

City of Chetopa – Council Meeting Minutes

Date: June 2, 2026 • **Time:** 7:00 p.m. • **Location:** City Hall

Presiding: Mayor Bob Boyd

Present: Council Members- B. Koontz, J. Nading, J. Morgan, L. Seaman, E. Wulf & C. Bentley

Also Present: Clerk A. Wilkinson, Attorney S. Adamson, Officer Gracie Mann, Utility Billing Clerk/City Treasurer Krystal Adams, City Supervisor Rogan Bruce and Lee Bushong.

1. Opening:

- Meeting called to order by Mayor Boyd; Pledge of Allegiance & Nading led prayer.
- **Agenda:** Motion to approve with addition. (Wulf/Nading; motion carried)
- **Minutes (May 19, 2026):** Motion to approve. (Koontz/Wulf; motion carried)
- **Treasurer's Report:** Motion to approve. (Wulf/Seaman; motion carried)
- **Warrant Register:** Motion to approve. (Wulf/Morgan; motion carried)
- **Appropriation Ordinance #3756:**
 - Payroll: \$ 39,453.26
 - Other Funds: \$ 35,395.72
 - **Total:** **\$74,848.98**

2. Department Updates:

- **City Supervisor (R. Bruce):** Requested Public Works Dept. transition to summer hours.
 - Motion to approve 7:00-3:30, effective June 8th. (Nading/Wulf; motion carried)
 - Sanitation truck needs new front tires, Bartlett Coop quote \$760 mount/balance.
 - Motion to approve tire purchase. (Wulf/Nading; motion carried)
 - Provided update regarding needed repairs to New Holland front loader.
- **Utility Billing Clerk/City Treasurer (K. Adams):** Requested authorization to check into the CBK collection agency for overdue utility accounts.
 - Motion to authorize Adams to check into agency. (Wulf/Koontz; motion carried)

3. Council Discussion:

- **Koontz:** Asked how long Atmos Energy contractors expected to remain in town.
 - Mayor explained City has no affiliation with Atmos Energy Gas Company contractors and any complaints should be redirected to 1-888-286-6700.
- **Seaman:** Inquired about dilapidated property located at 201 11th Street.
 - City will send property owner an Ordinance nuisance letter.
- **Nading:** Reported Fire Department received 3 new sets of bunker gear via grant funding.
 - Questioned the status of brush piles stuck on bridge pylons.
 - Mayor stated Kansas Secretary of Transportation has been contacted.

4. Mayor's Report:

- Read statement from Chief Wammack regarding Police Department softball tournament scheduled for June 20th to raise funds for police equipment.

- Announced K9 Negan and Chief have successfully completed training,
- Mayor thanked PD staff for covering shifts during this period.
 - 1st St. between Maple and Locust will be closed off for June 12th Bikers Across Kansas event.

5. Old Business:

- **Willow Street Lift Station Generator Repair (Bentley):** Custom pipe needs picked up.
- **Maple Street Lights/Pole Painting/ 250th Semiquincentennial:** Morgan stated that her conversation with project coordinator revealed no volunteers are currently available to paint.
 - Bentley offered to use his scissor lift for the project.
 - Wulf encouraged volunteers to meet Saturday, June 13th, to paint.
- **N. 9th Street Property:** Discussion regarding removal of barbed wire fencing restriction.
 - Motion to amend Chapter 2, Section 2-113(e), to allow barbed wire cattle fencing on properties of 2 or more acres within city limits. (Nading/Wulf; motion carried)
- **Library Building Discussion:** Mayor reported contract signed & medallion stamp obtained.
 - Library Board was directed to begin liquidating its assets for building purchase.
- **Electrical Storage Roof Inspection (Nading):** Sealed bids are being advertised and will be accepted until close of business on June 15th.

6. New Business:

- **4th of July Special Event Insurance Quote:** Insurance Quote for \$696.44 was presented.
 - Motion to approve. (Koontz/Wulf; motion carried)
- **Skid Steer Tires Quote:**
 - Bruce requested purchase of solid skid steer tires for \$3,715.00, delivered.
 - Motion to purchase using Spec City/County Highway Fund. (Nading/Wulf; motion carried)
- **Fire Dept. Alumni Banquet CMB Application:** Application presented for the banquet scheduled on June 27th, 2026.
 - Motion to approve. (Koontz/Wulf; motion carried) (Nading abstained)

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. (Seaman/Koontz; motion carried)

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Mayor

Clerk

