Kimball City Council
Regular Meeting
November 04, 2025

A City Council meeting was convened in open and public session at 5:00 p.m. November 04, 2025, held at the City Council Chambers, 223 S. Chestnut St. Council members present were, Jamie Murdoch, Austin Garner, James Shields and Greg Robinson. Also, present was Mayor John Morrison, City Clerk Paula Tarango, City Administrator Annette Brower and City Treasurer Jean Klassen. The public was represented at the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is on record at the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The room was led in prayer.

Morrison acknowledge the Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Robinson, seconded by Murdoch to approve the minutes from the Council meeting held on October 21, 2025. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Robinson, Garner, Shields, and Murdoch. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Shields, seconded by Robinson to elect board member Greg Robinson as the new City Council President effective immediately. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Robinson, Shields, and Murdoch. Nay: Garner. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Jo Wells – Kimball Citizen – provided a presentation on the proposed **Frontier Panhandle Frontiers Finds** event. This is a new community event currently in the planning stages. Organizers have reached out to representatives from the Nebraska Junk Jaunt and Highway 21 Frontiers Finds for guidance on how to successfully launch and manage the event. The proposal includes appointing vendor coordinators to organize vendors, artists, and other participants, as well as engaging community leaders and interested sellers. A centralized location would be identified for event activities. Coordinators would receive training to support their roles, and a dedicated sales and marketing team would focus on promoting and publicizing the event. Community members interested in participating are encouraged to contact Jo Wells for more information. Discussion only; no action taken.

Motion by Robinson, seconded by Murdoch to approve the business improvement grant for Jolly Roger's Good Times Bar – Roger Dohse (owner) In the amount of $5,000. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Robinson, Garner, Shields, and Murdoch. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Reports –

City Administrator – Annette Brower – Congratulations to Zeb Brown for passing the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator test, it is a very complex and lengthy process and there is also a shortage nationwide on operators, way to go. Our plant is wrapped up, the fuel tanks are in, currently working on minor details, we are back on board with MEAN and continue moving forward. Wastewater Treatment Plant is finishing up on a few details, there are still a couple contractors out there. We started flow on Monday, and there will be chemical testing in about a week. The tile installer is still at City Park working on finishing up in a couple of weeks or so. The appraiser was out today for the city properties that we've been discussing on selling, there will be more detail on that during the upcoming city council meeting. Our building inspector has started working on abatements for unsafe properties, there are more than 15 and the work load is quite large. We will give additional updates as we go. Streets and Parks are working on multiple dead trees in advance of winter. The electric crew has began working on the infrastructure for the Lighthouse Subdivision.

Public Comment – No public comment.

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, at 5:00pm.
There being no further business, motion by Murdoch, seconded by Garner, to adjourn the meeting at 5:33p.m. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Shields, Robinson, Garner, and Murdoch. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

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John Morrison, Mayor City Clerk