

CITY OF ELWOOD, KANSAS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 20, 2026

At 6:00pm Mayor Travis Holcomb called the regularly scheduled meeting to order. Those attending: council members Megan Shackelford, Matt McFarland, CJ Garner. Also attending: Brandon Whetstine, Charles Baskins, Bill Johnson, Tammy Rucker and Pam King.

Council member Dustin Robinson was absent.

Council member Nate Daniels arrived at 6:25pm.

INVOCATION

Travis Holcomb gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Megan Shackelford moved, CJ Garner seconded, to approve as written the April 6, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes and the April 13, 2026 special meeting minutes. Matt McFarland, yea.

VISITORS

Tammy Rucker appeared before the governing body to discuss the portable storage building on her property at 3rd and Kentucky Streets. Discussions were held regarding running utilities to the building, adding more buildings for more daycare space, State regulations and City regulations relating to daycares, parking and conditional use permits. After the discussions, Mayor Holcomb told Rucker her next step would be applying for a conditional use permit.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Brandon Whetstine requested an executive session for personnel.

CITY SUPERVISOR

Bill Johnson told the governing body clean up days went well.

Johnson requested an executive session for personnel.

APPROVAL OF CHECKS

Megan Shackelford moved, Matt McFarland seconded, to approve checks numbered 69415-69461. Motion carried.

GOVERNING BODY

CJ Garner discussed the noise ordinance, asking if it addresses barking dogs. The noise ordinance does not apply to barking dogs.

CJ Garner asked that 902 Vermont be sent a notice to repair the fence.

Megan Shackelford gave prayers to Mickey Meers/transplant list.

Shackelford gave prayers to the Jennifer Edie family.

Shackelford asked how often the governing body wanted to have clean up days. Clean up days will be held in the spring and fall.

Shackelford discussed having another rabies clinic-the first one was held in February. Chief Whetstine will look into setting up a clinic.

Shackelford asked the police department to check golf carts-and drivers, some are driving too fast, dangerously.

Matt McFarland gave condolences to the Jennifer Edie family.

McFarland gave prayers to Mickey Meers.

McFarland said someone was concerned about the barrels behind the old Simpsons grocery store. Bill Johnson said they are empty-not filled with anything.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:20 Megan Shackelford moved, Matt McFarland seconded, to go into executive session for personnel and legal for 15 minutes. CJ Garner, yea. It was extended for 30 minutes.

Nate Daniels arrived at 6:25pm.

REGULAR SESSION

At 7:05 regular session resumed.

Matt McFarland moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to hire Matt Mitchell for outside crew at \$18 per hour. CJ Garner and Nate Daniels, yea.

Megan Shackelford moved, Matt McFarland seconded, to authorize Mayor Travis Holcomb and Clerk Pam King as signers for the CDs at Farmers State Bank. CJ Garner and Nate Daniels, yea.

Megan Shackelford moved, Matt McFarland seconded, to authorize a \$100,000 withdrawal from the CDs at Farmers State Bank of Wathena to be deposited in the City's checking account. CJ Garner and Nate Daniels, yea.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:10 Megan Shackelford moved, CJ Garner seconded, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Mayor Travis Holcomb

Pam King City Clerk