

**Minutes of Meeting
Town of Orleans
July 16, 2026
5:00 p.m.**

The Orleans Town Council met on Thursday, July 16, 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:

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 June meeting, J. Taylor seconded, all in favor.

Council members reviewed and approved updating of the Orleans Police's SOP relating to the department's use of the mobile camera system.

Town Marshall Jim Lindsey reported that his department had received a grant from Hoosier Uplands for the purchase of a drone with Chief Dep. Drew Henderson and Dep. Marshal Justin Riddle attending pilot schooling in the immediate future. The drone will be used in cases such as searches for lost or endangered individuals or in the apprehension of criminals.

Town Supt. Daniel Houchin requested and received approval to purchase a used forklift for the sewer plant from Kirby Hardware in the amount of \$3,400.

Fire Chief Ronnie Roach submitted his monthly report which included 30 total runs for June.

A formal resolution was passed and adopted for naming the town's pickleball courts in memory of the late town councilman Randy Clark. A renaming ceremony is planned for the near future with both the town officials and Clark Family members.

Town Clerk Robert Henderson informed Council that work was underway in his office for the 2027 Town Budget Prep and that he had reached out to all department heads regarding their spending plans for the coming year and expected to have some budget estimates for Council to review at the August 5th work session.

No other business, motion by J. Noblitt to adjourn, second by J. Taylor, meeting adjourned at approx. 5:18 p.m.

**John H. Lindley
Council President**

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

**Minutes of Work Session
Town of Orleans
August 5, 2026
9:00 a.m.**

Orleans Town Council met for its monthly general work/study session on Wednesday, August 5, 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:

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

Council members approved an On-Call Service Agreement for USI to prepare the town's next application for Community Crossing Matching Grant monies.

A general discussion was held concerning upgrades to the play area at the Bicentennial Sulphur Well Park. Town Supt. Daniel Houchin and Clerk-Treasurer Robert Henderson submitted drawings and cost estimates for the council to review. The plan includes the installation of a swing set at the neighborhood park. Orleans Tri Kappa has agreed to help with funding of the project.

The Orleans Masonic Lodge requested and received Council approval for use of the town park square for a fundraiser event on September 26th.

Henderson shared the town's health insurance renewal with SIHO for the Council's review and comment. The renewal date for the town's plan is October 1st. Greg Hamilton with Springer & Springer Insurance will attend the August 20th meeting to go over the renewal of information.

In other matters, Henderson also distributed 2027 Budget estimates for Council review. Henderson stressed the numbers were rough estimates at this point and subject to change. A public hearing date on the budget is set for September 17th meeting at 5 pm with a formal adoption scheduled for the October 15th meeting.

Fall Town Wide Clean Up is set for the week of October 5th.

An Executive Session was scheduled for August 20th at 4:30 pm and prior to the next regular meeting.

No other business, motion by J. Noblitt to adjourn, second by J. Taylor, meeting adjourned at approx. 9:55 a.m.

John H. Lindley
Council President

Robert F. Henderson, Jr.
Clerk-Treasurer