



City of Bonner Springs

KANSAS

City Council Meeting Minutes
May 27, 2025

CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 7:30 P.M.

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

City Staff Present: Amber Vogan, City Manager and Chris Brake, City Clerk

PRESENTATION

1. **Proclamation - National Gun Violence Awareness Day** - The Mayor presented a proclamation to Moms Demand Action members recognizing National Gun Violence Awareness Day.

CITIZEN CONCERNS ABOUT ITEMS NOT ON TODAY'S AGENDA – None Presented.

CONSENT AGENDA - Blanks seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimous approval.

1. Minutes of the May 12, 2025 City Council Meeting
2. Claims for City Operations
3. Public Use Request – Tiblow Trot

OLD BUSINESS - None presented

NEW BUSINESS -

1. **Ordinance to Redefine Wards** - Shannon moved and Blanks seconded to adopt an ordinance to redefine the current wards. Motion carried on a vote of seven to one, with Reeves dissenting.
2. **Agreement with Unified Government for On-Site DMV Renewal Services** - Blanks moved and McMahan second to approve the agreement with the Unified Government for on-site DMV renewal services pending legal review. Unanimous approval.
3. **Resolution to Amend the City Fees Schedule** - Shannon moved and Reeves seconded to adopt a resolution amending the City fee schedule for the city of Bonner Springs, Kansas. Unanimous approval.

REPORTS

1. **City Manager's Report** – The City Manager reported most residents have received their carts from WM. If you don't have a cart yet, contact city hall. The informational open house about the new trash and recycling process was last week. The information distributed at the open house is also available at the library and was made available at the Farmers' Market. This information contains a calendar for the recycling schedule.
If councilmembers still have their budget priority ranking sheet, please give it to the City Manager as soon as possible.

2. **City Council Items**

- Blanks - Thanked the Mayor and VFW for a great Memorial Day Service at the cemetery. Two weeks ago, she did a 10-hour ride along with the fire department and looks forward to doing more ride alongs with other departments. On Saturday, she helped give a tour of City Hall.
- Reeves - Thanked staff for taking care of Spring Creek.
- McMahan - Stated the Memorial Day Service was great. Jeff Harris and team do a great job. Jim Jenkins and the VFW do a great job. He would like to see more people attend.
- Wood - Stated there are so many good things going on in the city.
- Kipp - Looks forward to the DMV renewal site being here.
- Shannon - Stated it means a lot to Bonner Springs that Commissioner Stites represents us. He also thanks Dr. Kneuvean for bringing the DMV pilot to Bonner.

3. **Mayor's Report** – The Mayor thanked Emily for helping with the tours on Saturday. He attended the MARC Directors meeting where there was a presentation about the measles outbreak. One of the best things to do is immunizations. Wyandotte County has a 70% vaccination rate. Would like to see emphasis on educating people about vaccinations.

Commissioner Stites stated he has been working for about two years on more uses inside this building, to bring other county services out here. The County will do a media blitz on the DMV pilot.

ADJOURNMENT - Blanks moved and Shannon seconded to adjourn the city council meeting at 8:24 p.m. Unanimous approval.

_____ Christina Brake, City Clerk