

CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 5:30 PM — Commission Room, City Hall — 118 W. Central Ave

Routine Business

1. Roll Call

PRESENT:

Commissioner Diana Spielman Commissioner Charles Tweedy III Commissioner Jay Warren Commissioner Tad Stover Mayor Chad Beeson

City staff present: City Manager Randy Frazer, City Clerk Tiffany Parsons, Communication Director Shana Adkisson, and IT Manager Matt Metzinger.

- 2. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance led by commissioner Warren.
- 3. Addition or deletions to the agenda.

City Manager Frazer stated that there were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Spielman, Seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III to approve the consent agenda as written.

Voice Voting Aye: Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Tweedy III, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor Beeson. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved.

Consent Agenda

- A Resolution authorizing a public meeting of the Governing Body to attend a Land Bank Board of Trustees meeting at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, 2025, in the Commission Room at City Hall, located at 118 W. Central Avenue in Arkansas City.
- 2. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to allocate Unpledged Healthcare Sales Tax Funds in the amount of \$28,685.64 to SCK Health for uncompensated care provided to the community, consistent with Ordinance No. 2019-02-4481 and the City's intent to annually appropriate available revenues for health care purposes.
- 3. Approve the March 28, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes, and April 1, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.

Motion made by Commissioner Stover, Seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III to approve the consent agenda as written.

Voice Voting Aye: Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Tweedy III, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor Beeson. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2025-04-3699** and **Resolution No. 2025-04-3700**.

New Business

City Manager Department

1. Officially announce and unveil the newly designed logo for the City of Arkansas City, reflecting its dynamic growth, natural environment, and future aspirations.

Communication Director Shana Adkisson proudly unveiled the city's new logo design that she created. A project that began with a public survey in March 2024, with positive support for a new updated design and feedback that leaned towards incorporating water and the city's history. The entrance signs also persuaded the new city logo design, explained by Adkisson, which should be fulling installed soon.

The colors in the design represent both the natural landscape and the city's rich history. "River's Blue" reflects the Arkansas and Walnut Rivers, depicted in the swoosh beneath the city name. "Riverstone Red" symbolizes the city's iconic brick streets and also honors the historic significance of Etzanoa.

Two main fonts are Georgia and Arial to give all emails and correspondence a more professional and unform look. It will take the city some time to transition into the new logo design. Over the next year, the logo will gradually be introduced on city vehicles, employee uniforms and incorporate onto office materials.

City Commissioners commemorated the new logo unveiling by sporting new hats displaying the logo.

2. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to enter an agreement with Tyler Technologies, to provide cloud hosted software services and time clock hardware on an annual basis, with the first-year amount not to exceed \$49,516.00.

Matt Metzinger, IT Manager, gave a presentation on a topic related to the recently implemented Tyler Technologies integrated cloud software. This addition to the city's software system is expected to streamline and modernize timekeeping processes by improving efficiency, reducing keystrokes, and eliminating the need for manual data entry in payroll processing. This request includes five computerized time clocks, hardware, plus power supply.

Motion made by Commissioner Warren, Seconded by Commissioner Stover to approve the item as written.

Voice Voting Aye: Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Tweedy III, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor Beeson. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2025-04-3701**.

3. An Ordinance authorizing the execution of a loan agreement between the City of Arkansas City, Kansas and the State of Kansas, acting by and through the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for the purpose of obtaining a loan from the Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund for the purpose of financing a Public Water Supply Project; establishing a dedicated source of revenue for repayment of such loan; authorizing and approving certain documents in connection therewith; and authorizing certain other actions in connection with the loan agreement.

City Manager Frazer spoke that this grant processed as a water supply loan, through an emergent containment program to treat manganese in the water. The \$2 million dollar loan does have 100% principal forgiveness; however minimal interest will apply.

Motion made by Mayor Beeson, seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III to approve the item as written.

Roll Call Voting Aye: Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Tweedy III, Commissioner Warren and Mayor Beeson. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved; given **Ordinance No. 2025-04-4635**.

City Manager Updates & Reminders

City Manager Frazer provided the following reminders and updates before the commission.

- 1. Emergency Repair AC Compressor needs replaced in the WTP electrical room, \$11,850.00 plus shipping.
- 2. Friday, April 18th Funeral for Chad Gleason, 2 PM at the Shelly Funeral Home 906 W Kansas. Reception Dinner will be held at the Northwest Community Center follow for all employees, friends, and family.
- 3. Thursday, April 17th Community Impact meeting 11:30 AM SCK Health Conference Room.
- 4. Monday, April 21st second 13 Ways to Kill Your Community webinar session.
- Monday, April 21st at 6:30 PM is the Outstanding Student Banquet dinner in the Cowley College Brown Center Wright Room, where finalists are revealed.
- 6. Thursday, May 1st Pre-con meeting for Hike Bike Trial construction to begin mid-May.

- 7. May 28th 5:30 6:30 PM Chamber of Commerce Biannual Meeting Pikes Place Meeting Room.
- 8. CDBG for Wilson Park, the pre-application process was submitted, and we have been invited to apply.
- 9. USD 470 granted the utility easement and construction easement last night for travel center sewer line.
- 10. LKM Annual Conference is Oct. 9-11th in Overland Park
- 11. Copy of the County Wide Housing Study handed out to commissioners.
- 12. East Pressure Zone loan pre-application has been submitted, survey field work is completed, processing the data now and working on legal description for the property.
- 13. Commissioner Warren and City Manager Frazer recently attended the City Leaders Academy last weekend. Key takeaways and training included:
 - ADA accommodations
 - Building effective city/county relationships
 - Generational synergy enhancing workplace collaboration across the ages
 - How to communicate with your legislator
 - Understanding legislation and local implantation
- 14. March 2025 Financial Summary located in back of packet

Items for Discussion by City Commissioners

New colorful "Greeting from Arkansas City Kansas" mural noticed by all in attendance was discussed, located at corner of Summit St. & Chestnut Ave. This was a community collaboration project, designed by local artists Mark Dykes and Mark Flickinger, then painted by students from the Arkansas City High School Art Club and Cowley Art Club. VJ Wilkins Foundation provided contributions through a grant, with the support of the Chamber of Commerce and other local businesses. Dykes and Flickinger are working to complete the installation.

Commissioner Tweedy reminded everyone that Chamber Coffee this Thursday at the SCK Health Center combined with a joint ribbon cutting for their new Occupational Health center. Also, a good opportunity to meet and hear from new CEO, Margaret Grismer.

Comments from the Audience for Items not on the Agenda

The public will be allowed to speak on issues or items that are not scheduled for discussion on the agenda. Individuals should address all comments and questions to the Commission. Comments should be limited to issues and items relevant to the business of the Governing Body. The Commission will not discuss or debate these items, nor will the Commission make decisions on items presented during this time. Each person will be limited to five (5) minutes.

No one wished to speak.

Financial Summary

March 2025 Financial Summary update provided in the packet.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Motion made by Commissioner Stover, Seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved and meeting adjourned.

THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY

	BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS
(Seal)	
	Chad D. Beeson, Mayor

ATTEST:	
Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk	
Prepared by:	
Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk	

