

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 2, 2026

CITY OF MELVERN

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING was called to order at 7:00PM. Council Members Dan Bowers, Derek Haines and Katina Brown were present. Frank Warner was absent. Mayor Eric Vogeler was also present. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Tamara Massey (City Clerk), Evan Godderz (City Attorney), Gary Kitt (City Maint.) Kim Speer and Public.

*Kim Speer was sworn in as a Council Member in place of Jerry Beeman.

MINUTES: Bowers made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 2026 meeting and the January 14th Special Meeting seconded by Brown, Motion carried 4-0.

TREASURER REPORT: Haines made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, Seconded by Bowers, Motion carried 4-0

PAID BILLS: Haines made a motion to approve the Paid Bills and approve payment of the Unpaid Bills, Seconded by Brown. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

ATTORNEYS REPORT-Discussed court docket and a loose dog case.

MAYOR'S REPORT-

Mayor will be updating the Melvern Beautification Ordinance Violations this weekend after snow melts. A bid for \$6,100 was given for putting metal siding on the park concession stand, no action was taken. Dump truck needs to be sold. Discussed sealed bids. Tabled for now.

EMPLOYEE REPORTS –

GARY KITT –

LanTel paid to have rock put on the road around the city shop since they have been using that area to store their equipment while working in and around Melvern.

KRWA came to talk about the Lead and Copper rules for the city.

Picked up the snowplow blade for the truck and the replacement chain saw.

Called out on loose dogs and served tickets for loose dogs.

Reviewed a bid from Vance Brothers on chip/seal for roads, Council discussed getting other bids. Gary will call around to get other bids.

KRWA Conference in March to renew Sewer Certification. Haines made a motion to approve the KRWA conference fees, motel, mileage and per diem for Gary Kitt to attend March 24th-26th, Seconded by Brown. Carried 4-0.

TAMARA MASSEY –

Sheriff reports from December 2025.

Discussed CCMOFA class for City Clerks March 11-13. Bowers made a motion to approve the City Clerk class fees, mileage, motel, mileage and per diem costs, Seconded by Brown. Carried 4-0.

2025 Audit is scheduled for April 30, 2026.

June 1st has been scheduled for Peroo, CPA to come discuss the audit and budget with Council.

Beyond Beauty is a new business in town and a ribbon cutting was discussed.

Reviewed Osage Co Emergency Director's email about identifying areas that could be used for Red Cross emergencies.

USD#456 Booster Club request for an After-Prom donation. Speer made a motion to give \$100 for this event, Seconded by Haines. Carried 4-0.

The color printer in the clerks office was acting up, may need another printer in the future. Council suggested getting bids to review and check to see if it was needing updates.

COUNCIL REPORTS WERE HEARD

Derek Haines – Discussed HB 2302 Grant for water line projects. D.J. Manning had requested some of the millings at the shop for a project. Council agreed that it was fine and for Derek to work that out with him.

Dan Bowers – Let the council know that he had resigned from the Fair Board as president but that he would still volunteer to help with the fairs.

NEW BUSINESS –

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- Contract Update with Kwi-Kom Fiber

BOWERS MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY HAINES, MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

ATTEST:

Tamara Massey, City Clerk