Minutes of September 16, 2026 Wakarusa Special Town Council Meeting

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

Council President Gilbert called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council President Gilbert welcomed any visitors who wished to address the Council. Kendall Ramer and Dylan Harmon of the Wakarusa Fire Department presented the proposal for the purchase of a fire truck. Councilman Klotz made a motion to approve the purchase agreement from MacQueen in the amount of $1,094,900 pending review of Town Attorney Zercher. Councilman Mitschelen seconds. Councilwoman Brown opposed. Motion passed by majority.

Councilman Mitschelen made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-5 for the Community Crossing Matching Grant. Councilman Klotz seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilman Mitschelen made a motion to authorize Council President Gilbert to sign the Community Crossing Matching Grant commitment letter. Councilman Klotz seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Council President Gilbert opened the public hearing on the 2027 budget. No comments were heard. Councilman Mitschelen made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Klotz seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Various employee health insurance options were reviewed. Councilman Mitschelen made a motion to approve the continuation of employee health insurance with the current Anthem plan. Councilman Klotz seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Town Council agreed to table the Flock Camera renewal until the October Council meeting.

Councilman Mitschelen made a motion to approve the sales contract to purchase a new ambulance from Fire Service, Inc. in the amount of $308,347. Councilman Klotz seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilman Klotz made a motion to approve the claims. Councilman Mitschelen seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilman Klotz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Mitschelen seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

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

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer