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Donations and Raises

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The Edmonton City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 5th, at the Edmonton City Hall. Those in attendance were Mayor Doug Smith, Councilmembers Teresa Hamlett, Curt Estes, Cathy Nunn, Faye Word, Tommy England, and City Attorney Brian Pack.

Others in attendance were City Clerk/Administrator Dawn Devore, Public Works Superintendent Moe

Hensley, Assistant Police Chief Colby Romines, 911 Director Jordan Crump, ABC Administrator Fred Ray, Park & Recreation Director Brian Garrett, and for the Herald-News PJ Martin.

Two of the regular attendees were absent due to illness: Police Chief David Robertson and Edmonton Fire Chief Jerry Clemmons.

The minutes from the last meeting held on December 1,

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Senior of the Month



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The plaque was awarded to Edgar Martin for January 2026.

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SENIOR CENTER MANAGER

great example of a senior citizen. He is kind, respectful, and admired.

A new monthly award began this month at the Edmonton Senior Center called Senior of the Month, and the first recipient is Edgar Martin, who was presented with a plaque on January 8th. He has attended the Senior Center for 37 years and is a

Edgar was born in February of 1927 (he is 99) in the Pleasant Grove community and moved to Illinois when he was 17 years old. There, he got a job at a Packing House and

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Amending the Solar Ordinance



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Justin Poland, Regional Political Director for the Andy Barr campaign for U. S. Senate spoke to those at fiscal court.

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Treasurer/Fiscal Court Clerk Page Edwards.

Also in attendance were Financial Officer Connie Taylor, Occupational Tax/ABC Admin. Lorrie Gilpin, Sheriff Lonnie Hodges, Emergency Mgmt. Director Adam Bennett, Solid Waste Coordinator Kim Jandt, Road Supervisor Chris Compton, and Herald-News editor PJ Martin.

The Metcalfe County Fiscal Court held its first meeting of 2026 on Thursday, January 8th, with the following in attendance: Judge/Executive Larry Wilson, Magistrates Ronnie Miller, Daniel Bragg, Harvey Hawkins, and Kevin Crain, County Attorney Sharon Howard, and



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County Attorney Sharon Howard shown reading the amendment to the Solar Ordinance.

Judge Wilson declared a quorum present, and the agenda was adopted.

The minutes from the December 23rd special-called meeting were approved after motions by Bragg and Hawkins.

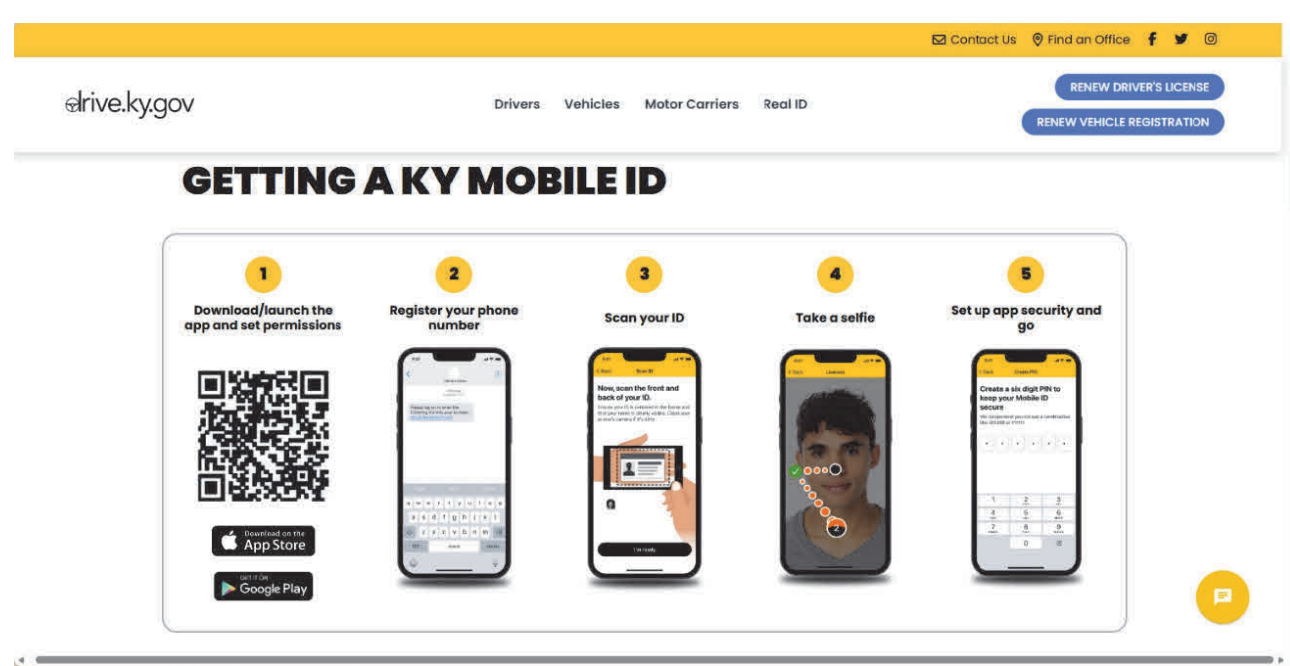
Next was a discussion of an amendment to the Solar Panel Ordinance # 25-1023. Attorney Howard explained,

“So it’s accepting two more categories: that people that had already applied for the state, with the state, with a certificate of construction, or got an effective date from the signing board on electric generation.”

Bragg said, “This amendment is actually what we discussed,

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Mobile ID Launches



The Kentucky Department of Motor Vehicles has partnered with IDEMIA Public Security North America, the leading provider of secure and trusted biometric-based solutions, in launching the next-generation of mobile ID in Kentucky.

Kentucky residents can now assert their identity securely from their mobile phone by downloading the free app from the Apple App Store or Google Play. State residents can use the app immediately to verify their identities directly from their

mobile phones at TSA Checkpoints at CVG, SDF, LEX, and PAH, in addition to other participating airports across the country.

The Kentucky mobile ID app provides a contactless and easy way for users to verify

their identity, while putting users’ privacy and security at the forefront. Mobile ID holders are the only ones who can access the mobile ID by unlocking the app using their biometrics or their

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