

CITY OF ELWOOD, KANSAS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 17, 2026

At 6:05pm Mayor Travis Holcomb called the regularly scheduled meeting to order. Those attending: council members Megan Shackelford, Nate Daniels, CJ Garner and Dustin Robinson. Also attending: Charles Baskins, Brandon Whetstine and Pam King.

Matt McFarland arrived at 6:25PM.

INVOCATION

Dustin Robinson gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nate Daniels moved, Megan Shackelford seconded, to approve as written the August 3, 2026 regular council meeting minutes. Motion carried.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Brandon Whetstine told the governing body no bids were received for the Charger. Purple Wave will be contacted. The ad for accepting bids will be placed on Facebook.

Whetstine requested an executive session for personnel.

CITY SUPERVISOR

Bill Johnson was out sick. Johnson did want to tell the governing body Chris Clary no longer worked for the City of Elwood.

APPROVAL OF CHECKS

Megan Shackelford moved, Nate Daniels seconded, to approve checks numbered 69833-69887. Motion carried.

GOVERNING BODY

Mayor Holcomb would like a weed letter sent to the owner of 10th and Missouri Streets.

The property at 210 Roseport Road needs a weed letter. Weed letters will also be sent to 606 Roseport Road, 217 S. 7th Street and 13th and Missouri Streets.

Mayor Holcomb told the governing body to let him know if they were attending the Elanco completion/renovation celebration on August 26.

Mayor Holcomb requested an executive session for legal and economic development.

Holcomb asked what could be done about the Capri Motel-and all the police calls there. It was decided a letter would be sent to the Capri.

At 6:25 Matt McFarland arrived.

CJ Garner said the property at 12th and Missouri Streets needs a weed letter.

Garner said the crew did a great job changing the sewer pump at 1106 Atlantic Street.

Garner asked the status of property at 804 Vermont Street, getting it cleaned up.

Megan Shackelford said approximately 50 kids attended the paintball/foam end of summer party at the City Park, all went well. Shackelford would like to see more governing body members at her events.

Shackelford is having the Halloween celebration on October 17, parade starting at 4:00pm. A movie in the park will be shown after dark. The entry fee for the parade will be 3 non-perishable food items.

Nate Daniels said everything he heard about the end of summer party was great, it was a hit.

Daniels discussed the letter sent to the County Commissioners-clarifying some events/dispatching problems with the Sheriff's department. Daniels said he has already met with the Sheriff regarding this issue.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:35 Megan Shackelford moved, Nate Daniels seconded, to go into executive session for legal, personnel and economic development for 15 minutes. CJ Garner, Dustin Robinson and Matt McFarland, yea. It was extended for 1 hour and 5 minutes.

REGULAR SESSION

At 7:55 regular session resumed.

Dustin Robinson moved, Nate Daniels seconded, to hire Tom Williams for part time police officer in the amount of \$35 per hour, and he will take a patrol vehicle home. Megan Shackelford, Matt McFarland and CJ Garner, yea.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:55 CJ Garner moved, Dustin Robinson seconded, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Mayor Travis Holcomb

Pam King, City Clerk