

CITY OF ELWOOD, KANSAS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 6, 2025

At 6:00pm Mayor Timmy Kieser, Sr. called the regularly scheduled meeting to order. Those attending: council members: Megan Shackelford, Dustin Robinson, Travis Holcomb and Sam Meers. Also attending: Joel Euler, Brandon Whetstine Bill Johnson and Pam King.

Council member CJ Garner arrived at 6:03pm.

INVOCATION

Joel Euler gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dustin Robinson moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to approve as written the September 15, 2025 regular council meeting minutes. CJ Garner, yea. Travis Holcomb and Sam Meers, abstain.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:00pm, Travis Holcomb moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to go into executive session for personnel for 10 minutes. Dustin Robinson and Sam Meers, yea. It was extended 20 minutes.

REGULAR SESSION

At 6:30pm regular session resumed. No action was taken.

ATTORNEYS

Joel Euler told the governing body he applied for a grant-for sewer lagoons. The City will know in February if we are awarded the grant.

Euler has also been working with the EPA, resolving issues with the sewer lagoons.

Euler will have the requested zoning changes, requiring pictures to go with the building permits for mobile homes, 5 years and older. Requiring skirting/foundation to be completed within 90 days of the building permit being approved will also be added.

Bill Johnson told Euler he has also been working with the EPA on the sewer lagoon issues.

Euler discussed making changes to rental properties in Elwood, possibly adding a fixed fee on personal property taxes, or a penalty if the owner doesn't live there.

Euler is taking legal action against the property owners that had the City mow their properties. In some cases, the property owner is willing to give the City the property.

Euler requested an executive session for legal.

CITY SUPERVISOR

Bill Johnson informed the governing body he has been working with the EPA on resolving the sewer lagoon issues.

APPROVAL OF CHECKS

Dustin Robinson moved, Sam Meers seconded, to approve checks numbered 68745-68788. Motion carried.

GOVERNING BODY

Mayor Timmy Kieser said everything is going well with Bill Johnson, who will be the new City Supervisor when Wayne Hall retires at the end of October.

Kieser sent condolences to the Jim King family.

CJ Garner commented on properties owned by Jim Crenshaw, at 11th and Connecticut Streets. Garner asked that Crenshaw be ticketed for the junk and debris left on the property at 305 N. 11th Street.

Dustin Robinson asked Bill Johnson if he needed anything-Johnson will take over the City Supervisor's position at the end of October. Johnson said he may need to purchase tools. Robinson told Johnson to come to the council if he needs anything.

Johnson and Robinson agreed the younger crew members need to get certified in water and sewer.

Reminder, Wayne Hall's retirement lunch will be held October 24 from 11-1:00pm at the Elwood Community Center.

Travis Holcomb gave condolences to the Jim King family and the Ritchie family.

Holcomb discussed the service history of the backhoe-repairs over the last 5 years. Holcomb said we should keep the backhoe-compared to the price of a new backhoe.

Megan Shackelford thanked Andy Coleman for cleaning up the property at 501 Vermont Street, saying the property looked better.

Shackelford asked the status of the snow ordinance. Euler will have it at the next meeting.

Shackelford requested an executive session for personnel for 5 minutes.

Shackelford gave condolences to the Ritchie and King families.

CJ Garner asked if the City made any changes to the current burning ordinance. The City has not made any changes to the ordinance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:50 Travis Holcomb moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to go into executive session for personnel and legal for 10 minutes. It was extended for 5 minutes.

REGULAR SESSION

At 7:05 regular session resumed.

CJ Garner moved, Dustin Robinson seconded, to pay Tina Kimberlin \$15 per hour, and allow Tina Kimberlin to work more than 8 hours a week, working more hours if necessary to clean the community center. Sam Meers, Megan Shackelford and Travis Holcomb, yea.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:05 Sam Meers moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Mayor Timmy Kieser, Sr.

Pam King City Clerk