bengé, Kelly Greene, Judd Weaver.  
City Attorney Lary G. Bryson and Council Attorney Conrad Cessna were also present.

**Call to Order and Agenda Amendment**

- Ortega made a motion to amend the agenda, seconded by Baker. Roll call vote:  
Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Bengé-Yes        Kelly Greene-Yes

The agenda was amended to include new items- approve minutes from July 2025, Old Business: 2025-04 Development Ordinance, 2025-05 Anti-Bullying Ordinance, and Line of Credit.

**Approval of Minutes**

-Motion was made by Greene to approve the minutes from the July 7, 2025, meeting and seconded by Bengé.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Bengé-Yes    Kelly Greene-Yes

**Development Ordinance 2025-04**

- Motion to present Ordinance 2025-04 for a vote by Ortega, seconded by Baker.  
- Roll call vote: The ordinance was not approved.

Anthony Ortega-No    Justin Young-No    Judd Weaver-No  
Jim Baker-No        Stacy Bengé-No    Kelly Greene-No

**Anti-Bullying Ordinance 2025-05**

- Discussion regarding the status of the ordinance; determined to be a "dead issue" for now, with the possibility of revisiting later.

- Motion to present Ordinance 2025-05 for a vote by Ortega, seconded by Greene.

- Roll call vote: The ordinance was not approved.

Anthony Ortega-No    Justin Young-No    Judd Weaver-No  
Jim Baker-No        Stacy Bengé-No    Kelly Greene-No

Mayor's Request for Line of Credit

- Motion made by Ortega and seconded by Baker to present the mayor's request for a line of credit for a vote.

- Roll call vote: All present voted no. The request was not approved.

Anthony Ortega-No    Justin Young-No    Judd Weaver-No  
Jim Baker-No        Stacy Bengé-No    Kelly Greene-No

Approval of Bid for Truck Replacement

- Motion made by Bengé and seconded by Greene to approve the bid for a truck replacement.

- Roll call vote: All present voted yes. The bid was approved.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Bengé-Yes    Kelly Greene-Yes

Kentucky Infrastructure Authority Loan for Water Office

- Motion made by Bengé and seconded by Ortega to approve the water office borrowing from the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority.

- Roll call vote: All present voted yes. The loan was approved.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Bengé-Yes    Kelly Greene-Yes

Approval of New 911 Interlocal Agreement

- Motion made by Baker and seconded by Greene to approve the agreement with the Laurel County Fiscal Court.

- Roll call vote: All present voted yes. The agreement was approved.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Bengé-Yes    Kelly Greene-Yes

Grant for Boone Trades Trail Improvement

- Motion made to table the item for September.
- Roll call vote: All present voted yes. The item was tabled.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
 Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Benge-No        Kelly Greene-Yes

Myers Baker Road Project

- Discussion regarding state funding and project costs.
- Motion made by Benge and seconded by Baker to approve the project.
- Roll call vote: All present voted yes. The project was approved.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
 Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Benge-Yes    Kelly Greene-Yes

Resolution to Issue Charges Against the Mayor and Set Public Hearing

- Resolution read into the record, detailing charges of misconduct and willful neglect against Mayor Randall Weddle.
- Motion by Benge to table the resolution failed for lack of a second.
- Motion made by Greene and seconded by Young to approve the resolution.
- Roll call vote: 5 yes, 1 no.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes  
 Jim Baker-Yes        Stacy Benge-No        Kelly Greene-Yes

Legal counsel for the council (Cessna) advised that a majority is sufficient to proceed with charges, but unanimity is required for removal. The City's attorney disagreed and did not believe the vote passed without it being unanimous.

- Decision made to allow attorneys to confer and advise the council on legal requirements and next steps.

-TJ Roberts stated the city council had retained him to assist Conrad on this matter.

-Mayor Weddle asked when the motion to hire Mr. Roberts was made. Mr. Roberts was told to sit down until the motion to hire had been approved.

Motion to Hire Additional Legal Counsel

-Motion made to hire Chris Weast, Attorney at Law, by Weaver and seconded by Greene.

Anthony Ortega-Yes    Justin Young-Yes    Judd Weaver-Yes

Jim Baker-Yes                      Stacy Benge-No                      Kelly Greene-Yes

Motion to Adjourn

-Weaver made a motion to adjourn, which Benge seconded.

-Point of order made by Weaver.

Anthony Ortega-No      Justin Young-No      Judd Weaver-No

Jim Baker-No                      Stacy Benge-Yes      Kelly Greene-No

SBA Tornado Relief Update

- SBA representative provided an update on disaster loan assistance for tornado victims, including statistics on applications and loans offered.

\*Discussion over whether Resolution 2025-05 passed or not between the council, the Mayor, and attorneys Bryson, Cessna, and Mr.Roberts.

\*Mr. Roberts discussed with the council and crowd, and in his opinion, the resolution did pass 5 to 1.

Motion to appeal

-Motion to appeal by Weaver for failing to recognize the resolution.

Adjournment

-Motion to adjourn was made by the chair, Mayor Weddle, at 6:15 PM.

*Ashley Tapa*  
Acting City Clerk.

*Paul Allen*  
Mayor