

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, January 28, 2026

****This meeting was rescheduled from Monday, January 26, 2026 due to a flood at City Hall ****

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Dave Brandmeyer at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28, 2026, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Deien, Hooker, Bridick, Jervis (absent), Rakers, Sims

Also present was Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Director of Public Works Andy Brockhahn, Treasurer Megan Donjon, Barry Sieron,

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC INPUT

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Brandmeyer stated that he spoke with Representative Charlie Meier about the solar farm legislation. Representative Meier stated that initially the bill was a solid one with many safeguards for municipalities. By the time it went through a bi-partisan committee what we got is what was left. New legislation will allow for battery storage facilities within corporate limits. This is not good news.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Rakers would like for someone to reach out to Republic Services. He received several complaints that they sent out a robo call at 2:00 a.m. regarding service pickups. Alderman Hooker said that he will need to reschedule the Public Works committee meeting which had been scheduled for Tuesday, February 3, 2026. He will find another date and time and let everyone know.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Director of Public Works said that City Hall had a water line break and most of City Hall was flooded. Servpro was called immediately and they will likely be on site for at least 3 more days to remove the moisture. A temporary location has been secured, and City Hall will be moving to 9 W Broadway while renovations take place. The adjuster was out today and the next steps were reviewed.

CONSENT AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Minutes of the January 12, 2026 Regular Council meeting. Second Alderman Rakers. All yes, Jervis absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Ordinance 1884 Amending Chapter 38-6-14 (c) of the City of Trenton Code of Ordinances. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, Jervis absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve Ordinance 1885 Approving Agreement Between City of Trenton and Hank's Bowl, Inc. for Tax Increment Finance Proceeds. Second Alderman Sims. All yes, Rakers abstain, Jervis absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Bridick made a motion to Approve Ordinance 1886 Approving Agreement Between City of Trenton and Trenton Professional Building for Tax Increment Finance Proceeds. Second Alderman Hooker. All yes, Jervis absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Award Bid to Visu Sewer for 2026 sewer lining in the amount of \$104,297.60. Second Alderman Rakers, all yes, Jervis absent. Motion carried. Director Brockhahn said that this will be for about 2300 feet of pipe lining. There will be one spot from Main to Adams, and the rest will be in the 2nd Street and Parkview area.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Sims made a motion to Approve Ordinance 1886 Granting Special Use at 413 W. Broadway. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, Jervis absent. Motion carried.

Director Brockhahn talked about the pipe grouting process. He stated that rather than digging, storm sewer lines are sealed from the inside. There is a sinkhole that has developed near the police station. Director Brockhahn would like to grout the storm sewer from Main street to the ambulance shed. This is approximately 632 feet of line and the cost would be about \$32,000.00. The engineers estimate it would cost over \$125,000.00 to replace that line. In addition, there is a water line located on top of this storm sewer line. That would need to be moved if one was to replace the storm sewer. Alderman Hooker spoke in favor of grouting. He stated it is a cost-effective way to repair lines and you don't tear up your street.

CLOSED SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Rakers made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Sims. All yes, Jervis absent. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk