

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OZARK, ALABAMA
TUESDAY, September 15, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Ozark, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Complex at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday **September 15, 2026**. Upon roll call the following members were present:

Present: Charles Ward, Mayor
Winston T. Jackson, Council President, Place No. 3
Bryan Macario, Councilmember, Place No. 1
Les Perault, Councilmember, Place No. 2
Brenda Simechak, Councilmember, Place No. 4
Caitlyn Cummings, Councilmember, Place No. 5

Absent:

Also present: Chris Peters, who acted as clerk of the meeting, Laura Bruce, Heather Cohen, Joseph McNabb, Cody Evans, and Dustin Folk.

Councilmember Perault gave the prayer followed by Mayor Ward leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Council having read the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on **September 1, 2026** President Jackson asked the wishes of the Council. Councilmember Cummings made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on **September 1, 2026** which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Jackson advised the Council that it was time to set the Agenda. Councilmember Cummings made a motion to set the Agenda as presented, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak introduced a Resolution Declaring Certain Properties a Public Nuisance with Dangerous Buildings for properties at 114 Church St, 213 Valentine St, 321 Boykin Ave, 329 Boykin Ave and moved for its adoption which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Macario introduced a Resolution Declaring Certain Properties a Public Nuisance for properties at 2204 Deese Rd, 274 Parker Hills Dr, 5879 Andrews Ave, 912 Martin St, 375 Ben Grimes Rd, 2938 Campground Rd and moved for its adoption which motion was seconded by Councilmember Cummings. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to approve an Agreement for Animal Control Services with Dale County Commission in the amount of \$85,000.00 which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak made a motion to approve the First and Second Reading Application 160 – Special Retail – More Than 30 Days; Applicant: Rax Country LLC; Trade Name: Rax Country Entertainment, 320 E. College St., Ozark, AL 36360, Owner: Kelli P. McQueen, 112 Woodland Circle, Troy, AL 36081., which motion was seconded by Councilmember Cummings. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak made a motion to approve the First and Second Reading Application 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor; Applicant: Applebees Restaurants Mid Atlantic LLC; Trade Name: Applebees Neighborhood Grill and Bar, 1688 US Highway 231 S., Ozark, AL 36360, Owner: Jacob A. Nebergall(Manager and Vice President), 11211 Sunshine Terrace, Studio City, CA 91604 and Justin Ma(Vice President), 2520 Frances Ave., La Crescenta, CA 91214., which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to Re-Appoint Sammy Judah to the Ozark-Dale County Economic Development Corporation, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Cummings. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Cummings made a motion to Accept and Authorize a Wiregrass RC&D Grant for Fire & Rescue Simulation Equipment in the amount of \$6,000.00, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Simechak. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Macario made a motion to Accept and Authorize a Wiregrass RC&D Grant for EMS Training Simulators in the amount of \$6,000.00, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Simechak. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

With there being no further business to come before this Regular Council Meeting of **September 15, 2026** Councilmember Simechak made a motion to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President

City Clerk