

CITY OF COTTONWOOD FALLS

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The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls was called to order at 5:59 pm in the Municipal Meeting Room.

Those present at the meeting were Mayor Buddy Sisson, Council Members: Mike Hastings, Greg Campbell, Ryan Spinden, Nick Rogers, Grant Edwards. Scott Gumfory, Utilities Supervisor, and Tina Andrews, City Clerk.

Agenda Approval: Mike Hastings motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Nick Rogers, passed unanimously.

Previous Minutes Approval: Nick Rogers motioned to approve prior minutes, seconded by Greg Campbell, passed unanimously. After correcting Grant's last name.

Guests: No guests.

MAYOR REPORT:

Building Permit: Ray Crawford – 23 Mulberry Street, - CWF, KS – Patio roof.

Mike Hastings motion to approve, seconded by Ryan Spinden, motion carried.

Special Event Request – 250th Celebration – Block Party – July 3, 2026 – 5:00 to 7:30 PM

Motion to approve was given by Nick Rogers, seconded by Greg Campbell, motion carried.

- Barricades will need to be delivered to block off streets.

Resolution No. 2026-3 – 250th America Anniversary – Block Party & Firework Display

Nick Rogers motioned to approve, seconded by Mike Hastings, passed by unanimous vote.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Special Event Insurance quote for the block party & firework display has been requested, not received yet.

Fireworks fund was discussed by council and the prior year's donations. Mike Hastings motioned to approve a \$1k per year for the years of 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023, and 2024. Nick Rogers seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously. Mike Hastings motioned to donate the amount \$1.5k for the current year of 2026, total to be donated \$6.5k. Breakdown: \$5k prior years \$1k for 2026 regular firework display and another \$500 for the finale. Motion seconded by Nick Rogers; passed unanimously.

Advantage Computers quote on security cameras. No action taken. Nick Rogers said the courthouse used another company for theirs, he will send the information to Tina.

ATMOS – Green – Incident: council reviewed report & pictures. No action taken.

CWF Sponsorship on pool for July 3rd. Tina emailed council members, four yeses to approve the pool sponsorship passed.

Swimming Pool Project, letter from Cindy K. No action taken.

OLD BUSINESS:

Charles Rayl stopped by the city office with the Lease Release Form and signed the form in front of Tina. Next step to taken to the Register of Deeds for record of release form.

Ordered AED for Brenda Wessel for the city pool. * Arrived on June 16, 2026.

CITY CLERK:

Tina explained the Official Complaint from Peggy Zeismer about Animals at Large at her property. Tina emailed Jacob Welsh & CCSO; Jacob recommended that the city send Ordinance No. 997 pertaining to the city regulations and requirements on animals to be sent certified to Bryan Maurer. Tina wrote a letter and sent both to Bryan Maurer. He also wanted Peggy to call 911 if this happened again. Tina informed Peggy of things. No problems so far.

Terri wanted the council to explain the procedure for replacing broken or cracked poly carts. After a discussion, Scott will inspect the poly carts that have been damaged and decide the extent of the damage. If the poly carts are to be replaced due to misuse, abuse, or age. The replacement price of the poly cart will be \$75 (cost). Otherwise, if the cart is just damaged due to regular use with just wear & tear, there would be no cost.

Tina asked about the sidewalk replacement or repair procedure. After a discussion, the council would like a quote on the project, including the removal of the sidewalk. Sidewalks would not be replaced if they did not have sidewalks on either side. The city would review the costs, and a decision would be per project. Buddy will check his records. Scott will check with the price of concrete and contact Brandon Schlup for some other work at the community building. Proof of cash, in notebooks. Ordinance No. 2281 – Council Grove legal publication from the Council Grove Republican, was given to the council to review. No action taken.

UTILITIES REPORT:

Scott reported on prices on stop signs & replacing the crosswalk. No action taken. New banners up, Monday, June 15, put up older banners to balance the double frames.

Staff Policy & Relations:

Street Alleys & Properties:

Economics, Tax & Finance:

Parks & Recreation:

Sidewalks:

Economics, Taxation & Finance:

Community Relations:

Capital Improvements: Mayor talked about the space next to the council room and asked for suggestions on what it could be used for in the future.

APPROVAL OF: Payroll, Taxes, EFT's, and Bills:

Mike Hastings presented the bill payment checks, voided checks, EFT's, QuickBooks payroll figures, and overtime.

Federal, Medicare & Social Security, and State Withholdings, KPERS. Mike Hastings motioned to approve, seconded by Nick Rogers. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Hastings, second by Nick Rogers, motion carried: Time 7:09pm.

Mayor William Sisson: *William C. Sisson*

Attest: Tina Andrews, City Clerk: *Tina Andrews*

City Seal: