

April 24, 2026
10:00 a.m.
Budget Meeting
Ripley Board of Mayor and Aldermen
City Hall Boardroom

Mayor Fitzhugh called the meeting to order and requested Recorder Buckner to issue roll call.

Board members present: Alston, Chipman, Frazier, Keeley, Long and Fitzhugh

Board members absent: Thompson

Also present: Donna Buckner, Chief Tracey Worlds, Chief Mitchell Turner, Superintendent Johnie Ford and Park Director Lee Johnston

Visitors: none

Invocation – Chief Turner

FY 2026-2027 proposed budget discussions

1. Motion by Alderman Frazier and second by Alderman Keeley to approve \$2.50 increase on residential/commercial garbage carts and commercial dumpsters and each additional residential cart will be \$15.00 beginning July 1, 2026. Roll call. All aye.
2. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Long to approve 1st reading proposed ordinance FY 2026-2027 budget and tax rate. Roll call. All aye.
3. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Frazier to approve 1st reading proposed ordinance to approve court cost beginning July 1, 2026, all cases heard by Judge \$125.00; all forfeited cases \$100.00.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Donna Buckner, Recorder

Craig Fitzhugh, Mayor