



# City of Bonner Springs

## KANSAS

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### Planning for Growth Joint Special Meeting Minutes April 20, 2026

#### **STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP – 6:45 P.M.**

**Council Present:** Mayor Stephens, Councilmembers Shannon, Gurley, Wood, McMahan and Blanks. Kipp, Long and Reeves were absent.

**Planning Commission Present:** Chair Greg Gebauer, Lloyd Mesmer, Nick Perica, Sherri Neff and Vincent Bombardier. Cruse and Zeps were absent.

**City Staff Present:** Amber Vogan, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Carrie Handy, Assistant City Manager; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director; Megan Gililand, Economic Development Coordinator; Justine Spease, Recreation Manager; James Zeeb, Fire Chief; Billy Naff, Fire Chief; Heather Pate, Police Captain; Michael Kelling, Police Captain; Matt Beets, Public Works Director; Mark Lee, Community Development Director; Jack Granath, Library Director and Kirk Reimer, System Administrator

**The city manager welcomed everyone and reviewed the purpose of the meeting.**

**Amber Vogan, City Manager, presented information about items that are on the strategic plan from the previous strategic planning meeting in 2016:**

- Centralized Transit Hub
- Stormwater Rates
- Regional Park Plan
- Strategic Plan Update - can be done in-house or with a consultant.

**Kirk Reimer, System Administrator, presented information about the following items:**

- FD/PD Switches
- VOIP Phone System
- Veeam Backup Appliance

**Matt Beets, Public Works Director, presented information about the following items:**

- Working with Tillie on utility rate study rough estimates
- Nettleton Extension
- Kansas / K-7 improvements
- 130th Street Access Road Extension
- 138th Street Phases 2 & 3
- Demolition of 138th Street Water Tower
- Lonestar Interceptor
- Santa Fe Interceptor
- S. Bluegrass Waterline
- Garfield/Park Drive Waterline Replacement
- Grandview Waterline Replacement
- N. Neconi Waterline
- S. 134th Street Waterline

- Water Tower #3
- WWTP Electrical Building Upgrades
- WWTP Bar Screen Replacement
- WWTP Headworks Upgrade
- Aeration Basin
- Spring Creek Stabilization
- Morse Avenue Sidewalk

**Justine Spease, Recreation Manager, presented information about the following items:**

- Pool Renovations vs. New Pool
- Scheidt Lane Sidewalks / Trail
- Pratt Avenue Trail
- Spring Creek Trail

**James Zeeb, Fire Chief, presented information about the following items:**

- Emergency Services Station #2
- Fire Station Headquarters Repairs
- FT Fire Marshall
- Medic Unit
- Brush Truck

**Billy Naff, Police Chief, presented information about the following items:**

- Body Camera Upgrade
- In-Car Camera Upgrade
- Interview Room Upgrade
- Patrol Rifle Upgrade
- Storage Facility

**The city manager and assistant city manager conducted a dot poll of the items discussed to get an idea of which ones are highest priority.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Christina Brake, City Clerk