

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, in the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Matt Montgomery; Council Members Ryan Jeppesen, Diane Johnson, Chris Nobach, Lisa Zimmerman, and Laura Kronenberger; Council Member Chad Johnson was absent. Also present were Jon Radermacher, City Administrator; Sara Peer, City Clerk; and Joe Berg, Police Lieutenant.

- Call to Order Mayor Montgomery called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Roll Call Mayor Montgomery and Council Members Jeppesen, D. Johnson, Nobach, and Zimmerman were in attendance. Council Member Kronenberger arrived at 6:31 p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Montgomery led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Approval of Agenda A motion was made by Council Member Jeppesen, seconded by Council Member D. Johnson and unanimously carried, to approve the Agenda as presented.
- Public Input Mayor Montgomery reviewed the public input procedure.
- Avery Evans, Cannon Falls, expressed concerns about the number of ash trees that are being removed due to Emerald Ash Borer infestation. She discussed the need to rebuild the forest for future generations, adding that trees play a vital role in sustaining the ecosystem. She asked whether the City has a reforestation plan. Mayor Montgomery offered to discuss this topic further following the meeting.
- Consent Agenda
- A. Just and Correct Claims – Accounting Period Ending March 27, 2025
  - B. Meeting Minutes for March 18, 2025, City Council Meeting
  - C. Approve Professional Services Agreement with WHKS for PFAS Source Identification and Reduction Grant
- A motion was made by Council Member Zimmerman, seconded by Council Member Nobach and unanimously carried, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
- Council Business: There was no other Council business.

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Council Member Zimmerman summarized topics of discussion during a recent Joint Powers Trail Board meeting, including a bridge project update.

Mayor Montgomery reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

Staff

Police Lieutenant Berg commented that, even though the winter parking restrictions have officially ended, it is important for residents to continue to move their vehicles during any spring snow events, to allow Public Works to clear the streets.

City Administrator Radermacher reviewed necessary improvements to the Cannon Falls Area Historical Museum building, which is owned by the City. He stated that the Historical Society Board has raised funds toward a window project and requests Council consensus to move this project forward. He noted that the Finance Committee will be further discussing a potential management agreement and financing plan pertaining to a roof replacement project.

Administrator Radermacher summarized recent discussion with representatives from the Cannon Valley Senior Center. He stated that the group has been notified that the School District will begin charging rent for the current space occupied by the Senior Center. He stated that the Finance Committee will discuss potential options and will add this to a future Council meeting agenda for further discussion.

Administrator Radermacher provided an update relating to the Tract proposal. He stated that the public comment period relating to the scoping document will end on April 3. He reviewed the next steps in the process.

Tree removal and replacement activities were discussed. Administrator Radermacher stated that grant funding has been utilized for tree removal and may be available for tree replacement. He noted that Public Works Director Petersen can provide additional information.

Mayor and Council  
Members

Mayor Montgomery further discussed the need for tree replacement.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Zimmerman, seconded by Council Member D. Johnson and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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Matt Montgomery, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jon Radermacher, City Administrator

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