

The Batavia City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 9, 2026 at City Hall with Tom Drish presiding. Council members answering roll call were Aric Jensen, Cindy Franklin, Jody Trenary, and David Speas (via telephone). Michael Britt joined the meeting just after the meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Motion by Trenary to approve the agenda, second by Jensen; all aye, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Consent Agenda consisted of minutes from the regular meeting and special meeting, and bills for payment. Motion by Jensen to approve the minutes and bills for payment, second by Franklin; all aye, motion carried.

Petitions and Communications – Nick Adam was present to discuss his petition submission to Dollar General. Petition was submitted approximately a week ago. Mr. Adam inquired regarding timelines for nuisance abatements. Mayor Drish has been in contact with the residents of the primary property in question, and some progress has been made. Trenary & Britt, the Judiciary & Urban Development Committee, will contact the residents March 10, 2026 to discuss additional cleanup and timelines.

City Clerk – None

Public Works – Tree farm will be open by appointment only due to continual dumping of unauthorized items.

Updated council on the status of water meter maintenance/repair, and will have more thorough details for April meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS –

Motion by Speas to authorize a special meeting on March 23, 2026 at 5:30 pm for public hearing regarding FY26, proposed tax levy, second by Franklin; all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Speas to authorize a special meeting on March 23, 2026 at 5:45 pm, to consider/authorize setting a public hearing on April 13, 2026 at 5:30 pm to adopt FY27 budget, second by Trenary; all aye, motion carried.

Discussion regarding paying off loan with Libertyville Savings Bank was tabled until FY27 budget is adopted.

Discussion regarding BNSF Email - 4th Street is a county road, refer BNSF to the Jefferson County pertaining to 4th street crossing resurfacing.

PUBLIC FORUMN – None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION –

Motion by Speas to adjourn, second by Jensen; all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Attest: Tyra Audas