

CITY OF CAWKER CITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
July 8, 2026 – 7:30 p.m.  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING-CAWKER CITY, KS

Mayor Doug Bader called the **PUBLIC HEARING for Grant closeout of Fire Truck**. Carol Torkelson from North Central Regional Planning was present and presented the closing documents to finish the grant process. The motion was made by J. Moyer to close the public hearing and have D. Bader; Mayor sign the documents. Motion was seconded by B. Schlaefli. 5 AYES- Motion Carried.

**ROLL CALL:** Teresa Cobb, Colleen Eberle, Carl Suter, Josh Moyer, Bill Schlaefli

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

Work Session-Sign off on bills:

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for June 10, 2026 motion was made by C. Suter for approval being seconded by J. Moyer. 5 AYES- Motion Carried

**Claims Ord. #1583** – Motion to approve claims ordinance 1583 made by C. Suter and seconded by C. Eberle. 5 AYES- Motion Carried.

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:**

- **Bill Wilson- Carport/shed:** The motion to approve the carport/shed was made by B. Schlaefli, C. Suter seconded, 5 AYES – Motion Carried.
- **Sam Bowles- Propane Tank Storage:** Council discussed the building permit and referenced the City Ordinance 1072 and tabled this building permit until the City has received written approval from the State Fire Marshall. Permit was not approved at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-**

**Dayla Nichols** was present and brought some concerns about surrounding properties and areas in the City. The first concern was the drainage issue created from the field just north of 9<sup>th</sup> St between Elm & Ash. With Heavy rains and the tall grasses, it collects water, which stinks, mosquitos, and flooding. The culverts are clear as C. Gullion went and looked into them, but the water has nowhere to go. The next problem area is at the stop sign on Elm and Wisconsin. The road corner is collapsing where the culvert is creating a big dip in the road, when you pull up to that stop sign, you are in the middle of the road leaving no room for incoming traffic turning onto Elm from the Highway. The City is looking into these concerns for a possible resolution.

**Bill Brummer** was present to ask about the road by his property that he had inquired about in February. There are potential property buyers and he is asking is the city would grade that road. He would like to see the trees cleared out and the original road restored. If the city is willing to make the effort, B. Brummer is willing to assist with and clearing out some of the trees. Mayor D. Bader along with Clerk J. Biddle will look into the budget and what the street looks like to get an idea if it can be done and what will be involved. Council did not make a decision about the grading at this time and Left it open for future discussion and information.

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**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** C. Martin brought and went over the 2 new ordinances listed below. # 1208 & 1209

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Had nothing to report on at this time.

**J. Biddle:** Discussed HAT (Housing Assessment Tool) research that would be in place for 5 years, C. Martin is looking deeper into it to see if in fact the city needs to complete these surveys, tables for next meeting.

**ORDINANCES:** 1208 Vacating Alleys of Block 46, 4<sup>th</sup> Ward & 1209 Vacating Streets of Cherry & Elm of the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward between 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Streets see unfinished business.

**FORMAL ACTIONS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Closing of streets & Alley's 4<sup>th</sup> ward- the ordinances 1208 vacation alleys, and 1209 vacating streets motion was made to approve by C. Suter and seconded by B. Schlaefli 5 AYES – motion carried. Ordinances sent to the local paper for publishing and will go the court house for final documentation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Pierce Fire Truck-** The old truck is ready to list for sale. Once the sale is complete the proceeds from the sale is to go towards the loan for one of the new fire trucks. The motion to apply the proceeds to the loan of the fire truck was made by B. Schlaefli and seconded by J. Moyer. 5 AYES- Motion Carried.
- 2) **Picnic Donation – 2026 Cawker City Picnic** is around the corner, a \$500 Donation has been made in the past. J. Moyer made the motion to approve this years donation in the amount of \$500 and it was seconded by C. Suter. 5 AYES- Motion Carried.
- 3) **Applications:** The Council discussed taking new applications at this time and made the decision that we are not currently hiring.
- 4) **J. Taylor Road concerns:** J. Taylor brought to the attention of the council some concerns about an area of road, ditch, and drainage concerns. The council discussed his concerns and tabled it for future discussion until they can speak to him in person for more details about the area of interest. No decision was made at this time.
- 5) **2027 Budget-** New budget was presented to the council, who had some questions in more depth for the budget writer. This was tabled for a special meeting to get more information. No decision was made at this time.

C. Suter made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM with C. Eberle making the seconded. 5 AYES- Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

Approved:

City Clerk

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