

**Minutes of Meeting
Town of Orleans
June 18, 2026
5:00 p.m.**

The Orleans Town Council met on Thursday, June 18, 2026, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Participants were Council President John H. Lindley, Councilman John F. Noblitt, Councilman Jack Taylor, Clerk-Treas. Robert F. Henderson, Town Attorney John-Paul Isom, Town Marshal Jim Lindsey, Fire Chief Ronnie Roach and Town Supt. Daniel Houchin.

Guests: Frank and Tami Redding.

Council President Lindley called the meeting to order with the pledge to the Flag followed by a brief prayer.

J. Noblitt motioned to accept the minutes as presented from May meeting, J. Taylor seconded, all in favor.

The first order of business undertaken was the official Swearing-In and seating of newly appointed Councilman Jack Taylor who replaces the late Councilman Randy Clark for Ward 2. Clerk-Treasurer Robert Henderson administered the oath of office to Taylor during a brief ceremony held prior to the start of the session.

Frank and Tamara Redding were present to discuss a drainage issue at the residence located at the corner of Mathers & Roosevelt. The Council agreed to investigate the situation to see what if any viable options might be available to help alleviate the problem.

Orleans Town Marshal Jim Lindsey reported that both he and Clerk Henderson had recently met with INDOT in reference to a change to the present set speed limits on SR 37 through town. Lindsey said the change is an effort to make enforcement easier and to be more universal for both northbound lanes and southbound lanes. INDOT is expected to start changing the signs in the next few weeks or so.

Lindsey also expressed his appreciation to JSI for their recent donation of new workstations for the police department.

In a related matter, Council members approved a request submitted by Orleans Community Schools to renew the present SRO agreements for the upcoming 2026-27 School Year.

Town Supt. Daniel Houchin said that he and Henderson had met with the area rep for Play and Park and received some preliminary sketches for a new swing project to be undertaken at the Bicentennial Sulphur Well Park on W. Vincennes. Orleans Tri Kappa has agreed to

partner with the town to share the cost of the additional play equipment. The town crew themselves will do the site work.

Council members approved two new appointments for the Orleans Airport Board Kirt and Velvet Daugherty. The Daugherty's replace Tommy Adams who recently resigned his seat on the board and the late Jim Shelby who passed away.

Fire Chief Ronnie Roach reported that his department had responded to 22 total runs for the month of June including 20 EMS runs, one fire, and one wreck.

No other business, motion by J. Noblitt to adjourn, second by J. Taylor, meeting adjourned at approx. 5:38 p.m.

John H. Lindley
Council President

Robert F. Henderson, Jr.
Clerk-Treasurer

**Minutes of Work Session
Town of Orleans
July 1, 2026
9:00 a.m.**

Orleans Town Council met for its monthly general work/study session on Wednesday, July 1, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance included Council President John H. Lindley, Councilman John F. Noblitt, Councilman Jack Taylor, Clerk-Treasurer Robert F. Henderson, Town Attorney John-Paul Isom, Town Marshal Jim Lindsey, Fire Chief Ronnie Roach and Town Supt., Daniel Houchin.

Guests: Kristie Clark.

Council President John H. Lindley called the meeting to order with the pledge to the Flag followed by a brief prayer.

Orleans Fire Chief Ronnie Roach presented Council members with several estimates for the purchase of a new fire truck for their individual review and comment. After a brief discussion Council agreed to meet before the next regular meeting on July 16th to look over the department's current equipment and discuss the matter of the purchase more in-depth.

Town Supt. Daniel Houchin presented a quote from Boyd Cat for the purchase of new backhoe with a trade in the amount of \$84,843. Council approved the purchase request.

A capacity certification was approved and signed off for the Orleans Wesleyan Campgrounds regarding the wastewater treatment for the new RV expansion currently underway at the site.

Industrial applications for both water and sewer were reviewed and also approved for Johnson Egg Wash Facility, now under construction east of town.

In other matters, Council members gave their stamp of approval after receiving a favorable recommendation from the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) to grant Kristie Clark a variance to operate a beauty shop in her home.

Council along with Clerk-Treasurer Robert Henderson directed Town Attorney John-Paul Isom to prepare a formal resolution to name the town's newly constructed pickleball court in memory of the late Town Councilman Randy Clark. Clark had been instrumental in the project, securing the grant money for its construction and further enhancements.

No other business, motion by J. Noblitt to adjourn, second by J. Taylor, meeting adjourned at approx. 9:31 a.m.

**John H. Lindley
Council President**

**Robert F. Henderson, Jr.
Clerk-Treasurer**