

Minutes
KEOTA CITY COUNCIL
225 E. BROADWAY AVE.

July 7th, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Mayor Cansler

Roll call: Council members Bender, Conrad, Tinnes, Greiner, and McDonald were present. City employees present were PW Director Harmsen, Assistant Clerk Clarke, and Librarian Greiner. Public present were Casey Jarmes from Sigourney News-Review, Dorothy Kerr, Maegen Ashens-Reid, Karen Sypherd, Phyllis Wright, Ryan Sieren, Janie Westendorf, Vicki Fagen, Tom Hahn, Linda Werger, Connie Baker, and Chad Greiner.

Consent Agenda: Motion to amend Consent Agenda to exclude Ava Greiner, Marlee Greiner, Mia Conrad, and Reese Conrad from payroll to be voted on separately made by Conrad, 2nd by Bender. Tinnes, Greiner, and McDonald in favor. Motion to approve amended Consent Agenda, previous meeting minutes from June 17th Council Meeting – budget review and payment of bills made by Conrad, 2nd by Bender. Tinnes, Greiner, and McDonald in favor.

Bills Paid June 3rd – June 17th, 2025

Adam Clark	6/26/2025	\$599.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	6/26/2025	\$3,209.23
Dakota Supply Group	6/26/2025	\$669.00
Dubuque Mulch Co	6/26/2025	\$2,250.00
GFC LEASING - WI	6/26/2025	\$203.64
H & M FARM & HOME SUPPLY	6/26/2025	\$400.87
MCKIM TRACTOR SERVICE LLC	6/26/2025	\$96.71
MENARDS	6/26/2025	\$19.96
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING COR	6/26/2025	\$542.59
SINCLAIR TRACTOR - SIGOURN	6/26/2025	\$34.99
TOWN & COUNTRY WHOLESALE	6/26/2025	\$562.06
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED	6/26/2025	\$712.43
WELLMARK	6/26/2025	\$4,054.14
WINDSTREAM	6/26/2025	\$0.21
YOTTYS INC	6/26/2025	\$60.00
Total Checks		\$13,414.83

ALLIANT ENERGY	7/7/2025	\$7,933.09
BADGER METER	7/7/2025	\$60.00
CARRICO AQUATIC RESOURCE	7/7/2025	\$1,282.90
COX SANITATION & RECYCLING	7/7/2025	\$5,253.00
FARMERS CO-OP ASSN	7/7/2025	\$1,282.66
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA	7/7/2025	\$865.62
H & M FARM & HOME SUPPLY	7/7/2025	\$242.65
ION ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIO	7/7/2025	\$3,814.20
L.L. PELLING CO.	7/7/2025	\$59,245.25
LYLE INSURANCE AGENCY	7/7/2025	\$5,310.00
SCOTT WESTENDORF	7/7/2025	\$4,000.00
SINCLAIR TRACTOR	7/7/2025	\$71.67
STATE HYGIENIC LAB	7/7/2025	\$14.50
TREMMEL BACKHOE SERVICE	7/7/2025	\$4,972.00
US FIRST	7/7/2025	\$1,396.61
VISION AG	7/7/2025	\$269.60
VITTETOE, INC	7/7/2025	\$5.59
YOTTYS INC	7/7/2025	\$400.00
Total Checks		\$96,419.34

ALL AMERICAN PEST CONTROL	6/26/2025	\$35.00
CASH	6/26/2025	\$100.00
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	6/26/2025	\$320.58
COMPANION CORPORATION	6/26/2025	\$1,648.00
COUNTY LINE MART. LLC	6/26/2025	\$50.00
FIDDLE DEE DEE	6/26/2025	\$50.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA	6/26/2025	\$314.59
INFOMAX OFFICE SYSTEMS INC	6/26/2025	\$143.38
KEOKUK COUNTY ENDOWMENT	6/26/2025	\$1,584.00
KEOTA EAGLE FOODS	6/26/2025	\$403.96
Kristen Clarke	6/26/2025	\$22.46
PRAIRIE FLOWER BAKERY	6/26/2025	\$50.00
QUILL CORPORATION	6/26/2025	\$768.68
TONI GREINER	6/26/2025	\$73.16
WINDSTREAM	6/26/2025	\$39.24
Total Checks		\$5,603.05

BRETT ROMOSER	6/30/2025	\$6,403.61
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Alycia Horras	7/7/2025	487.50
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Payroll

Aller, Jessalyn J	96.04
ALTENHOFEN, CHERYL	43.02
Chalupa, Elizabeth M	430.18
Clarke, Kristen	1,070.88
Conger, Emily R	48.03
Conrad, Mia A	121.91
Conrad, Reese R.	60.95
Dalton, Lamaya	87.27
Detweiler, Lexus	35.33
Dodd, Drew L	31.40
Galindo, Allie M	38.79
Galindo, Aubrey	407.53
Gearhart, Brylee R.	536.62
Gearhart, Ty J	136.67
Grandstaff, Hunter A	103.44
GREINER, ASHLEY	120.48
Greiner, Ava K.	637.71
Greiner, Bridget M.	184.60
Greiner, Emma E	99.73
Greiner, Jack L	674.70
Greiner, Marlee F.	135.06
GREINER, TONIA	1,299.85
HARMSEN, MICAH	1,811.66
Heisdorffer, Halle A	38.79
Horras, Alycia A	365.76
Libe, Jacob A	359.36
Lyle, Elyse M.	333.42
Lyle, Olivia S.	236.42
Peterson, Maddox J	146.61
Purkeypille, Addison G.	198.09
Redlinger, Jaylah M.	395.80
Sieren, Gavin	302.96
SLAUBAUGH, KEVIN L.	1,818.45
Sprouse, Tucker B.	523.86
Swanson, Alaina	121.91
Werger, Linda E	110.82
Avalyn Wulff	\$66.00

Public Forum: Numerous citizens shared their disappointment in learning that the pool is set to close August 8th. It was shared that neighboring pools are staying open longer. Council members Conrad and Greiner shared the dates that we are working with as our assistant managers will be leaving for college. Some of the requests or suggestions from concerned citizens included exploring options to find another manager for a short time, having weekend availability after August 8th, and checking with surrounding pools to see if any guards are interested in picking up extra shifts. Mayor Cansler stated that there is no question about the amount of work that went into getting the pool up and running. He appreciated the concerns that were shared and asked that we give the pool board some time to come up with a solution. Ryan Sieren stated that there are several areas in town with limbs hanging low over streets after the wind storm over the weekend. Those will need to be trimmed to allow for firetrucks to pass through.

Department Reports:

Public Works – PW Director Micah Harmsen stated that everything at the pool has been running well. The staff down there has done an excellent job to this point. Most of the dirt work has been finalized at the campground and the grass seeding will be done once it dries out. Alliant still needs to run their service. They have been working on trimming trees and have contacted Trent Greiner to take down some trees to eliminate any more damage to power lines or structures. They have been busy spraying, weed eating, and mowing. Jack was able to get a new coat of paint on the shelter at Wilson Park last week. Micah will be gone July 14th, 16th, and 18th due to County Fair obligations. Micah has talked it over with both Kevin and Council member Conrad about paying comp time down to a reasonable amount. He will work with the clerk to get that together for the next meeting in July.

Library – Librarian Greiner shared that they had a Science Heroes program two weeks ago that went really well. Bridget did a baseball escape room for the kids as part of the Summer Reading Program and had a full house. She will be doing another escape room during the Super Hero party on Saturday, July 26th at 10:00. The SRP is over, but kids can still keep track of their reading minutes and get them turned in through the end of July. There are still several prizes left for the Book Bingo.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

Resolution 2025-46 Approval of Cemetery Plot for Linda Heisdorffer. Motion to approve made by Bender, 2nd by Greiner. Conrad, Tinnes, and McDonald in favor.

Resolution 2025-47 Approval of Cemetery Plot for Eugene Heisdorffer. Motion to approve made by Bender, 2nd by Greiner. Conrad, Tinnes, and McDonald in favor.

Resolution 2025-48 Approval of Pay Increase for Officers and Mayor. After discussing this at length, the Mayor suggested coming back to it in two weeks at the next Council meeting. A motion to table this until the next meeting was made by Conrad, 2nd by Bender. Tinnes, Greiner, and McDonald were in favor.

New Business

Discussion/Possible Approval – A motion to approve payroll for Reese and Mia Conrad was made by Greiner, 2nd by McDonald. Bender and Tinnes in favor. Conrad abstained.

Discussion/Possible Approval – A motion to approve payroll for Ava and Marlee Greiner was made by Conrad, 2nd by Bender, Tinnes and McDonald in favor. Greiner abstained.

Discussion/Possible Action – IFA Length of Service Award Program. Ryan Sieren shared some details on LOSAP. It is essentially a program to recognize and reward volunteer firefighters & EMS personnel as kind of a retirement fund. The state will match what the department puts in up to a certain dollar amount based on the fire department's budget. After much discussion, it was determined that the department was not asking the city for money this year. Rather, they are going to cover it this year and are asking the city to consider contributing in years to come. Motion to donate to LOSAP next year made by Conrad, 2nd by Greiner. Bender, Tinnes, and McDonald in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action – Approval of Campground Rules and Regulations. Council member Conrad asked for clarification on fees for the campground. Harmsen stated that we needed to get rules in place to be able to order signage, though we will need to discuss fees at some point. Motion to approve campground rules and regulations made by Conrad, 2nd by Bender. Tinnes, Greiner, and McDonald in favor.

Mayor Comments: Mayor Cansler stated that it has been a hectic couple of weeks. He thanked Micah and Kevin for all of the hard work they've been doing and thanked Kristen for the additional hours she has put in. Thanks to all citizens, council members, and city employees.

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn meeting by Conrad, 2nd by McDonald. Bender, Tinnes, and Greiner in favor. Time: 8:47 pm.

Next regular meeting, July 21st, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Attest:

Mayor Anthony Cansler

Assistant City Clerk, Kristen Clarke