

CITY OF ELWOOD, KANSAS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 4, 2025

At 7:00pm Mayor Timmy Kieser called the regularly scheduled meeting to order. Those attending: council members Megan Shackelford, Travis Holcomb, Dustin Robinson, CJ Garner and Sam Meers. Also attending: Joel Euler, Wayne Hall, Bill Johnson, Brandon Whetstine and Pam King.

INVOCATION

Joel Euler gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Travis Holcomb moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to approve as written the July 21, 2025 regular council meeting minutes. Dustin Robinson, CJ Garner and Sam Meers, yea.

2026 BUDGET HEARING

After a discussion, Travis Holcomb discussed the funds-Joel Euler showed the progress the water fund made in one year-among other things discussed regarding the 2026 Budget, Sam Meers moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to adopt the 2026 Budget. Dustin Robinson, CJ Garner and Travis Holcomb, yea.

ATTORNEYS

The Vaughn Ellsworth property at 605 Oak Street will be notified to mow the property.

Dustin Robinson moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to adopt ordinance 1352, AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE COUNCIL MEETING TIME TO 6:00PM. Sam Meers, CJ Garner and Travis Holcomb, yea.

Joel Euler suggested contacting the City of Troy, asking about a grant administrator they have been using. Troy will be contacted.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Brandon Whetstine informed the governing body he has received the new patrol vehicle.

Whetstine did ALICE training at the school, also attending were Clear Sky Hospital and First Option Bank.

Whetstine reminded everyone National Night Out was being held tomorrow night from 6:00pm until 9:00pm.

Whetstine said James Hubbard informed him the property at 1305 Kentucky is set for demolition. The lot across the street from the 1305 Kentucky was also discussed.

CITY SUPERVISOR

Wayne Hall informed the governing body an employee backed into the garage, denting one of the trucks. Hall will get an estimate for repairs.

APPROVAL OF CHECKS

Dustin Robinson moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to approve checks numbered 68522-68582. Motion carried.

GOVERNING BODY

Sam Meers requested an executive session for legal.

CJ Garner asked the status of the property at 13th and Missouri. The property owner has been ticketed for inoperable vehicles and a weed notice has been sent out.

A weed letter will be sent to the property owner of 605 Libel Street.

CJ Garner said the summer help did great.

Garner discussed the City hiring a code enforcement officer. A discussion followed, no decision was made.

Travis Holcomb discussed changing the zoning along Vermont Street back to residential. Also discussed, zoning issues and zoning violations-and hiring a code enforcement officer not from Elwood.

The rate study was briefly discussed.

Holcomb asked if Rural Water was still going to assist in locating water and sewer lines. Rural Water is still going to help.

Sam Meers suggested sending a letter to residents letting them know if they need help cleaning up their property, the city can assist with volunteers.

Holcomb suggested a fall clean up.

Megan Shackelford said the Halloween Parade will be held October 18 at 1:00pm.

Shackelford asked to get a bid for spray foam for the concession stand from Waylen Leslie. Leslie will be contacted.

Shackelford asked Fairview Mills be contacted to mow the property north of the business.

Also discussed, parked cars on Vermont Street at 6th Street, zoning districts along Vermont Street and changing the zoning along Vermont Street.

Megan Shackelford asked the governing body if they looked at Redwood Drive, which was recently asphalted. Hall said Herzog will inspect the street, making sure there are no issues.

Shackelford asked if anyone had looked into getting cameras at the park/concession stand.

Shackelford asked if the road could be sprayed for weeds-weeds in the cracks.

Shackelford asked the status of the emergency snow ordinance. Euler is working on it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:47 Megan Shackelford moved, Sam Meers seconded, to go into executive session for legal for 5 minutes. CJ Garner, Travis Holcomb and Dustin Robinson, yea. It was extended for 8 minutes.

REGULAR SESSION

At 8:00pm regular session resumed. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:00pm Megan Shackelford moved, Travis Holcomb seconded, to adjourn.
Motion carried.

Mayor Timmy Kieser, Sr.

Pam King City Clerk