

City of Cambridge
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
Tuesday February 17, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm via Zoom. In attendance were Mayor Sherry Tyler, Commissioners Gayle Wilhelmi, Brad King, and attorney Carrie Ritsert. Also in attendance was Grace Simrall representing Lumos Fiber. The budget report and January minutes were unable to be distributed this month due to a printer issue.

Old Business: The Carriage House development on McMahan has been listed on Zillow with a small price reduction.

All but one tax bill has been paid. Sherry will send her last reminder to 2903 Cambridge and include notification of a lien placement should the bill remain unpaid.

The issue of speed humps has been put on hold for the moment.

All water main leaks in Cambridge have been resolved. There were several areas that had to be excavated.

Sherry reports that all but five houses that are rentals have paid the rental fee.

The broken down tractor is still at the end of Miles. Sherry will follow up. The recent weather has probably caused a delay in repair.

Likewise, the snow and persistent cold has kept Mrs. Ryan on Miles from addressing the accumulated debris on her driveway.

New Business: Grace Simrall attended the meeting as a representative for Lumos Fiber. They seek to establish a franchise agreement with Cambridge to install a 100% fiber optic network in our city. They are mainly presenting as an alternative to AT&T with competitive pricing, and boast internet speeds of 2GB for around \$70/monthly with other pricing tiers available. The cables would be installed underground to a depth of 24 to 36 inches. The drill used is 1 1/4 inch, and there would not be open trenches. She said they would work with the city to get the necessary permits and they have encroachment bonds. Lumos fiber optics has already been installed in Middletown and Douglass Hills among other cities, and will be installed soon in J'town. She would be the point of contact should a problem arise. She was asked about issues in Southern Indiana that were reported on local news stations. Her response was that there were some utility strikes, but that represented only 1% of all the digging that was done. She was adamant that all problems were quickly resolved and any residents impacted were compensated. They use general contractors for the work. Carrie had advised before the meeting that Norwood had declined allowing the company to install in their city due to complaints of sub par installation of the product and damages to municipal properties. There was some discussion of the issue after Grace exited the meeting. Brad suggested we poll residents to gauge interest.

Sherry has sent a donation to Gilda's House from the City of Cambridge to honor the memory of Joe's wife who recently passed away after battling cancer.

The ordinances dealing with the budget for the next fiscal year along with setting the new tax rate will be coming up probably in April.

Sam Tyler spent several days shoveling the sidewalk on Lowe Road which was appreciated by residents and neighbors. He was paid from the money budgeted for snow removal this year.

Carrie confirmed that this is the election year again for the offices of commissioner and mayor for Home Rule cities. The Board of Elections phone number for information is 502-574-6100. The deadline for filing to have your name on the ballot is June 2. To be a write-in candidate the deadline is late August.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm. The next meeting will be March 17, 2026 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,