

CITY OF RIVER BLUFF
MAYOR-COMMISSION BOARD
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

The Mayor-Commission Board for the City of River Bluff met on September 22, 2026, at Goodness Grows Cooperative at 7:30 PM.

Residents: None

Board members Present: Mayor Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer, Paulette Bryant

Board members absent: None.

Appointed Official: Katie Buhts, Clerk.

Guest: Attorney Mark Leach

Attorney Mark Leach

Attorney Mark Leach attended the meeting at the request of Mayor Dillon. The City was previously represented by Attorney John Treitz, who passed away, leaving the City in need of legal representation.

Mr. Leach provided an overview of his professional background and experience representing municipal entities. He stated that his fee for legal services is \$400 per hour, subject to an annual cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). He advised that no retainer fee is required for his representation of the city.

Following a discussion regarding the City's legal needs, Mr. Leach left the meeting. The Board then discussed his qualifications and proposed services. After considerable discussion, Lynn Grossman made a motion to retain Mr. Leach's legal services. Tom Sheffer seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer, Paulette Bryant

Voting Nay: None.

This motion passed by unanimous vote

OCPD Monthly Report

Katie Buhts provided an update on behalf of Sgt. Durrett. Over the course of the month, OCPD obtained a new radar sign and positioned it along River Bluff Road. This data will be compiled and provided to the city in the upcoming weeks.

In response to the city's request to issue citations for consistent traffic violations, the police issued four citations for stop sign violations in the month of August.

Questions/Comments from Residents

None at this time.

Minutes of August 2026 Accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report Accepted as presented.

Old Business

Community Pride

Mrs. Grossman explained that, due to the recent hot and dry weather, she adjusted the irrigation system in an effort to keep the landscaped islands adequately watered. Unfortunately, the annual flowers have not weathered well under the conditions.

For the fall planting, Mrs. Grossman offered to donate surplus daffodil bulbs for Art Tobe to plant in the front island. The Board discussed the plan to enhance the landscaping and provide additional color in the spring.

Following the discussion, Lynn Grossman made a motion to approve up to \$250 for Art Tobe to plant the daffodil bulbs. Lee Stanley seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer, Paulette Bryant

Voting Nay: None.

This motion passed by unanimous vote

Lee Stanley presented the fall sign that was previously approved by the Board. Mr. Stanley stated that he would ensure the signs are installed for the season in the coming days.

Tom Sheffer confirmed with Art Tobe that the signs may be installed this month and that changing the banners to the holiday design during the week of Thanksgiving would not present any issues.

Drainage

Tom Sheffer provided a brief update on the drainage easement cleanout at Picnic Hill. Art Tobe completed this maintenance project to ensure the water continues flowing as it should.

Dylan from Temple & Temple came to River Bluff in advance of the meeting to inspect the list of outstanding projects Mr. Sheffer provided. Further inspection will need to take place before a final bid is furnished, and a timeline for completion will be provided.

New Residents.

Paulette Bryant stated that there are no new residents at this time.

Other Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

Accounts Payable

None at this time.

Other New Business

Oldham County code enforcement was discussed.

The board discussed the official Trick-or-Treat hours for Halloween. The city will publish official hours 6-9PM.

There being no further business, Paulette Bryant made a motion to adjourn. Tom Sheffer seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Paulette Bryant, Tom Sheffer

Voting Nay: None.