

OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS
February 10, 2026

A Regular Session of the Board of Commissioners was held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, in the City Commission Room, located in the Law Enforcement Center, 201 North Pine, with Mayor Chuck Munsell presiding and the following members present: Cheryl Brooks, Stu Hite, D.J. Perry, and Ron Seglie.

FLAG SALUTE - Mayor Munsell led the flag salute.

INVOCATION – Major Brenda Pittman, on behalf of the Salvation Army, provided an invocation.

PUBLIC INPUT –

GENERAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION – SEK-CAP, INC. – Jamey Whitney, Chief Executive Officer of SEK-CAP, Inc. clarified the recent news regarding the General Public Transportation services provided by SEK-CAP, and the funding received by SEK-CAP to operate the services.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - Jamie Lynn Blum, 1901 Carnie Smith Court, spoke in support of public transportation in Pittsburg.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION – Isaiah Harris, 411 East Adams, spoke in support of public transportation in Pittsburg and urged the Governing Body members to use their voices to support the transportation services provided by SEK-CAP.

SOCCER FACILITIES – Kyle Bockover, 514 East Centennial, spoke in favor of public soccer fields in Pittsburg.

COMMUNITY PRIDE - Ralph McGeorge, 2301 North Rouse, asked if the Governing Body had considered his request to have the Pittsburg purple dragon logo and the Colgan panther logo painted on the north water tower. He also requested that a printed copy of the City's Salary Ordinance be mailed to all citizens.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - Elizabeth Peters, 1807 South Locust, spoke in support of public transportation in Pittsburg.

BUDGET - John Lair, 1608 North Joplin, praised the Governing Body for solving the budget issues that recently surfaced. He also requested that the City Manager's spending authority be reduced, with purchases over \$5,000 requiring Governing Body approval.

BUDGET - Kristi Bitner, 1508 Bitner Court, stated that the proposed 2027 Budget calendar is encouraging. She asked if City staff had answers to her budget-related questions. City Manager Daron Hall and Director of Finance Missy Scott provided information regarding the process used to prepare the budget and answered Ms. Bitner's questions.

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2026 BUDGET - John Lair, 1608 North Joplin, praised Kristi Bitner for her diligence in reviewing the budget.

ANIMAL CONTROL - Larry Williams, Jr., 103 West Forest, spoke regarding a dog disturbing the peace in his neighborhood. Mayor Munsell asked City Manager Hall to assist Mr. Williams in resolving the matter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On motion of Perry, seconded by Hite, the Governing Body approved the January 22nd, 2026, Special City Commission Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On motion of Perry, seconded by Hite, the Governing Body approved the January 27th, 2026, City Commission Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE – On motion of Perry, seconded by Hite, the Governing Body approved the Appropriation Ordinance for the period ending February 10th, 2026, subject to the release of HUD expenditures when funds are received with the following roll call vote: Yea: Brooks, Hite, Munsell, Perry and Seglie. Motion carried.

CHANGE OF ZONING – GELLENDER – 2724 NORTH JOPLIN – On motion of Hite, seconded by Perry, the Governing Body approved the recommendation of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to grant the request submitted by Tad Gallender to change the zoning of 2724 North Joplin from CP-O: Planned Commercial Office to R-1C: Single Family Residential to allow the construction of single-family homes, and directed staff to prepare the necessary Ordinance. Motion carried.

VARIANCE REQUEST – CHRISTIAN CONSTRUCTION – 1724 SILVERBACK WAY – On motion of Hite, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body approved the recommendation of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to grant the request submitted by Christian Construction for a set-back variance at 1724 Silverback Way to allow the construction of a single-family home. Motion carried.

VARIANCE REQUEST – Mellies – 502 EAST PARK – On motion of Seglie, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body approved the recommendation of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to grant the request submitted by Dustin Mellies for a set-back variance at 502 East Park to allow the construction of a new, single-family home. Motion carried.

VARIANCE REQUEST – Mellies – 00000 EAST 22nd STREET – On motion of Hite, seconded by Perry, the Governing Body approved the recommendation of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to grant the request submitted by Dustin Mellies for a variance at 00000 East 22nd Street, located in the 400 Block of East 22nd Street, to allow front-yard parking. Motion carried.

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FLOCK SAFETY – CONTRACT CONSOLIDATION AND RENEWAL – On motion of Hite, seconded by Perry, the Governing Body approved staff request to renew the original contract with Flock Safety for Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) technology and to consolidate the existing Flock Safety agreement into a single contract with one billing cycle for a new two-year term at the rate of \$15,027.12 for the first year (after a credit of \$88,472.88), and the rate of \$103,500.00 for the second year, and authorized the Mayor to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the City. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1299 – On motion of Munsell, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body approved Resolution No. 1299, authorizing the City to enter into a Lease/Purchase Agreement with Clayton Holdings, LLC, for the implementation of a replacement data center/disaster recovery environment/backup solution and switching improvements, in the amount of \$1,139,903.65 (approved by the Governing Body on December 17th, 2025), and authorized the Mayor to sign the Resolution on behalf of the City. Motion carried.

BUDGET SOFTWARE PURCHASE – On motion of Perry, seconded by Munsell, the Governing Body tabled staff request to purchase ClearGov budget software in the amount of \$34,515 annually, with an additional one-time set-up fee of \$15,120, to allow time for staff to research the software and receive competitive bids on the purchase. Motion carried.

2027 BUDGET CALENDAR – The Governing Body accepted the proposed 2027 Budget Calendar.

Mayor Munsell stated that it is not his intention to cut City employees as a means of reducing the 2027 Budget, to correct the errors in the 2026 Budget. Commissioners Seglie and Perry echoed Mayor Munsell's statement.

NON-AGENDA REPORTS AND REQUESTS:

STORAGE CONTAINER ORDINANCE – Director of Property and Sanitation Dexter Neisler presented a draft Ordinance regarding storage containers. Mr. Neisler requested input and direction regarding the draft Ordinance.

QUITCLAIM DEED FOR PUBLIC STREET AND ROADWAY PURPOSES – On motion of Seglie, seconded by Hite, the Governing Body approved a Quitclaim Deed for Public Street and Roadway Purposes, for the establishment of a public street and roadway named and designated "George Graham Road", and authorized the Mayor to sign the Deed on behalf of the City. Motion carried.

PITTSBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT – Commissioner Brooks noted that 127 years ago, on February 11, 1898, the Pittsburg Fire Department was formed with \$735 funding four firefighters, two horses and a hook and ladder wagon.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION - On motion of Hite, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body recessed into Executive Session for fifteen minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss the salary increase of certain law enforcement personnel, with the meeting to resume in the City Commission Room in fifteen minutes. Motion carried.

The Governing Body recessed into Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.

The Governing Body reconvened into Regular Session at 7:59 p.m.

Mayor Munsell announced that no decisions were made and no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

SALARY INCREASE – Following a verbal recommendation by Police Chief Narges, on motion of Hite, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body approved a 5% salary increase for a certain Police Sergeant. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - On motion of Munsell, seconded by Perry, the Governing Body recessed into Executive Session for fifteen minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss the salary increase of certain law enforcement personnel, with the meeting to resume in the City Commission Room in fifteen minutes. Motion carried.

The Governing Body recessed into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

The Governing Body reconvened into Regular Session at 8:15 p.m.

Mayor Munsell announced that no decisions were made and no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

SALARY INCREASE – Following a verbal recommendation by Police Chief Narges, on motion of Perry, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body approved raising the starting wage for a dispatcher to \$18.00 per hour and approved a salary increase in the amount of \$1.50 per hour for current dispatchers. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - On motion of Perry, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body recessed into Executive Session for thirty minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss the City Manager's 2026 goals and Letter Agreement, with the meeting to resume in the City Commission Room in thirty minutes. Motion carried.

The Governing Body recessed into Executive Session at 8:16 p.m.

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The Governing Body reconvened into Regular Session at 8:46 p.m. Absent: Brooks and Seglie.

Mayor Munsell announced that no decisions were made and no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - On motion of Perry, seconded by Munsell, the Governing Body recessed into Executive Session for thirty minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss the City Manager's Letter Agreement, with the meeting to resume in the City Commission Room in thirty minutes. Motion carried. Absent: Brooks and Hite.

The Governing Body recessed into Executive Session at 8:47 p.m. Absent: Brooks and Hite.

The Governing Body reconvened into Regular Session at 9:15 p.m.

Mayor Munsell announced that no decisions were made and no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT - On motion of Perry, seconded by Brooks, the Governing Body adjourned the meeting at 9:16 p.m. Motion carried.



Chuck Munsell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tammy Nagel, City Clerk