

CITY OF CAWKER CITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
January 8, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING-CAWKER CITY, KS

Oath of office was given to Mayor Doug Bader, Council members J. Cunningham & Teresa Cobb prior to the special council meeting held on Jan 2, 2025

Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Jamie Cunningham & Carl Suter

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle, Viki Aramendi & City Attorney Chantz Martin

**PUBLIC VISITORS:** Darin Prince-KMEA, Julia Rabe-SVCF, Chris-Misty Thornton & Marge Nyhoff

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from Dec. 11 regular council & Jan. 2 2025 special council meeting. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

C. Suter made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1565A. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve Livestock permit for Kay Jones (chickens) C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

C. Suter made a motion to place Steve McMillan in place as a council member to take Doug Bader remaining one year term on the council. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 4 AYES. Mayor Bader thanked Steve for taking the open seat and asked him to take his place at the council table. Clerk Mick gave him the Oath of Office.

**PUBLIC COMMENT & PUBLIC VISITORS:** Julia Rabe was present to give a presentation on the Dream Big 2.0 grant program. She explained the grant to the council and answered questions. Council thanked her for coming and they would discuss it further on participation. Darin Prince from KMEA was present to review the electric rate study that he had prepared for the city. He went over the presentation and answered questions from the council, then gave his recommendations. Council agreed to move forward with his rate increases and asked City attorney Martin to draw up a new electric rate utility ordinance and they would look at it at the February council meeting. Council thanked him for coming and giving them good advice on keeping the cities electric utility rates up to date. Chris Thornton was present to discuss the recent snow storm and how the city handled the removal of the snow. Mayor Bader stated that the issue was set to be discussed further and that he did agree that the City should have a better plan. Thornton asked about possibly getting some better tires for the fire trucks. Council asked C. Gullion to get prices and report back to the February council meeting.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Nothing to report on

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion stated the cost for the line stop where the old water tower set would be \$4,500.00 (6-inch line)

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Gullion reported that the hitch on the brown truck needed some work. J. Wise made a motion to fix hitch on brown truck and C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**D. Mick:** Clerk Mick reported that she had moved Viki Aramendi to contract labor and that Jo Biddle was doing a good job.

**J. Reed:** No report

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There were know updates on the storm drain project. Old water tower property was briefly discussed. A monitoring meeting on the CDBG water tower project will be held on February 6 at the city office.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Mayor D. Bader asked the council to make a nomination for Council president. T. Cobb nominated C. Suter; J. Wise seconded Motion carried 4 AYES (C. Suter abstained.) Carl Suter is now Council president
2. Mayor Bader then made the following appointments- Finance/permit/youth (J. Wise & J. Cunningham) Equipment/police (C. Suter – S. McMillan) Fire dept/streets/alleys/parks (J. Wise & T. Cobb) Electric/Water (J. Cunningham-S. McMillan) Sewer/tree board/landfill (T. Cobb & C. Suter)
3. J. Wise made a motion to approve the 2025 Fire dept officers. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES
4. Much discussion on the recent snow storm and how removal was handled. All agreed that we needed to have a policy in place. Council asked clerk Mick to research and report back at the February council meeting

9:25 p.m.- J. Wise made a motion to adjourn C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

Approved: 2/12/25

City Clerk:

*Aimee Hara*



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Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Jamie Cunningham & Steve McMillan (Carl Suter absent)

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from Jan 8 regular council & Jan. 2 2025 special council meeting with corrections. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1566A. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve Livestock permit for Kevin Phillips (chickens), Misty Thornton (cows), Bill Brummer (goats), David Vaughan (chickens) J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 4

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Mr. Martin reported that he is working on the new electric ordinance

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion reported on tires for the fire truck and council asked him to do more research on the subject. Gullion stated that the electrical service for Dylan Frasier new home had been updated with assistance from the City of Glen Elder. Mayor Bader had requested that Gullion research possible purchasing of line stop equipment. The approximate cost could exceed \$70,000.00. Consensus was just leaving things as is for now.

**D. Mick:** Clerk Mick presented the budget contract for 2025 with City Aid. J. Wise made a motion to approve the renewal. T. Cobb seconded. Motion carried 4 AYES CDBG grant on water tower is finished and will be reviewed with council at the March meeting. Clerk Mick reported that the Electric overage loan with the State of Kansas will be paid off in April 2025. She also reported that all customers will have their portion paid in August, the amount collected from the customers will pay back the amount the City paid out of the Electric reserve fund.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There were no updates on the storm drain project. Old water tower property was briefly discussed. A monitoring meeting on the CDBG water tower project will be held on February 6 at the city office. Discussion on the Dream Big 2.0 grant was discussed. J. Cunningham stated she would contact the school with dates and the use of the all-purpose room for the event and report back to council at the March meeting. Discussion on some more places to post the help wanted ad for open city positions. Clerk Mick stated they would get this taken care of.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

1. NCRP will be at the March council meeting to review water tower project and get started on Capital Improvement Plan.
2. Several snow removal plans were presented to council to review. Plans were tabled till March meeting.

8:15 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for attorney client with City attorney Martin present for 15 minutes. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES. 8:30 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES (NO ACTION)

3. Advertising for Part-time clerk was tabled.
4. J. Wise made a motion to appoint Patty Loyd to library board. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES
5. J. Wise made a motion to approve the city appointments that were presented by Mayor Bader. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 4 AYES
6. J. Wise made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Lakeside High after prom. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 4 AYES
7. Information from the Lakeside Golf was included in the council packet concerning projects they would like to do. They also stated that they had applied for a grant to install central air and heat in the club house. Consensus of council was that projects would be taken out of the Golf Course project fund.
8. J. Wise made a motion to approve servicing equipment for fire dept. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES
9. Resignation letter from code officer James Reed was presented to council effective March 1, 2025. J. Cunningham made a motion to accept the resignation. J. Wise seconded Motion carried 4 AYES Council asked Clerk Mick to advertise the position.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:** S. McMillan reported that the library had installed a bench on the north side of the library to allow people to use the internet.

8:40 p.m.- J. Wise made a motion to adjourn S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

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March 12, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
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Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Carl Suter (J Cunningham & S McMillan absent)

**PUBLIC MEETING OPENED FOR THE CLOSING OF THE WATER TOWER PROJECT.**

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from February 12 regular council meeting. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

C. Suter made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1567A. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve livestock permits for C. Wyman (livestock), S. Collard (chickens) S. Bowles (chickens) C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Katelyn Pahls-NCKRP, Christine Hanson – Loyd group

Christine Hanson from the Loyd group (city auditors) reviewed the 2024 city audit with council and reported that everything looked great. Council did not have any questions for her and thanked her for coming. Katelyn Pahls from regional planning was present to explain the closing of the water tower project. She then explained the Capital Improvement program and that they would like to start in April with one meeting a month for about 4 months for 1 hour. First meeting will be April 16 at 7:30 p.m. The cost for the program is billed by the hour and mileage.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Mr. Martin presented Ord. 1201 – new electric rates. J. Wise made the motion to pass Ord. 1201. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES This ordinance will be put into place on the April billing cycle.

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion reported that he had replaced one tire on the fire truck and visited with the fire chief and he was okay for the city to purchase tire chains for the winter months for both trucks. Gullion reported that we had an electric pole break and that the City of Glen Elder will be coming over to help with the project. Gullion stated that the RV park project was reaching completion and that we would be having KMEA coming in to assist. The golf course did not receive a grant for AC/heating updates at the golf course club house but they plan on moving forward with funds from project fund (this fund was established by the golf course fund raising projects) The golf course is needing grass seed. C. Suter made a motion to purchase grass seed, not to exceed \$1,000.00. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

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**D. Mick:** Mick presented the office plan for the rest of the year, listing her retirement date as 12/31/25 and at that time J. Biddle will be the full-time clerk. Discussion on when to hire the new part time clerk was discussed and council asked for a proposed budget to cover the expense for the last quarter of the year before advertising for that open position. Clerk Mick put information in the council packet about Kansas Commerce visiting the CDBG project (new water tower) on April 23 at 3:20 p.m.

**J.Biddle:** Biddle gave a brief update on the new notification system the City is putting in place. She answered questions and stated that this will be great for city notifications.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. An update was given on the Dream Big 2.0 grant meeting. The meeting will be held on April 3, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lakeside Elementary Multi-purpose room. Councilman Steve McMillan will be heading the committee on this project.
2. Clerk Mick discussed the updating of the help wanted advertising.
3. Mayor Bader brought up the snow removal plans for discussion. Since there was not a full council it was tabled till the April 2025 meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. J. Wise made a motion to donate to the annual Easter egg hunt (\$200.00). C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES
2. Clerk Mick reminded C. Suter, J. Wise & S. McMillan about the deadline for council filing of June 1.
3. Explanation on the reallocation of the ARPA funds was led by City Attorney Martin and Clerk Mick fielded some questions due to the changes that were made in late December.
4. Information on the City receiving a KWO grant for the engineering study of the city water lines.
5. Council advised Clerk Mick to start advertising for summer help
6. J. Wise made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the Waconda Baseball program. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES
7. Councilman J. Wise asked about the city paying for the spraying of the football field, which had been paid for by a private individual. The cost of Rick Weeks spraying has been approximately \$600.00. J. Wise made a motion to spray the field a cost to not exceed \$600.00. C. Suter seconded. 3 AYES

9:00 p.m. – Public meeting on the water tower project closed- No public were in attendance.

9:05 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with Attorney Martin, D. Mick, C. Gullion for 10 minutes. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

9:15 p.m. – C. Suter made a motion to return to regular session. J. Wise seconded Motion carried 3 AYES **NO ACTION**

9:16 p.m. - C. Suter made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with Attorney Martin, D. Mick, C. Gullion & J. Biddle for 10 minutes. J. Wise seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

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9:26 p.m. - J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES **NO ACTION**

J. Wise made a motion to let D. Reling start at the golf course on April 14. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

Mayor Doug Bader stated that he had been approached by Skyler Wise about the property where the old water tower set. Mayor Bader asked C. Gullion to get a quote on the line stop that will be needed to get the water line off the property then the issue could be discussed further at the April meeting.

9:30 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk:

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April 9, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
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Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Carl Suter, Jamie Cunningham & Steve McMillan

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** C. Suter made the motion to approve the minutes from March 12 regular council meeting with corrections. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1568A. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve the use of the golf course club house on May 24 for Tom Thull for a class reunion. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Sheri Naasz from Cushing Ins.

Sheri Naasz reviewed the renewal of the city's coverage with EMC insurance. She explained each category and the changes in the coverage and cost. C. Gullion stated he had a couple changes that he wanted to review and Sheri stated she would take care of it. It was reported that a dividend check would be coming to the city for \$4,495.00. C. Suter made a motion to approve the EMC renewal. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Mr. Martin briefly discussed the current ambulance barn agreement with council.

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion reported to council after the last electrical outage he has found that another generator would be needed for the sewer lift stations. He has been checking around and the average cost of a generator would fall around \$10,000.00. J. Wise made a motion to move forward with finding another generator. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES Gullion placed a quote in the council packet for the line stop for the water line where the old water tower set. Mayor Bader stated he would visit with Skyler Wise about the cost of the line stop. Gullion stated that the recloser for the sub station was here and they would get it put in place. Council discussed the sub station and thought it should be discussed during the capital improvement meeting.

**D. Mick:** Clerk Mick stated that the new electric rates will used at the April billing cycle. A K-dot meeting will be held to move forward with storm drain project on April 24

**J.Biddle:** nothing to report

**ORDINANCE:** J. Wise made a motion to approve Resolution 01-25 (Prepayment for special utility requests). C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Mayor Bader presented the three snow removal policies. After discussion Plan #3 was presented with 3 AYES and 2 AYES. Plan #3 policy will be in place for future use.
2. Clerk Mick reminded the 3 council members of the upcoming filing date of June 1
3. Clerk Mick reminded council of the upcoming CDBG town tour on April 23
4. Capital Improvement meeting will be April 16 at 7:30

**NEW BUSINESS**

8:50 – J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with Attorney Martin for 30 minutes. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

9:20 – J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES (NO ACTION)

C. Suter made a motion to approve the following employee review raises. J. Biddle-\$3.00, C. Gullion \$.70, L. Roenne \$.50, D. Reling \$1.00. Summer help will be \$12.00 S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

1. Reports were given on the Dream Big grant meeting. Four projects were reported on.

2. J. Wise made a motion to approve the supplement agreement for construction engineering services (storm drain) J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

3. A resignation letter was placed in council packet from council person J. Cunningham as they are moving out of town. C. Suter made a motion to accept her resignation letter effective May 14. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 3 AYES, 1 Naye, 1 abstain

9:45- J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with Attorney Martin for 10 minutes to review summer help and code enforcement applications. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

9:50- J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES (NO ACTION)

J. Wise made a motion to hire Lucas Wisemen as code enforcement at \$350.00 @month. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

C. Suter made a motion to hire Hunter Kirgis & Ronnie Robinson as summer help at an hourly rate of \$12.00. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

4. J. Wise made a motion to approve the technical assistant water grant. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

9:50 – C. Suter made a motion to adjourn. J. Cunningham seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk:

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May 14, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
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Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Carl Suter, Steve McMillan

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** C. Suter made the motion to approve the minutes from April 9 regular council meeting & April 16 special council meeting. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

C. Suter made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1569A. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

Mayor Doug Bader made the nomination to fill Jamie Cunningham vacant council seat with Colleen Eberle. J. Wise made a motion to approve the appointment of Colleen Eberle to city council. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES Clerk Mick then gave Colleen Eberle the oath of office and she took her seat at the council table.

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve building permits for Austin Eilert (concrete pad), Cody Schlaefli (storage shed) C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve the fence permit for David Stover. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES. Fence permit for Bill Brummer was discussed in length due to a property line issue. City Attorney Martin advised council that property lines are to be settled between the property owners and the City should not be involved. J. Wise made a motion to approve the fence permit for Bill Brummer. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES C. Suter made a motion to approve the livestock permit for C. Schlaefli (chickens). T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 5 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve the use of the golf club house for Cunningham Telephone on June 21. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Stacy Hardy, Rollin Roth & Chandra Doane (Youth golf) Chris Thornton, Austin Eilert, Travis Mick, Bud Howland & Devan Bechard for (fire dept.) Bob Burda (Cawker township) Josh & Adriane Moyer public visitors

Chandra Doane representing Downs Parks & Rec. was present to talk to the council about starting a youth golf program at the Lakeside Golf Course. She explained that Downs Parks & Rec. would be carrying the insurance coverage and was asking if the City would be willing to waive the green fees for this program. The program would be supervised by Rollin Roth & Steve McMillan. Rollin stated that the dates would be the last week of June and first week of July and they would work the scheduling out with the city so that they would not interfere with maintenance at the golf course. Stacy Hardy added that there would be a \$25.00 fee for each participant to cover costs. J. Wise made a motion to waive green fees for the golf program. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES. Council thanked them for coming and reviewing this new program with the council. The fire department was present to discuss with the council about the need of replacing the current fire trucks. They explained that the motor on the water hose pump has gone out. Mayor Bader added to the discussion as he as taken a look at it. Approximate cost to repair the pump could range up to \$20,000.00 if

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they can even find a replacement. After much discussion on the fire department needs was to move forward with replacing both trucks. Clerk Mick reported to council that she has applied for CDBG grant for the fire department but that could take some time. Council advised them to start looking for different trucks. The department stated that they are working on doing some fund raising to help build some funds. Not only are the trucks needing updated but also their gear is becoming very dated. Chief Thornton stated they would get a list of other equipment to the city office so possibly some more grants for equipment could be looked at. All fire department members spoke of the needs and the importance of keeping the department updated. J. Wise made a motion to not repair the current truck and to apply for a CDBG grant and any other possible grants to move forward with replacing the equipment. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES Fireworks were discussed with the fire department also. Chief Thornton stated that the county has stated that each department would be responsible for making the decision on the use of fireworks. The department thanked the council for helping them resolve their present issue with not having a truck and the importance of keeping an active and safe department.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Nothing to report

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion reported that the township would like to purchase some 36x32 culverts that are stored at the tree burn site. B. Burda was present from the township to offer that the township would pay \$750.00 per culvert. Council asked Gullion what he thought. He stated that he would like to keep one and could sell three. S. McMillan made a motion to sell Cawker Township 3 (36x32) culverts at a price of \$750.00 each totaling \$2,250.00. This money to be placed in the Road reserve fund. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES Gullion reported that the city had purchased a generator for the sewer lift stations at a cost of \$6,579.00 from United Rental. A transfer switch is needed at the sewer lift station at a cost of \$705.00, also he would like to install a flush valve at 9<sup>th</sup> & Redwood to help keep the water clear. Gullion also reported that the transformer at the school needed to be upgraded and asked the council if he should bill the school. Council asked him to bring prices for the transformer for the June meeting and they would address it at that time. Gullion also stated that he had gotten the batteries for the sirens at a cost \$289.00 x6 with prior approval from the mayor.

**D. Mick:** Clerk Mick stated that they are starting on the 2026 budget. She also stated that Municipal Supply will be attending the Capital Improvement meeting to discuss radio read water meters. Mick reported that the pre-application for the CDBG grant (fire dept) had been submitted. A public hearing for the CDBG grant for the new fire truck will be held on May 29 at noon at the city office.

**J. Biddle:** Biddle reminded council about the Capital Improvement meeting on May 21 at 7:00 9:25 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes for non-elected personnel with City Attorney Martin and Jo Biddle. C. Suter seconded. Motion carried 5 AYES 9:35 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. C. Suter seconded Motion carried NO ACTION J. Wise made a motion to hire Jo Biddle as the City Clerk upon the retirement of Clerk Mick. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES She will begin training for the position on October 1, 2025. Clerk Mick will retire her full-time position on December 31, 2025. Jo Biddle wage will change to \$15.00 on October 1, 2025 and the office is to start advertising for the part time billing clerk August 1, 2025

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Clerk Mick reminded the 3 council members of the upcoming filing date of June 1
2. Old water tower property was tabled for later discussion

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Vendor fees for food trucks was discussed. J. Wise made a motion to require a \$25.00 yearly permit for food trucks. C. Suter seconded. Motion carried 5 AYES Council asked clerks to prepare a resolution to be approved at the June meeting.
2. Council asked Gullion about how the water meters are read. Gullion stated when there is snow or below freezing temperatures the water pits are not opened so the clerks estimate the usage. It was unfortunate that there was 2 months in a row that the water usage was estimated.
3. Discussion on the sale of fireworks in Cawker City was discussed. C. Eberle made a motion to extend the sale and firing of fireworks to July 5. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES
4. The city was addressed on who made the decision on the closing of the streets during the K-dot project. Clerk Mick reported that the city had know say on how the project was being maintained.
5. Repair of City streets was discussed with C. Gullion and he reviewed the street repair rotation that is done every year.
6. Clerk Mick presented some applications for the open city position. 9:40 J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel with Attorney Martin. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried. Motion carried 5 AYES 9:50 J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES NO ACTION. Council reported that they would like to interview at the June meeting.
7. S. McMillan reported on the repairs being done at the library and that the library was paying for the repairs

Councilman - J. Wise reported that they are getting ready to use the ball field and requested a key to the storage units that held the new equipment.

9:55– J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk:

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June 11, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
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Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Steve McMillan, Colleen Eberle (Carl Suter absent)

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from May 14 regular council meeting & May 21 & 28 special council meeting. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1570A. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve building permits for Teresa Cobb -storage building, Nick Werthmann-outdoor shelter. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES Bill Brummer fence permit was tabled. Mayor Bader stated that he would visit B. Brummer and H. Wiese in regards to the property line discussion. J. Wise made a motion to approve the use of the golf course club house for Annabeth Nicholson 8-15-25 class reunion. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve the fireworks permit for Shannon DePoy. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Lee Mick, Bill Schlaefli, Shannon DePoy, Cole Eberle & Chelsa Anderson – Dream Big presentation, Katelyn Pahls – CDBG grant information for fire dept.

Lee Mick gave a presentation for the Dream Big project grant. He gave information on improving the existing city park. The group would like to remove and replace trees, paint playground equipment, install water fountain, possible seating along south ends of park and gave some future plans on possible movie screen, pickle ball court, new grass, sprinkler system and some new equipment. Pictures and quotes of cost were presented to the council. Council asked about several items that would involve the city, Mick stated he had visited with the city in regards to these issues. Cole Eberle and Chelsa Anderson gave their groups project of purchasing some new equipment for the existing weight room. They reviewed with the council the cost of equipment and how this building was used by many age groups in town and out of town. They gave a report and the age and condition of the equipment that is being presently being used and that they actually had money to contribute to the project. Council thanked them for their presentation and the good information that was provided. S. McMillan is the council representative on this project. He thanked them and stated that there are two more projects to be presented at the July council meeting and then the council would make a decision on what project would be funded or if several would be funded.

Katelyn Pahls presented the paperwork for the Fire dept grant applications to be approved by the council. C. Eberle made a motion to approve the NCKRP contract for the grant. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve the Ant displacement plan. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES She then reviewed the

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disclosure report, statement of assurances & determination of level of review with council and had the mayor sign each of the agreements.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Attorney Martin gave a brief report on some alleys and streets that the county appraiser had asked about. Consensus of council is not to close alleys and streets at this time

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion reported on the possible need of updating transformer at school. Gullion reviewed the proposal for radio read water meters with council, which had been discussed at the Special meeting on May 21. J. Wise made a motion to move forward with purchasing the new radio read water meters at a cost of \$87,970.68 to be paid out of the sales tax reserve fund. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES Gullion stated that the sewer lift stations were needing some repair. He presented one quote and council asked him to get another quote and bring back to the July meeting. Gullion stated that he would be needing to do a line stop at the corner of Wisconsin/Maple street for K-Dot project at a cost of approximately \$4,300.00. C. Eberle made a motion to do the line stop and pay out of the sales tax reserve fund. J. Wise seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**D. Mick:** Clerk Mick gave a brief update on the CDBG grant for the fire dept. Mick then presented two quotes for updating the office computers due to Windows 11. Council tabled the updates for now.

**J.Biddle:** Biddle reminded council about the Capital Improvement meeting on June 18 at 7:00

**ORDINANCES:** J. Wise made a motion to pass Resolution 2-2025 (Food truck permit) T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES J. Wise made a motion to pass Resolution 3-2025 Hazard Mitigation. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES J. Wise made a motion to pass Resolution 4-2025 (CDBG grant application for fire dept) S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES J. Wise made a motion pass Resolution 5-2025 (Operation & Maintenance fire dept) S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1.** Discussion on old water tower property was discussed. The city will deed the property to SMC upon their payment of the line stop for the water line on the property at a cost of \$4,126.02. S. McMillan made the motion to deed the property to SMC upon payment of line stop. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 3 AYES (J. Wise abstained)
- 2.** The fire dept received a donation of \$1,940.00 from the Lighthouse Church in Downs which has closed. The fire truck from Wisconsin will arrive this week. The city was able to purchase it \$13,000.00; this truck will be used as a second truck and the city will continue to pursue grants to give them another truck. The city has always had two working fire trucks. The old truck was sold to the City of Glen Elder for \$2,500.00.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1.** Discussion on fence permits was discussed in length. Lots of discussion on property line disputes where fences are placed. Consensus of council was not to get involved between two property owners. Discussion on the city requesting proof of survey on property. No decision at this time in regards to this issue.

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9:07 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with all city employees and attorney present for 25 minutes. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

9:26 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES NO ACTION

9:30 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with all city employees and attorney present for 15 minutes. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

9:40 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES NO ACTION

9:45 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to hire Hunter Kirgis for full time employment at \$16.00 w/ benefits starting June 11, 2025 with a 90-day probation period C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

9:55– J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk:

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July 9, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
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Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Steve McMillan, Colleen Eberle & Carl Suter

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from June 11 regular council meeting & June 18 special council meeting. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

C. Suter made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1571A. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

C. Suter made a motion to approve payment of Invoice #5223 NCRPC-KWO grant administration fees. J. Wise seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** C. Suter made a motion to approve the building permit for B. Wilson-metal building C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES C. Suter made a motion to approve the sidewalk permit for Methodist church. C. Elberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES (J. Wise abstained) J. Wise made a motion to approve the carport permit for Les Shields. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve the fence permit for Bill Brummer that had been tabled from the previous meeting. Discussion on subject was regarded as a misunderstanding and the issue should be taken care of by the property owners. Discussion on length of permits was discussed. All permits are good for 6 months and after a new permit is required. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve the fence & sidewalk permit for Kelly Campbell. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve the livestock permit for Allen DePoy (chickens). S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Rocky Roth – Youth golf, Bill & Pam Brummer, Linda Clover, Jean Brummer, Ginger Thull & Kathy Webster – Dream Big committee

Rocky Roth & Steve McMillan thanked the city for waving the golf fees for the youth golf program and gave a brief report. Consensus of council was that they hoped that the program continued and they were glad everything worked out.

Ginger Thull spoke about the Ball of Twine building and QR codes that they would like to do at the location promoting the history of the Ball of the Twine. Bill Brummer gave an update on the condition of the structure over the ball of Twine. They presented cost for installing a new under ceiling. Council asked questions and thanked the committee for coming and doing their presentation. S. McMillan council representative for the Dream Big program stated that all the projects would be reviewed at the August meeting and a decision would be made at that time.

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**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Attorney Martin had requested copies of the current employee agreement for training that the city was paying for. He reviewed it with council and made several suggestions. The council agreed with the update and asked the attorney to draw up new agreements with the corrections.

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion reported on CDL training and costs. Consensus was at this time to wait and get other employee training first. Gullion stated that some tree removal needs to be done on 1<sup>st</sup> street. Until trees are removed grading the street is difficult. Council asked Gullion to get quote and report at the meeting on July 16. Gullion reviewed street repairs for the summer. He will be doing 25 blocks of street resurfacing see attachment at city office.

**D. Mick:** The council reviewed the two quotes from June meeting for updating of computers. J. Wise made a motion to purchase to computers from Jessy Bliss for a total of \$3,060.00. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES Clerk Mick presented a letter from a resident asking for water reimbursement due to replanting of grass after storm drain project. Consensus of council was that the city would not be reimbursing water costs. Clerk Mick asked council to review the current sewer rates. Discussion was on costs of repairing the sewer lift stations. Clerk Mick asked to raise the set sewer rate by \$3.00 starting with the September utility billing cycle. Council asked Attorney Martin to draw up the new sewer ordinance and present at the August meeting. Clerk Mick asked the council to address the issue of the city clerk use of her personal cell phone. Consensus of the council was to purchase a cell phone for the office to be used for all notifications to do city business.

**J. Biddle:** Biddle reminded council about the Capital Improvement meeting on July 16 at 7:00.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1.** J. Wise made a motion to approve the donation of \$500.00 to the community club for food stand at the picnic. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5AYES
- 2.** Consensus of council was to exceed the revenue neutral rate on the 2026 budget. The budget hearing will be held at 7:00 on September 10, 2025. Council asked about the amount budgeted to the parks & recreation fund. Clerk Mick stated that the amount is an estimate from the state coming from the alcohol tax, which the amount received is split between general fund and parks and recreation according to state rules
- 3.** The council was addressed about the concerns of the motorized bikes and scooters. They asked that a notice be sent out on our notification system in regards to the issues.
- 4.** The council was advised about two illegal dumping that was done at the tree burn site. The individual was identified and the code enforcement officer delivered a notice and advised them of the fine for the illegal dumping. The fine is \$250.00 and if not paid on time the individual was advised it would be taken to court and court fees would be added to the fine.
- 5.** Uniform contract was discussed and Clerk Mick advised council that the service in the last 6 months had been terrible and felt that canceling the contract would be beneficial to the City. She suggested that the city purchase t-shirts and pants for the current full-time employees. They asked her to present prices at the August meeting.
- 6.** J. Wise made a motion to add Logan Roenne & Hunter Kirgis to the fire department. C. Suter seconded. Motion carried 5 AYES

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7. S. McMillan made a motion to add Teresa MacKay to the library board replacing Radonna Carver. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

9:10 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with all city employees and attorney present for 15 minutes. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

9:20 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES NO ACTION

9:25p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with Clerk Mick and attorney present for 15 minutes. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 5AYES

9:30 p.m. – S. McMillan made a motion to return to regular session. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES NO ACTION

9:35 p.m. – J. Wise made a motion to increase Jo Biddle wage scale to \$17.50 October 1, 2025 and to \$20.00 on January 1, 2026 as she assumes full time city clerk position C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

9:35– J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk:

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August 13, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING-CAWKER CITY, KS

Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the regular council meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Steve McMillan, Colleen Eberle & Carl Suter

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from July 9th regular council meeting & July 16 special council meeting. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1572A. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve the building permit for D. Frasier chicken house w/fencing, C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES J. Wise made a motion to approve Livestock permit for D. Frasier S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES C. Suter made a motion to approve the Golf Course Club House rental for S. Remus S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT-**nothing to report

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Nothing to report at this time.

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion gave an update on the current water line replacements and presented about joining the City of Beloit in their concrete removal process, as it would be less expensive with the more cities involved then it would be to do it on our own. They will come to Cawker, crush the concrete, and the city will use it for future projects or uses as needed. Council agreed it would be beneficial. C. Suter made a motion to approve C. Eberle Seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**J. Biddle** Asked the council for approval to move forward to applying for the KDHE SRF loan for the earmarked principal forgiveness that the city is slated for. The council decided to apply for the loan as there is no downside should we choose not to utilize it. C. Suter made the motion to apply S. McMillan seconded Motion Carried 5 AYES Biddle reminded council about the Capital Improvement meeting on July 16 at 7:00.

**ORDINANCES: Ord. 1202 – SEWER RATES:** The new ordinance was presented to council for the suggested increase in the current sewer rates. C. Suter made the motion to approve T. Cobb Seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** S. McMillan reviewed the 3 presented projects for the Dream Big 2.0 Grant. The Park, The Ball of Twin, and the Fitness Center. Each member of council discussed what the projects they thought brought value to the community and would benefit the most from the grant. The council consensus was to give the full granted amount to the fitness center with the Ball of Twine QR code to be funded outside of the grant and the other projects to be looked at for restoration or improvement grants in the future. S. McMillan made the motion for the Dream Big 2.0 Grant to be awarded entirely to the Fitness Center Project C. Suter Seconded Motion carried 5 AYES.

The QR Code for the Ball of Twine project to be funded outside of the grant funds, possibly the tourism fund for \$350.00 J. Wise made the motion C. Suter Seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Budget Hearing 7:00 PM September 10<sup>th</sup> prior to the regular council meeting
2. Food truck permits were discussed for the vendors that are coming to the upcoming picnic. Consensus was that during a sanctioned event the vendors that are invited to come to town will not be required to purchase a yearly permit and the current city Resolution will be edited to exempt vendors only during picnic or sanctioned events
3. The council okayed the Beloit Cross country meet to be held at the Lakeside Golf Course on October 2, 2025
4. Library Board – A. Schlaefli & R. Bock to replace J. Marquina & P. Loyd J. Wise motioned to approve board changes C. Suter Seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

8:12 PM – J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

Approved: 9/10/25

City Clerk: Deneale Micks



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Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Council president Carl Suter called the meeting to order in the absence of Mayor Doug Bader

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Steve McMillan, Colleen Eberle & Carl Suter

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle, Denelle Mick & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from August 10 regular council meeting. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1573A. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve the yearly food truck permit for Taqueria Las Carhitas. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained

**PUBLIC COMMENT**-nothing to report

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Gave a brief report on the old water tower property deeds

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** 7:35 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to into executive session for non-elected personnel for 15 minutes with City Attorney Martin, C. Gullion, D. Mick & J. Biddle. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained. 7:50 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained NO ACTION

**D. Mick :** Clerk reported on the upcoming meetings - Sept 20 – 8:30 AM budget hearing & October 1-6:30 p.m. for KDHE loan meeting. Clerk Mick also asked council about paying for the RO filter changes at the school that needed to be done due to boil notice. Clerk Mick also reported that the city had paid Remus plumbing for supplying water to the school during the boil notice. J. Wise made a motion to not pay for the RO services at the school. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained

**J. Biddle** J. Biddle presented the information on the new software for the new water meters and stated that the software update would cost \$1,250.00 and good till 2027. Also, a tablet would be needed for the guys. Consensus of council was to table till October council meeting. She also reminded them that the last Capital Improvement meeting would be Sept. 17 at 7:00 p.m.

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**ORDINANCES:** Resolution 6-2025 – Establishing a fund for park donation. This fund was established to donate the money from the Lee Mick memorials

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A resident had asked about the payment of a large water bill. The council stated that a policy had been put in place to let residents pay ½ one month and balance due the following month.
2. Clerk Mick presented the 2025 Emergency Water Supply Plan to council. C. Eberle made a motion to approve the plan. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained.

**8:00 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel for applicant #1 for the assistant city clerk position for 15 minutes with C. Martin, C. Gullion, J. Biddle and D. Mick present C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained

**8:10 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained Motion carried 4 AYES NO ACTION

**8:15 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel for applicant #2 for the assistant city clerk position for 15 minutes with C. Martin, C. Gullion, J. Biddle and D. Mick present C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained

**8:25 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained NO ACTION

**8:26 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel for applicant #3 for the assistant city clerk position for 15 minutes with C. Martin, C. Gullion, J. Biddle and D. Mick present.

**8:35 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained NO ACTION

**8:36 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel with C. Martin, C. Gullion, J. Biddle and D. Mick for 10 minutes. S. McMillan seconded. Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained.

**8:46 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to return to regular session. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained NO ACTION

**8:47 p.m.** J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES C. Suter abstained.

Approved:

City Clerk:

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CITY OF CAWKER CITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
October 8, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
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Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Colleen Eberle (Carl Suter & Steve McMillan absent)

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle, Denelle Mick & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from September 10 regular and the Sept. 17, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> & Oct. 1 special council meetings. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1574A. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve the building permit (trailer house) for C. Alvis. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 3 AYES C. Eberle made a motion to approve the fence permit for B. Edwards. J. Wise seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

7:35 p.m. C. Suter arrived

**PUBLIC COMMENT-**nothing to report

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Gave a brief report on the deed update on the old water tower property and stated that the city would need to have Schwab-Eaton survey the property.

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion had nothing to report

**D. Mick:** Mick reported that the Lakeside High School Senior class would like to hold a golf tournament at the Lakeside Golf course on Oct. 18 and asked about having green fees waived. C. Suter made a motion to waive green fees for the school sponsored event. J. Wise seconded Motion carried 4 AYES Clerk Mick reported that the BC/BS rates for 2027 would be a 2% increase for employees and an 8% increase for employer. Housing demo grant information was placed in the council packet. Oath of office will be given to the new city clerk and assistant clerk on Oct. 9.

**J. Biddle** J. Biddle presented the information from the September meeting on the new software for the new water meters and stated that the software update would cost \$1,250.00 and good till 2027. Also, a tablet would be needed for the guys. J. Wise made a motion to move forward with the new software and to purchase a laptop computer. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

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**ORDINANCES:** Resolution 8-2025 -for 5-year capital improvement plan. C. Suter made a motion to approve resolution 8-2025. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

J. Wise made the motion to hire Scott Houtman for the Assistant City Clerk position at an hourly wage of \$14.00. Start date is October 1, 2025 with a 20-hour work week. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**NEW BUSINESS:**

J. Wise made a motion to add Cole Cirilo to the Cawker City Volunteer Fire Dept. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

7:40 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES4

Approved:

City Clerk:

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
November 12, 2025 – 7:30 p.m.  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING-CAWKER CITY, KS

Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Doug Bader called the meeting to order

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Colleen Eberle, Steve McMillan (Carl Suter absent)

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle, Denelle Mick & City Attorney Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** C. Eberle made the motion to approve the minutes from October 8 regular council meeting. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1575. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** J. Wise made a motion to approve livestock permits for B. Schleafli, C. Eberle seconded

**PUBLIC COMMENT-**nothing to report

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Gave a brief report on the old water tower property and stated that the city is waiting on Schwab-Eaton survey the property.

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion gave update on the installation of the new water meters and are about finished with the exceptions of the meter pits that need dug to be replaced.

**D. Mick:** Mick spoke about the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for 2026-2031 and participation in the plan. J. Wise motioned to participate, S. McMillan seconded, Motion carried 4 AYES. Electric rates are increasing from Sunflower Electric; the city is checking with KMEA for more research on the increase.

**J. Biddle** nothing to report

**ORDINANCES:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

J. Wise asked about compliance for a property in question and it was reported that the City Code Enforcer has checked into said property and all is okay.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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J. Wise made a motion for the annual Utility Holiday Drawing for quantity of 4 for \$25.00, C. Eberle seconded, Motion Carried 4 AYES

T. Cobb made a motion for Employee Christmas Bonuses (full time \$300 & parttime \$150), S. McMillan seconded, Motion Carried 4 AYES

J. Wise made a motion for the donation to the Solomon Valley Foundation in the amount of \$500.00. S. McMillan seconded, Motion Carried 4 AYES

7:55 p.m. J. Wise made a motion to adjourn. S. McMillan seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk:

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Mayor Doug Bader called the Special meeting for The Neighborhood Revitalization Public hearing to order. J. Wise motion to open, C. Suter seconded, Motion carried 5 AYES.

C. Suter made the Motion to close public meeting, S. McMillan seconded, 5 AYES

Work Session-Sign off on bills:

**ROLL CALL:** Jake Wise, Teresa Cobb, Colleen Eberle, Steve McMillan, Carl Suter

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Charles Gullion, Jo Biddle, Denelle Mick & City Attorney Martin

**CONSENT AGENDA:** J. Wise made the motion to approve the minutes from November 12th regular council meeting. T. Cobb seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

J. Wise made a motion to approve Claims Ord. 1576. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** C. Suter made a motion to approve livestock permit for J. Clausen, J. Wise seconded Motion Carried, 5 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT**-nothing to report

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Gave updated report on the old water tower property and stated that he is meeting with Stuart Porter to develop the land description and to see if it has to be or needs to be surveyed.

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Nothing to report.

**D. Mick:** Nothing to report.

**J. Biddle:** went over suggestions about electric per the electric study that was conducted, and water, and sewer rate increases for the new year. Increases to keep up with rising rates, keeping pace for future grant fundings, and potential sewer/water problems. J. Biddle suggested increasing electric rates by \$1.00, sewer and water rates by \$2.00. Attorney Martin will bring updated ordinances to the January council meeting.

**ORDINANCES:** ORD. 1203 Neighborhood Revitalization Plan 09-2025 and Interlock Agreement – C. Suter made the motion to pass, J. Wise Seconded, motion carried 5 AYES

**Transfer of Funds:** J. Wise made the motion to transfer funds per 2025 Budget, C. Suter seconded, motion carried 5 AYES

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** N/A

**NEW BUSINESS:**

J. Biddle announced the \$25.00 Holiday Drawing Winners: Danny Byerly, Charles Lowe, Darla Carl, and Austin Eilert.

C. Eberle made the motion to fund the QR code project for the Ball of Twine form the Tourism Fund for the amount of \$350.00 J. Wise Seconded, motion carried, 5 AYES

J. Wise made the motion to approve the CMB License for Dollar General, C. Suter seconded, motion carried, 5 AYES

S. McMillan made the motion to approve the new procurement policy for a fire truck, C. Suter seconded, motioned carried, 5 AYES

J. Wise made the motion to approve up to \$1600.00 for the Fire Dept. to purchase a thermal scope, S. McMillan seconded, motion carried, 5 AYES

C. Eberle approved the addition of Michael McLaughlin to the Fire Dept. C. Suter seconded, 5 AYES

Discussion about Fire Department pay was tabled, no action taken at this time, doing research for what other cities are paying

J. Wise made the motion to approve the KWO and KDHE Administration fees, S. McMillan seconded, motion carried 5 AYES.

J. Wise made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm, S. McMillan seconded, motion carried, 5 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk:

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