

CITY OF KNOB NOSTER
Board of Aldermen Session
Meeting Minutes—June 2, 2026

1. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.
2. Invocation.
3. MAYOR BYERLY called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. All present included: ALDERMEN PALMER, WRAY, GOUCHER, KLEOPPEL and SMITH. A quorum was verified.
4. ALDERMAN SMITH made motion to approve the Agenda with a second by ALDERMAN PALMER. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.
5. ALDERMAN KLEOPPEL to approve the consent agenda consisting of a motion:
 - a. Approving minutes of the May 17, 2026, Board of Aldermen meeting minutes.

ALDERMAN SMITH seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

6. The Board of Aldermen reviewed the bill list.

*****ALDERMAN THERING arrives at 6:02pm*****

7. ALDERMAN SMITH said the KN Fair was a success. There were 345 entrants to the 5K race. He felt that the weather might have prevented some people from attending/participating in the KN Fair parade. He mentioned potholes on Westside Drive. He said that the water leak on Washington is still affecting the church sump pump. ALDERMAN GOUCHER queried about the sinkhole on 8th Street. The PW Supervisor said that there was a 24-inch culvert to replace and numerous utilities in and around the sinkhole so it will be a delicate repair. He also wondered about Public Works weed eating the City Park hill. ALDERMAN KLEOPPEL said that the petting zoo on Saturday for the KN Fair was amazing and he would like to see that again next Fair. He queried where the City was still going to be placing a gazebo structure at John Welch Park. ALDERMAN PALMER thought that the parade and KN Fair went very well. She, too, noticed that parade float totals were down. ALDERMAN THERING asked about when P&Z will be getting more information about tiny homes. He feels that Norman Park needs some type of edging to keep the loose rock confined. He inquired whether the mural artists had submitted their ideas for Knob Noster. None had returned proofs yet. He said that Railroad Street needed asphalt patched. He asked if a hydrant would replace the one removed by the AT&T building. PW Supervisor, Kyle Hamrick, said that it would not be replaced as the water line it is on doesn't have enough pressure to operate one properly. Alderman Thering said that the Board would need to pick a street for repair soon. He asked if Goucher's sewer, 110 W. Workman, had been viewed by camera yet. Kyle said they have requested it to be done and are waiting on the company. He told the PW Supervisor that, with the recent rain, alleys are washing out and weeds are growing everywhere. MAYOR BYERLY said that the KN Fair went great and thanked the KN Fair Board for their efforts. Police Chief, Karl VanVickle relayed that he had submitted his reports with a new format and hoped the Board would be more able to understand. Fire Chief, Rick Johnson, said that KN Fire had an article in FFAM about their brush truck. Alderman Palmer relayed that the Parks Department had applied for a DNR Recycling Grant. She was very happy that the petting zoo went over so well at the KN Fair. The water event will be held July 18, 2026, at Mitch Franklin Park.
8. There was no virtual or in-person participation.
9. The City Administrator relayed his report.
10. Motion to pass Bill No. 060226-A: An Ordinance of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Knob Noster, Missouri Temporarily Lifting Certain Fireworks Restrictions for the Purpose of Allowing Time Limited Authorized Use of Consumer Fireworks in the City Limits for Celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America, to its first reading, by title only, was made by ALDERMAN PALMER, with a second by KLEOPPEL.

Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.

Discussion was held.

MAYOR Byerly had the City Clerk present the Bill by title only.

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Roll Call Vote

Alderman Thering	Aye
Alderman Smith	Nay
Alderman Wray	Aye
Alderman Kleoppel	Aye
Alderman Goucher	Aye
Alderman Palmer	Aye

Bill No. 060226-A passed 5 ayes to 1 nay (Smith). Ordinance number 936 was assigned.

11. Discussion was held regarding Knob Noster's open container law and weekend/evening events held on City streets. The City Administrator had contacted Liquor Control regarding Missouri's open container law and learned that there is no statewide public drinking ban, so adults can carry open alcohol in public in many areas statewide. The City of Knob Noster has passed Ordinance 627 in 1999 making "Drinking in Public Places Prohibited". With the expansion of downtown business and activities, some City organizations would like to be allowed to serve/allow liquor in public in tandem with their events.
12. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of the City pursuing a Street Bond. The City Administrator reminded all that the City has signed a Master Services Agreement with Marvin Wesley, LLC does mention the necessity of city-wide road repair and replacement. Alderman Thering reiterated that all roads in Knob Noster need some type of repair and the most realistic idea for replacing all City streets would be through a Street Bond. The City Administrator relayed that he had been in contact with Johnson County regarding chip-sealing the gravel roads near the new high school. The County said they could chip-seal those roads for approximately \$2,000.00 worth of chip-seal product per road. Motion was made by ALDERMAN PALMER for the City Administrator to contact bonding companies to seek information about a Street Bond for Knob Noster streets with a second by ALDERMAN THERING. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.
13. Discussion was held regarding updating the Building Code to ICC 2024. ALDERMAN KLEOPPEL suggested that the Board approved the ICC 2024 with ICC 2003 enforcement and fix each section of ICC 2024 individually and then approve those fixes. Amanda Garcia relayed that Sedalia was on ICC 2017, with them approving ICC 2024 by spring of 2027, and Warrensburg is on ICC 2024. ALDERMAN THERING wants to see all changes before the Board of Aldermen approves.
14. The City Administrator led discussion regarding the historic WAFB rail spur north of Division Road in the City of Knob Noster. With the Spirit Trail going through the Knob Noster State Park, the spur could extend the trail into KN city limits. Lucky Talmage, WAFB Community Planner, has asked the City to compose a letter to Colonel Witala with this request. ALDERMAN THERING made motion to authorize the City Administrator seek a formal request to WAFB of the rail spur with a second by ALDERMAN PALMER. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.
15. During the Aldermen Goal Setting Session, ALDERMAN KLEOPPEL reiterated that the City should be completely ready with repair or replacement to failing infrastructure under downtown sidewalks when the TAP Grant project begins..
16. Motion was made to adjourn at 7:21 pm by ALDERMAN SMITH and was seconded by ALDERMAN PALMER. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy M. Schouten
Knob Noster City Clerk