

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL
Lindsborg City Hall
July 06, 2026–6:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Clark Shultz, Larry Lysell, Ericka Lysell, Andrew Smith, Lysa Palmer-Augusta, Tyler Johnson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kirsten Bruce, Joshua Swanson, Rebecca Van Der Wege,

OTHERS PRESENT: Tanner Faust, David Hay, Holly Lofton, Denny Walker, Noah Flores, Chief Terry Reed, Scott Bontz, Suzanna Swenson, Cathy Fitzgerald

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Clark Shultz, followed by the pledge of allegiance. The invocation was provided by Pastor Cathy Fitzgerald from Trinity United Methodist Church.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There was no public input.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

There were no amendments to the agenda.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Shultz commented about the great turnout for the Old Fashioned Fourth of July and the many compliments he received on the city's efforts to clean up the community. Mayor Shultz then thanked Molly Johnson for her commitment to coordinating the event.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Andrew Smith moved to approve the minutes from June 15, 2026, regular Council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5596, Purchase Order Ordinance 5597 and a Collection Bureau of Kansas Municipal Agreement for State of Kansas Setoff Program. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Lysa Palmer-Augusta and passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

APPOINTMENTS:

There were no appointments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee or staff reports.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lindsborg Community Library Presentation

Suzanna Swenson, Director of the Lindsborg Community Library, presented information on the library's proposed 2027 budget. She discussed library circulation, programming, technology access, recent facility improvements, as well as the value of services provided to residents and visitors. Swenson also reviewed the library's projected revenues and expenditures for 2027 and requested an additional \$15,000 in property tax support to address rising operating costs, staffing needs, and reduced grant funding. This was an informational presentation only, and no action was taken by the Council.

Southwest Power Pool Termination Letter

City Administrator Tanner Faust informed the Council that KMEA has requested the City be removed as an individual transmission customer of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP), as KMEA now serves as the transmission customer on the City's behalf and the direct relationship with SPP is no longer necessary. The proposed termination letter represents the first step in the offboarding process, with additional documentation potentially coming before the Council in the future. KMEA staff reviewed the letter and supported moving forward with the termination request.

Councilmember Andrew Smith moved to authorize the City Administrator to sign the transmission customer status termination letter with the Southwest Power Pool. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lysa Palmer-Augusta and passed 5-0 by a voice vote.

Abatement Mowing Services Bids

Community Development Director Milton Collins reported that, following Council direction to rebid abatement mowing services, the City received bids from Brian Flax Mowing of Lindsborg at \$125 per hour and Champion Property Services of Salina at \$95 per hour. Staff explained that abatement mowing services are used when property owners fail to comply with nuisance and mowing ordinances and are necessary to maintain public health, safety, and neighborhood appearance standards. In evaluating the bids, staff considered travel time for the Salina-based contractor and the City's local bidder preference.

Councilmember Andrew Smith moved to award the bid to Brian Flax mowing at an hourly rate of \$125 per hour with the contingency to use Champion Property Services as a backup if the first contractor is unable to perform. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Larry Lysell and passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Andrew Smith moved for adjournment, seconded by Councilmember Ericka Lysell, and passed 6-0 by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tanner Faust
City Administrator