

## City of Chetopa – Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 3, 2026 • **Time:** 7:00 p.m. • **Location:** City Hall

**Presiding:** Mayor Bob Boyd

**Present:** Council Members-B. Koontz, E. Wulf, J. Nading, C. Bentley and J. Morgan

**Absent:** L. Seaman

**Also Present:** Clerk A. Wilkinson, Attorney S. Adamson, Treasurer K. Adams, Police Chief J. Wammack, Officer DeVaughn Amann, Water Treatment Plant (WTP), Supervisor Michael Tyler, Jason Morgan, Tammy Bushong, Debbie Yost, Barb Harris, Pauline Brecheisen, Travis Norris, and Tony Juarez. Corie Brown at 8:35 p.m.

### **1. Opening:**

- Meeting called to order by Mayor Boyd; Pledge of Allegiance and Nading led prayer.
- **Agenda** approved with additions. (Wulf/Morgan)
- **Minutes (January 20, 2026)** approved. (Koontz/Wulf)
- **Treasurer's Report** approved. (Koontz/Nading)
- **Warrant Register** approved. (Nading/Koontz)
- **Appropriation Ordinance #3748:**
  - Payroll: \$33,913.46
  - Other Funds: \$177,701.04
  - **Total: \$211,614.50**

### **2. Visitors & Public Comments:**

- **Travis Norris (Schulte Supply)** demonstrated Neptune Water Meter System features.
  - Discussed Neptune Pilot Program details with council.
- **Tammy Bushong (representing Bellmore Apartments)** requested a PD incident report.
  - PD Chief Wammack stated report was provided to insurance company earlier.
  - Requested January 6, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes be posted to city website.

### **3. Department Updates:**

- **WTP Supervisor (M. Tyler):** reported new computer has been installed and operational.

### **4. Council Discussion:**

- **Koontz:** voiced citizen concern over PD presence in Maple Street School Zone.
- **Morgan:** requested repainting lines on basketball court at Mark Carter Skate Park.
  - Wulf will have recreation committee address issue.

### **5. Mayor's Report:**

- Received committee preferences forms from five of the six council members.
- K9 Update: referenced prior motion authorizing Mayor to evaluate 2020 K9 vehicle.

- Motion made to amend the prior motion and approve the \$9,500.00 purchase of a 2016 Ford Explorer from Baxter Springs PD. (Nading/Wulf) (Koontz opposed)

## 6. Old Business:

- **Willow Street Lift Station Generator Repair: (Bentley)**-wrap exhaust pipe insulation.
- **Russell Creek Engineering, LLC: (Bentley)**-install second electric pole for platform.
- **Officer Eichler Restitution: (Adamson)**-petition to be served by Sheriff's Department.
- **312/314 Maple Street:** A second counteroffer in the amount of \$32,500.00 was considered.
  - Motion to accept counteroffer and authorize Mayor sign contract. (Wulf/Nading)
- **New Library Building at Chesnutt Park:** going out for building bids was discussed.
  - Motion to allocate net proceeds from sale toward new building. (Koontz/Morgan)

## 7. New Business:

- **GAAP Waiver:** Resolution 2026-1 to waive General Accepted Accounting Principles for the 2025 audit was presented.
  - Motion to adopt the GAAP Waiver Resolution. (Koontz/Nading)
- **Utility Billing Discussion:** Ordinance 15-103 regarding late payments was addressed.
  - Motion by Wulf to amend the ordinance concerning non-payment of utility bills.
  - Koontz noted services may need to be disconnected/payment agreement made.
  - Wulf stated K. Adams is doing an excellent job collecting payments.
  - Motion failed due to lack of a second.
- **Building Permit Approvals:**
  - Motion to approve Synder BP-130 Locust St. (Wulf/Koontz) (Nading abstained)

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motion to adjourn at 8:48 p.m. (Koontz/Morgan)

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Mayor

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Clerk