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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ATTORNEY
Tom Barnes III

Date: June 2, 2025

Time: 7:00pm

EMPLOYEES
Emily Bessette
Shannon Seals

Location: City Council Room, City Hall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Anthony DaPrato.

Reading of Minutes

Motion by K. Seals to approve meeting minutes with one correction from May 5, 2025, 2nd by Moore.

Executive Session

Motion by K. Seals at 7:02pm to go into an executive session for non-elected personnel to include the council, attorney, mayor, Chief Seals and interviewee for ten minutes returning to the council room at 7:12pm, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

The council was in executive session for ten minutes with no decisions made.

Code Enforcement

Motion by K. Seals to hire Clayton Fisher as part-time Code Enforcement Officer at the rate of \$18.50, 2nd by Ball, Fisher accepts.

BG Consultants

Abby Mills with BG Consultants was present to discuss the East Lake Strowbridge Reservoir Dam Inspection. She noted that it had been raining when she made her inspection and suggested marking the water to see if the spot is growing. It did appear at

the time that it was growing. She recommends watching the amount of seepage, the color of seepage and bulging. Currently there is no embankment failure. This is something that needs to be taken care of in the near future. The dam is functioning as intended.

The front slope of the dam is not compliant as it should not be sharper than 3-1. The width of the spillway did not match the record for what the state had on file.

Mills suggested getting a Geotechnical Engineer to look at the core and outer layers.

The leak can be seen and heard west of the natural stream bed and has doubled in the last three years. It went from 50-70 feet to 200 with rain. Bretsnyder estimates it closer to 120-140 feet. Abby reminded the City that all dams leak however, this one is growing. She explained that water goes up and down in the winter and fall.

There is no threat to the City's water supply. The City needs to remain proactive because if the soil starts excavating it will be too late, now is the time.

The top of the dam needs to be 15 feet wide and is measuring at 12 feet. The state is not focused on this but could be fixed at the same time as the other issues.

Abby can write a proposal for a Geotech engineer. There are CDBG grants, US grants and CFAP might be able to help with the riprap.

Cox Communications

Tara Albion was present for Cox Communications. She stated that fiber from Cox is established with private dollars. They provide TV, internet, telephone and mobile. Franchise fees are upon request from 0-5%. Cox will complete the underground utility request form and follow up with zoning.

Tom Barnes left the meeting 7:38pm.

Maintenance

Maintenance is waiting for the new waterline locator to come in. It only detects lines that have a trace wire. With the equipment is a GIS map with multilayer functions.

Maintenance's current trailer does not meet the needs of what they are using it for. Motion by Moore to purchase a trailer from PJs Trailer, 238979, in the amount of \$20,802.71, 2nd by Seals, motion carried.

Park Committee

A bid for lighting was presented to the council. There was a debate between Moore and K. Seals on solar verse wired. Moore would like to get more information from the wholesaler. No decisions made.

The Park Committee would like to see the corners on the walking path more rounded.

Library

Heather is here for her quarterly report. The Summer reading program starts on Wednesday. They already have 134 kids signed up. They have Kona Ice coming as well as a bubble machine to kick off the Summer Program.

Touch a Truck is growing. They have Chester Cheeto coming along with fire trucks, police cruisers, large trucks and so much more. There is a possibility of getting a helicopter. There was concern with weather and moving the location if needed. Chief Seals can talk to the school about using the school as a backup plan.

Executive Session

Motion by K. Seals at 8:21pm to go into an executive session for non-elected personnel to include the council, mayor, Chief Seals, and Leonard Rogers for five minutes returning to the council room at 8:26pm, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

The council was in executive session for five minutes with no decisions made.

Motion by K. Seals at 8:29pm to go into an executive session for non-elected personnel to include the council, mayor, Chief Seals, for five minutes returning to the council room at 8:31pm, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

The council was in executive session for two minutes with no decisions made.

Police

Officer Shultz gave an activity report for the police department.

Officer Coyle leaves for academy June 23, 2025. He is doing well with the public.

The Chief requested to add an additional police vehicle to their inventory. She visited Kansas Highway Patrol and they have a 2023 F150 for \$45,675.00 which includes a ballpark price for the upfitting, radio, radar and dashcam. The upfitting estimate should be on the high end and Chief hopes to get it at a lower price. There is a guy at KHP who is willing to install the upfitted items. KHP can have it ready by the following week. There was discussion on leaving Police Equipment Reserve with only \$12,000. Chief Seal's is budgeting \$800 for markings, no more than \$1,000. It will have the same markings as the grey Durango and Explorer.

Motion by Ball to purchase a 2023 Ford Police Responder F150 SuperCrew XL FX4 3.5 Eco-Boost for \$45,675, 2nd by Moeller, discussion on pricing and upfitting. S. Seals reported the price of the truck is \$41,000 plus and an estimate of \$4,000 for upfitting, agreed to add an extra \$1,000 not to exceed \$46,675, motion reworded by Ball not to exceed \$46,675, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

Zoning

Motion by K. Seals to approve zoning permit to allow a house to be built on lot 8 block E of the new subdivision, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

Motion by K. Seals to approve zoning permit to allow a house to be built on lot 16 block E of the new subdivision, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

The council reviewed a zoning permit to replace an existing deck with the same size. No permit is needed.

A special permit was requested by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tucker. They would like to stay in a camper while they get their home up to compliance. The council would like to know if they will still be using the restroom in the house and whether there will be no grey water coming from the camper. If approved they would need to reapply every thirty days. Permit was tabled with no actions taken until more details are provided.

Osage County Chronicle

Emily Bessette informed the council that she approved a Memorial Day ad to run in the newspaper for \$30.

Ordinance 545-2025

Motion by K. Seals to approve Ordinance 545-2025 dealing with utility payments, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

NCS

Tabled.

Public Building Commission Meeting

Tabled.

Off Agenda Items

Council Woman Ball discussed with the council that she may have to be absent from a few meetings due to personal issues. The council was understanding.

Anthony DaPrato followed up on getting a water line to 410 N. Topeka and who would be responsible for the cost. Bretsnyder to get pricing.

The council would like the park bathrooms to be locked at night.

Notes and FYI

Discussion on insurance for the Touch and Truck event.

Bills

Motion by K. Seals that the council looked at the bills, 2nd by Ball motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Seals, 2nd by Ball, motion carried at 9:29pm.