



---

**MINUTES  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
CITY HALL, 701 WASHINGTON ST.**

Wednesday, March 18, 2026 5:30 p.m.

---

The governing body met in regular session March 18, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Hutchinson, Lambertz, Hasch, and Wentz. Commissioner Jackson attended via Zoom

Absent: None.

Other Officers: City Manager Amy Lange, City Clerk Hunter York, Finance Director Amber Farha, City Attorney Justin Ferrell.

Visitors: Russell Gagnon, Caleb Lausen, Jason Johnson, Anna Widen, Jack Widen, Katie Jones Staff present: Tim Jessup, Building Inspector; Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Shane Kisby, Public Works Director; John Christensen, Fire Chief, Chris Atkins, Parks and Recreation Director

There being a quorum present, Mayor Hutchinson called the meeting to order.

The invocation was followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ITEMS SCHEDULED AT A CERTAIN TIME**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Public Hearing for 715 E. 8th St.**

Mayor Hutchinson opened the public hearing.

Tim Jessup said the property was damaged due to fire damage.

Katie Jones expressed her concerns regarding the property's structural safety and recommended the demolition of the property.

Mayor Hutchinson closed the public hearing.

**Public Hearing for 203 W. 1st St.**

Mayor Hutchinson opened the public hearing.

Tim Jessup said the property was damaged due to dilapidation.

Grady Thoman updated the commission on the steps he is taking to restore the property.

Mayor Hutchinson closed the public hearing.

**ACTION AGENDA** *(Action Expected)*

**Resolution 2026-2226 – Condemnation of 715 E. 8th St.**

There was presented to the City Commission a Resolution for condemnation of 715 E. 8th St.

Thereupon, on motion of Commissioner Lambertz, seconded by Commissioner Wentz, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Yea: Commissioners Jackson, Lambertz, Hutchinson, Hasch, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2026-2226, was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**Resolution 2026-2227 – Condemnation of 203 W. 1st St.**

There was presented to the City Commission a Resolution for condemnation of 203 W. 1st St.

Thereupon, on motion of Commissioner Hasch, seconded by Commissioner Wentz, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Yea: Commissioners Jackson, Lambertz, Hutchinson, Hasch, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2026-2227, was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**Minutes of March 04, 2026 Meeting**

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the minutes of March 04, 2026. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

**Appropriation Ordinance #5**

Commissioner Jackson moved to approve appropriation ordinance #5. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**Highland Drive Project – 7th St., Doster., and 11th St. Bids**

Bids were solicited for the reconstruction of E. 7th Street from Matthew Street to Cloud Street and the mill and overlay of W. 11th Street and Highland Drive on February 3rd, 2026.

The City received a base bid from APAC-Kansas, INC. Shears Division in the amount of \$1,928,560.59. The City also received a base bid from Diehl Enterprises, Salina in the amount of \$1,416,520.00.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to accept the bid from Diehl Enterprises, Salina for the reconstruction of E. 7th Street from Matthew Street to Cloud Street and the mill and overlay of W. 11th Street and Highland Drive on February 3rd, 2026. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**Republic County EMS Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement facilitates the shared use of personnel and equipment between the City of Concordia Fire Department and Republic County EMS upon verbal request during emergencies.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with Republic County EMS. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

**Clyde, Kansas Fire Department Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement enables the City of Concordia Fire Department and the Clyde, Kansas Fire Department to cooperate and provide mutual fire and emergency assistance upon request.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with Clyde, Kansas Fire Department. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**Mitchell County EMS Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement outlines the protocols for Mitchell County EMS and the City of Concordia Fire Department to assist one another with personnel and equipment during medical emergencies.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with Mitchell County EMS. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**Clay County EMS Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement allows for mutual assistance between departments, ensuring that resources from Clay County EMS and the City of Concordia Fire Department can be requested to support local emergency medical operations when needed.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with Clay County EMS. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

**Minneapolis, Kansas EMS Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement is a formal partnership between Minneapolis EMS and the City of Concordia Fire Department to provide reciprocal emergency medical aid and resource sharing upon the scene officer's request.

Commissioner Jackson moved to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with Minneapolis, Kansas EMS. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**Clyde Ambulance Services Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement**

This automatic aid agreement ensures Concordia responds immediately for rescue calls when Clyde's single ambulance is already in service or fails to respond.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement with Clyde Ambulance Services Automatic. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**C&R Benefit Fire District 1 Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement mandates an automatic response from the City of Concordia Fire Department for rescue purposes and any reported or confirmed structure fires within the district.

Commissioner Hasch moved to approve the Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement with C&R Benefit Fire District 1. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**Glasco Rural Fire District No. 2 Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement**

This automatic aid agreement ensures immediate rescue resource deployment from the City of Concordia Fire Department to the Glasco Rural Fire District upon notification of emergency.

Commissioner Jackson moved to approve the Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement with Glasco Rural Fire District No. 2. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

**Miltonvale Rural Fire District No. 3 Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement provides for automatic rescue assistance from the City of Concordia Fire Department to the Miltonvale Rural Fire District to improve response times and service coverage.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement with Miltonvale Rural Fire District No. 3. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

**Cloud County Rural Fire District No. 4 Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement**

This agreement is a formal partnership requiring the City of Concordia Fire Department to automatically dispatch rescue resources to District #4, while also providing coverage for reported structure fires.

Commissioner Hasch moved to approve the Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement with Cloud County Rural District No. 4. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**REPORTS**

***Manager’s Report***

Amy Lange discussed exploring the opportunity to work with Neighborhood Legal Services on the use of the Kansas Abandoned Housing Act to rehabilitate homes in the community. She discussed looking for a partnership with a nonprofit organization in order to hold property and process money.

***Staff Reports***

Tim Jessup updated the commissioners on the status of 211 E. 5th St. It is burned down and the lot is in the works of being cleared out.

Shane Kisby updated the Commission on the Highway Project. He stated that striping would begin Friday. He also gave an update on the four tree planter boxes that have been poured and the four different types of trees being planted.

***Mayor/Commissioner Comments & Reports***

Commissioner Hutchinson asked the high school students in attendance to come up and have their paperwork signed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Confidential Business Data**

Commissioner Jackson moved that the City Commission recess into executive session to discuss confidential business data or trade secrets of a business, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(4) with Amy Lange, Tim Beimes, and Justin Ferrell in attendance, and to reconvene in the city commission chamber at 6:34 p.m. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Commissioners Hutchinson, Jackson, Lambertz, Hasch, and Wentz

Naye: None

Time: 6:14 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 6:34 p.m.

Mayor Hutchinson announced there was no binding action taken.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, at 6:35 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.



/s/ Hunter York  
City Clerk