



The City of Poughkeepsie New York

Common Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

6:30 PM

Common Council Chambers

**Welcome to the regularly scheduled Meeting of the City of Poughkeepsie
Common Council the date is September 2, 2025, and the time is 6:40 pm**

I. ROLL CALL

8 Present, 1 Absent/Excused (Councilmember Henry)

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion to Approve was made by 3rd Ward Council Member Brown and seconded by 6th Ward Council Member Grant.

CCM Minutes of August 26, 2025 - VOICE VOTE	
Yes/Aye:	2nd Ward Councilmember Menist, 3rd Ward Council Member Brown, 5th Ward Council Member James, 6th Ward Council Member Grant, 7th Ward Council Member Patterson Thompson, 4th Ward Council Member Shook, Council Member At-Large Wilson, 8th Ward Councilmember McClinton
No/Nay:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	1st Ward Councilmember Henry
Result:	Passed

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III. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed on the printed agenda

IV. PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. FROM POUGHKEEPSIE ALLIANCE**, a presentation regarding future projects in the City of Poughkeepsie

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Three (3) minutes per person up to 45 minutes of public comment on any agenda and non-agenda item.

Laurie Sandow - South Grand Ave*
Daniel Atonna - College Ave

***Submitted written comments for the official record**

VI. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

VII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND BOARDS:

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA: MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

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APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA - VOICE VOTE	
Yes/Aye:	2nd Ward Councilmember Menist, 3rd Ward Council Member Brown, 5th Ward Council Member James, 6th Ward Council Member Grant, 7th Ward Council Member Patterson Thompson, 4th Ward Council Member Shook, Council Member At-Large Wilson, 8th Ward Councilmember McClinton
No/Nay:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	1st Ward Councilmember Henry
Result:	Passed

1. **R-25-66**, Resolution Acknowledging 2024 Standard Workday and Reporting Resolution Not Adopted

**STANDARD WORKDAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION
(R-25-66)**

INTRODUCED BY: CHAIRMAN WILSON

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Poughkeepsie hereby acknowledges that it did not adopt a Standard Workday and Reporting Resolution during calendar year 2024 and individuals who were due to report during 2024 have been addressed on the 2025 resolution.

I, JAMAR CUMMINGS, clerk of the governing board of the City of Poughkeepsie of the State of New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution passed by such board, at a legally convened meeting held on the 2nd day of September, 2025, on file as part of the minutes of such meetings, and that same is a true copy thereof and the whole of such original.

I further certify that the full board, consists of NINE (9) members, and that 8 of such members were present at such meeting and that 8 of such members voted in favor of the above resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and the seal of the **CITY OF
POUGHKEEPSIE**

2. **R-25-67**, Resolution Establishing Standard Workday for Elected and Appointed Officials

**STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION
(R-25-67)**

INTRODUCED BY: CHAIRMAN WILSON

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Poughkeepsie hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

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Title	Name	Registration Number	Standard Work Day (hrs/ day)	Term Begins/ Ends	Participates in Employer's Time Keeping System (Y/N)	Days/ Month (based on Record of Activities)
Elected Officials						
Council Chair	Da'Ron Brown	R13331867	7.0	1/1/24-12/31/25	N	1.9
Councilmember 1 st Ward	Ernest Henry	R13331858	7.0	1/1/24-12/31/25	N	5.3
Councilmember 2 nd Ward	Evan Menist	R12977333	7.0	1/1/24-12/31/25	N	
Councilmember 3 rd Ward	Terricena Brown	R13331875	7.0	1/1/24-12/31/25	N	3.48
Councilmember 4 th Ward	Nathan Shook	R13120298	7.0	1/1/24-12/31/25	N	
Councilmember 5 th Ward	Ondie James	413331881	7.0	1/1/24-12/31/25	N	6.45
Councilmember 8 th Ward	Sakima McClinton	R11869276	7.0	1/1/24-12/31/25	N	

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IX. CONSENT AGENDA: ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

X. ACTION AGENDA: MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

XI. ACTION AGENDA: ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

XII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

XIII. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

I just want to say "thank you" to everyone that came out. Also, we want to celebrate our students coming back to school, as been previously mentioned. For those that might not know, there also are going to be, for our elementary students, some increased bussing around the city. So, just make sure, if you have not, to prepare to leave for work early or just be patient enough because it is going to be...I want to say...the first time I've heard of it in over, at least, 30 years. So where the busses are and how they're coming and picking up students, this is going to be all new for families and the young children out there. So, please be patient,

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So, please be patient, or if you know your normal route, is in a school area...I know that if I want to get to work on time or if want to avoid that, to try another route. So I just encourage people to be mindful of that. In regards, as we said, even with the speed humps, we already see people trying to avoid speed humps [by] going around, so I just want everyone to be mindful of that. And, we look forward to a great and successful school year. And, also, as we culminate our summer of all the events that happened, thank you to all the sponsors and all the organizations that took part in all the events to encourage the city. It was very safe events going out. And, make sure as we go into the fall. We support our Kaal Rock Concerts, and our Sunday's on Cannon St.

That's all I have to say. Thank you everybody.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:14 pm a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by 3rd Ward Council Member Brown and seconded by 6th Ward Council Member Grant.

Dated: September 4, 2025

I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

**Respectfully submitted,
Donna M. DeLuca
Deputy City Chamberlain**