Minutes of September 1, 2026 Wakarusa Town Council Meeting

PRESENT: Phil Klotz, Annette Brown, Rocco Rigsby–Town Council, Rob Slagle-Town Manager, Katie Fromer-Clerk-Treasurer, Charlie Zercher-Town Attorney
Absent: Carl Gilbert, Randall Mitschelen – Town Council

Council Vice President Klotz called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Councilwoman Brown made a motion to approve meeting minutes of the August 4th, 2026, Wakarusa Town Council meeting. Councilman Rigsby seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilman Klotz welcomed any visitors who wished to address the Council. Darrell Schwarts 212 Laurelwood expressed concern with potholes from the fiber companies. Judson Yoder, 28810 CR 38, and Nate Wagner, 28862 County Road 38, expressed concern with Flock cameras. Marshal Hershberger and Officer Bailey provided response to Flock camera concerns. Dylan Harmon, Kendall Ramer, and Zach Royster representing the Wakarusa Fire Department presented quotes for a fire truck.

Councilman Rigsby made a motion to approve JPR's recommendation for BOT Scoping Phase 1 for the UV System installation recommended contractor, Thieneman Construction. Councilwoman Brown seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown made a motion to suspend the rules and approve Ordinance 2026-5 Salary Ordinance Amendment on the first reading. Councilman Rigsby seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-5 Salary Ordinance Amendment. Councilman Rigsby opposed.

Councilman Rigsby made a motion to appoint Town Manager Slagle as the Wastewater Bond Authorized Signer. Councilwoman Brown seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Council will table the contract for a new ambulance to clarify language of contract.

Councilman Rigsby made a motion to approve Pay Application #24 to DLZ in the amount of $22,812.50 for the Water Treatment Plant. Councilwoman Brown seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilman Rigsby made a motion to approve Pay Application #22 to R. Yoder Construction in the amount of $244,390.94 for the Water Treatment Plant. Councilwoman Brown seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown made a motion to authorize Council President Gilbert to sign the Community Crossing Matching Grant obligation for $244,918.89, a 20/80 match. Councilman Rigsby seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown made a motion to allocate the funds for the Community Crossing Matching Grant. Councilman Rigsby seconds. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilman Rigsby made a motion to approve the purchase of a Hustler mower for $15,999 from the 2026 budget. Councilman Brown seconds. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown made a motion to approve the claims and adjourn the meeting. Councilman Rigsby seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Next Work Session: October 5th, 2026
Next Council Meeting: October 6th, 2026

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer