

CITY COUNCIL SPECIALMEETING
EMINENCE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AUGUST 19, 2026
EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a special session on Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. EST/11:00 a.m. CT with Mayor Fred Downey and the following members present: LeeAnn Armstrong, Karen Paris, Phillip Smith, Bobbi Jo Frazier, Connie Nation, and Justin Wayman. Also, in attendance were City Attorney Chelsey Brammell, City Clerk Robin Mullins, KLC Representative Michael Simon, Ethic Committee Members Valerie Blade, Carroll Hancock and Steve Metcalfe, City Employees Chase Dewitt, David Knuckles, Debra Moore, Troy Popp, Donna Rangel and Scott Wilcoxson and Resident Shawn Bright.

Mayor Downey called the special meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

The special meeting was called for ethics training, to schedule a special meeting for the City Handbook, possible purchase or lease of property.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Ethics Training: KLC Attorney Michael Simon reviewed the New Ethics Ordinance and answered questions from the council.

Special Meeting Date Scheduled: A special meeting to go over and approve the Employee Handbook was scheduled for September 10, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. EST/11:00 a.m. CT.

Purchase or Lease of Property Located on S Main Street – Mayor Downey reported he had spoke to Chad and Angela Johnson about purchasing or leasing the vacant lot on S Main Street. He would still like to build an amphitheater there if council was in agreement.

Purchase of Lot on East Broadway Street – Mayor Downey reported he had Public Director Troy Popp reach out to Randall Stivers to see if he was interested in selling the vacant lot on East Broadway. Mayor Downey said we could use it for parking, but it would probably benefit the Library more than us.

Closed Session: Motion made by Member Paris and seconded by Member Nation to go into closed session per KRS 61.810 for deliberation on the future purchase or sale of real property. On a call for, votes all members present voted “Yea”.

Meeting Closed at 1:00 p.m. EST/12:00 p.m. CT.

Motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Paris to end closed session and open special session at 1:42 p.m. EST/12:42 p.m. CT. On a call for votes, all members present voted “Yea”.

Motion made by Member Paris and seconded by Member Nation to authorize Mayor Downey to negotiate a Lease/Purchase Agreement with Chad and Angela Johnson for the lot on S. Main Street. On a call for votes, the following member voted:

Member Paris	"Yea"	Member Nation	"Yea"
Member Armstrong	"Yea"	Member Wayman	"Yea"
Member Smith	"Yea"	Member Frazier	"Nay"

Motion carried.

With no further business to be discussed, the motion made was by Member Frazier and seconded by Member Smith to adjourn. All members present voted "Yea". The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m. EST/12:46 p.m. CT.



FRED DOWNEY, MAYOR
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST: 
ROBIN MULLINS, CITY CLERK
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY