

CITY OF OSAGE CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
July 8, 2025

ROLL CALL: Now on this 8th day of July, 2025, the Governing Body of the City of Osage City, Kansas, met at the Osage City Council Chamber in said City. The following members being present and participating to wit: Mayor: Brian Stromgren. Council Members: Shirley Bausman, Mike Gilliland, Mike Handly, Cathryn Houghton, Susan Smith, Jeanette Swarts and Jeff Tice. Absent: Kathy Ayers. City Staff present: Sadie Boos, City Treasurer; Rick Godderz, City Attorney; Katie Hodge, City Manager, Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director; Amy Woodward, City Clerk. Others Present: Normal Edwards, Robert Edwards, Carrie Potter, Timothy A. Potter, Selina Jones, Pat Berner.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion by Swarts, second by Tice to approve the amended agenda. The motion was declared carried (7-0).

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: None

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of June 24th, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Handly, second by Bausman to approve the consent agenda. The motion was declared carried (7-0).

BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

1. **Approval of Resolution No. 1139 Nuisance Abatement for 519 N. 4th Street (Action Required) – Katie Hodge, City Manager**

519 N. 4th Street property owner, Pat Berner, addressed Council regarding his property clean-up status.

Neighbor to the property owner, Selina Jones, addressed Council, sharing her dissatisfaction with progress made on property clean-up efforts.

City Attorney, Rick Godderz shared the process for Abatement and noted that the city is in line with City Ordinance in this matter.

Motion made by Houghton, second by Gilliland to approve Resolution No. 1139 finding that a nuisance exists at 519 N. 4th Street, described as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, and 35 in Block 10, Danford's Addition to the City of Osage City and give the property owner (10) days from the date of service of this Resolution to abate the nuisance conditions. The motion was declared carried (7-0).

2. Approval of Ordinance No. 1703 repealing Ordinance No. 1387 to re-establish the East 90ft. of Schenk Street and 60ft North-South (30 ft from the center of the street North and 30 ft from the center of the street South (Action Required) – Katie Hodge, City Manager

Carrie Potter, Property owner who lives along the proposed street re-establishment, spoke to Council, sharing her concern that the easement of 30 feet to the North will be far into their property.

Council discussed further, noting some confusion of where the utilities are located along the road.

Motion made by Houghton, second by Smith to table this item until a future meeting. The motion was declared carried (6-0) with Tice recusing himself due to a conflict of interest.

3. Airport Projects Update (Discussion) – Katie Hodge, City Manager

City Manager, Katie Hodge reviewed two items regarding the Airport with Council. The first being the lighting, apron, and runway rehab project. This project is planned to be solely funded by grant money from the FAA and the State of Kansas. The second being the New Airport. This project is expected to be a 90/10 split between the FAA and the City of Osage City. We have been slowly collecting the City's 10% in the Airport Fund. At the end of this year, we believe we will have our 10% collected so we are ready for the project. Fall 2026 we expect grading of the site to begin.

4. Moderate Income Housing Project (Action Required) – Katie Hodge, City Manager.

City Manager, Katie Hodge reviewed with Council, Joseph Thomas has proposed a plan to change one property being built on Prospect St., previously designated as a rental, to a home available for purchase. To keep the ratio of units being built for rental vs. for purchase, a home being built in the Huffman edition would now need to be built for rental. Council requested Joseph Thomas consult with the State and report back to Council at the next meeting to determine if this change is allowed per the MIH Grant.

ADJOURNMENT: *At the request of Council Member Bausman and on her motion, seconded by Council Member Tice and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned.*

APPROVED: *Brian D. Stromgren*
Brian D. Stromgren, Mayor

ATTESTED: *Amy Woodward*
Amy Woodward, City Clerk

