

**CITY OF OSAGE CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
November 18, 2025**

**ROLL CALL:** Now on this 18th day of November, 2025, the Governing Body of the City of Osage City, Kansas, met at the Osage City Council Chamber in said City at 7:00 p.m. The following members being present and participating to wit: Mayor: Brian Stromgren; Council Members: Kathy Ayers, Shirley Bausman, Mike Gilliland, Mike Handly, Cathryn Houghton, Susan Smith, Jeannette Swarts, and Jeff Tice. City Staff present: Rick Godderz, City Attorney; Tom Harm, Police Chief; Katie Hodge, City Manager; Corey Linton, Recreation and Community Improvement Director; Larry Phillips, Police Sergeant; Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director; Amy Woodward, City Clerk. Excused: Sadie Boos, City Treasurer.

Others Present: Greg Carson, Terry Lindbloom, Ed Berends, Robert D Potter, Lynn Gragg, Andrew Lee Boren.

**Mayor Stromgren called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

**Mayor Stromgren called for a moment of silence for those impacted by the November 15<sup>th</sup> law enforcement shooting in Northern rural Osage County.**

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

*Motion by Tice, second by Smith, to approve the agenda. The motion was declared carried (8-0).*

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:** None

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of October 28, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

*Motion by Swarts, second by Ayers to approve the consent agenda. The motion was declared carried (8-0).*

**BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

- 1. 20 Years of Service Recognition for city employees Corey Linton and Larry Phillips – Katie Hodge, City Manager**

Hodge recognized Linton & Phillips on their 20 years of service to the City of Osage City.

- 2. Boats on City Lake Discussion – Bob Potter, Citizen**

Citizens Bob Potter, Terry Lindbloom, Greg Carson, and Ed Berends addressed City Council regarding allowing small electric and trolling motor only boats on the City Lake for recreational fishing, as well as also allowing kayaks.

No action was taken by Council on this topic.

**3. Approval of 3-year pasture contract with Daniel Meek (Action Required) – Katie Hodge, City Manager**

A 15.60-acre pasture tract located north of the Osage City American Cemetery was up for lease renewal. The bid information was published in the newspaper throughout October, with the bid opening held on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Only one bid was received, from Daniel Meek.

*Motion made by Smith, second by Tice, to approve the City of Osage City entering into a 3-year lease with Daniel Meek for the 15.6-acre tract exclusive of the right-of-way, located in the southwest ¼ of the southwest ¼, Section 14, Township 1q6, Range 14 East Osage County Kansas and authorizing the City Manager to sign the lease agreement. The motion was declared carried (8-0).*

**4. Public Hearing for 510 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Resolution No. 1144 (Potential Action Required) – Katie Hodge, City Manager**

Mayor Stromgren opened the Public Hearing at 7:18 p.m.

Hodge expressed concerns on behalf of the City regarding the property.

Andrew Boren (son of the deceased property owner) agreed that the structure should be taken down, and he is making progress toward this.

Hodge requested Boren complete a Demolition Permit and a request for Utility Removal form.

Mayor Stromgren closed the Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

*Motion made by Tice, second by Smith to approve Resolution No. 1144 finding that the structure located on Part of Southeast ¼, Section 23, Township 16, Range 14 Osage County, Kansas, Beginning 100 ft. North of Northeast CORNER INTERSECTION MISSOURI PACIFIC RAIL ROAD AND 6TH STREET; THEN North 150 ft.; East 150 ft.; South 150 ft., West 150 ft.; TO POINT OF BEGINNING, Original Town of Osage City, Kansas commonly known as 510 N. 6th Street, is unsafe and dangerous and hereby direct such structure to be removed and the premises made safe and secure. The Owners of such structure are hereby given 30 days from the date of publication of this Resolution within which to commence the repairs or removal of such structure, such repairs or removal to be completed within 60 days, and if such owners fail to commence repairs or the removal of such structure within the time stated or fails to diligently prosecute the same until the work is completed, said*

*governing body will cause the structure to be razed and removed and the costs of such razing and removing, less salvage if any, to be assessed as a special assessment against the lot or parcel of land upon which the structure is located as provided by law. The motion was declared carried (8-0).*

**5. Approval of Ordinance No. 1707 for the Huffman II Planned Unit Development zoning overlay (Action Required) – Katie Hodge, City Manager**

Hodge, reviewed the PUD application approval on October 14<sup>th</sup>, and the Council subsequently directed the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance designating the respective tract as a Planned Unit Development Overlay District.

*Motion made by Handly, second by Gilliland to approve Ordinance No. 1707 for the Huffman Addition II designating a tract of land for a Planned Unit Development in accordance with Article 16, Planned Unit Development Overlay District, of the Zoning Regulations of the City of Osage City, Kansas. The motion was declared carried (7-1) with Swarts dissenting.*

**6. Approval of Ordinance No. 1708 for the Osage Legacy (13<sup>th</sup> & Brant) Planned Unit Development zoning overlay (Action Required) – Katie Hodge, City Manager**

Hodge, reviewed the PUD application approval on October 14<sup>th</sup>, and the Council subsequently directed the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance designating the respective tract as a Planned Unit Development Overlay District.

*Motion made by Houghton, second by Gilliland to approve Ordinance No. 1708, designating a tract of land for a Planned Unit Development in accordance with Article 16, Planned Unit Development Overlay District, of the Zoning Regulations of the City of Osage City, Kansas. The motion was declared carried (8-0).*

**7. Approval of Ordinance No. 1709 Interconnection Agreement**

Schwieger discussed the State of Kansas changes that impacted the interconnection agreement that was previously in place for the City of Osage City, and recommended updates based on these changes.

*Motion by Houghton, second by Smith to approve Ordinance No. 1709 adopting the interconnection standards for installation and parallel operation of customer-owned renewable electric generation. The motion was declared carried (8-0).*

**8. Executive Session per K.S.A. 75-4319(b) Employer – employee relations and negotiations for a period of 5 minutes to include all council members and Mayor. (Action Required) – Mayor Brian Stromgren**

*Motion made by Tice, second by Smith to enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes, to discuss employee relations and negotiations. Motion carried (8-0).*

Mayor Stromgren declared Council in executive session at 7:55 p.m.

Mayor Stromgren declared Council back in regular session at 8:45 p.m.

*Motion by Smith, second by Bausman to provide City Manager, Katie Hodge, with a 2% raise effective January 1, 2026. The motion was declared carried (8-0).*

**9. City's Christmas Holiday Luncheon on December 15<sup>th</sup> – Amy Woodward, City Clerk**

Woodward invited Council to the upcoming Holiday Luncheon, please RSVP by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT:** *At the request of Council Member Tice and on his motion, seconded by Council Member Bausman and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.*

APPROVED: *Brian D. Stromgren*  
Brian D. Stromgren, Mayor

ATTESTED: *Amy Woodward*  
Amy Woodward, City Clerk

