

**CITY OF SEDAN
MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 2025**

The Sedan City Council met for the council's regularly scheduled meeting on June 17th, 2025, at city hall, beginning at 5:30 PM, with Mayor Bryan Blankinship presiding. Council members present: Sharon Payne, Kathy Miller, Janice Fine, Adam Clark, and Angela Evans. Employees present: Caleb Ironsyde, Raven Darnall, Lana Robinson, and Police Chief Kirk Richardson. Public present: Wellington Butler, Chelise Bane, and Tim Hills.

At 5:30 PM, Mayor Bryan Blankinship called the regular meeting to order.

Adam Clark made a motion to amend the agenda to reflect the changes for bills in the amount of \$115,756.93 the agenda. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adam Clark made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Kathy Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sharon Payne made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on June 3rd, 2025. Kathy Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sharon Payne made a motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$115,756.93. Angela Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments-

- None

Staff Comments-

- Police Chief Kirk Richardson told the council the police department is having a difficult time determining what ATV's are permitted to drive in city limits on Ordinance No. 926. Police Chief Richardson presented a solution to the council with small license plates with permit year stickers. He also made a suggestion on changing the cost of the permits from \$100.00 a year to \$50.00 a year.
- Caleb Ironsyde advised the council he is ready to order more asphalt for road patching. Caleb Ironsyde is requesting a purchase of a laptop computer.
- Lana Robinson advised the council that Kansas Works visited the office today and they are involved in hiring and it would be at no cost for the city. Lana Robinson will be looking into this service.

Council Comments-

Angela Evans made a motion to approve the purchase of cold patch. Janice Fine seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Kathy Miller was contacted about the container that was placed at the rodeo arena by the youth football league and its location. Caleb Ironsyde advised it is close to the approved location by 3 feet.
- Adam Clark wants the animal shelter negotiations to not fall through the cracks and make efforts to work on a service agreement with them. Adam Clark was approached by a citizen about purchasing the small piece of property the city owns behind Bank of Sedan. Lana Robinson will look into the property to make sure there are no regulations the city needs to follow on that property and how to put it up for sale.

Janice Fine made a motion to go into an executive session to discuss matters pertaining to the terms and conditions of employment, K.S.A 75-4319 (b)(1); regarding personnel matters of nonelected personnel; the open meeting shall resume no later than 6:15 pm here in City Hall in the City of Sedan and retain Caleb Ironsyde. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 6:15 PM, resume regular meeting no decisions were made.

- Sharon Payne read her resignation to the council effective June 17th, 2025.

May Financial Review-

- Treasurer Raven Darnall gave the council May's financial review.

Sewer Reduction Form- Account # 1667-10834-

- Raven Darnall gave the council the information on sewer reduction form for account # 1667-10834.

Adam Clark made a motion to approve sewer reduction on account # 1667-10834. Kathy Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda Request Form- Sedan Baseball/Softball Association-

- Chelise Bane Vice President of the association asked the council if the association could put a batting cage at the softball/baseball complex on the northside of the shed.

Adam Clark made a motion to approve the association to place a batting cage next to the softball field. Janice Fine seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Butler & Associates-

- Lana Robinson presented to the council Butler and Associates collection firm. This firm works with several entities throughout the state and is a debit collection firm that does everything out of their firm. They do take 33.33% of collections but if the council passes an ordinance, they can add their fees to the collection so the city will be able to get all their fees back. Butler and associates came out and did a presentation for the office and it is easy to work with. There is no limitation on collecting unpaid utility bills or court fees. With court

fees they will automatically put the court costs and fees associated with any collections on them. Butler and Associates also works with set off our current collections program that is not working too well.

Angela Evans made a motion to use Butler & Associates and have Jeff Chubb draft up an ordinance for the fees. Adam Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2026 Budget Discussion-

- Lana Robinson went over grants she would like to apply for on the city's behalf for street repairs and housing rehabilitation.

Adam Clark made a motion to go into an executive session to discuss matters pertaining to the terms and conditions of employment, K.S.A 75-4319 (b)(1); regarding personnel matters of nonelected personnel; the open meeting shall resume no later than 7:00 pm here in City Hall in the City of Sedan. Janice Fine seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 7:00 PM, resume regular meeting no decisions were made.

- Adam Clark advised that the council is considering a 4% cost of living raise rather than a 5% raise next year.

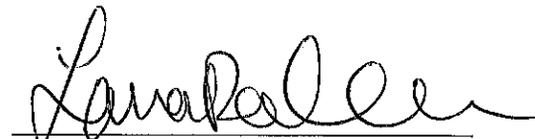
Fourth of July Fireworks-

- Tim Hills was requesting funds for the Fourth of July fireworks show that is put on at the Old City Lake.

Adam Clark made a motion to donate \$750.00 to the city fireworks show. Kathy Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 7:09 PM, Angela Evans made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Adam Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned.


Bryan Blankinship, Mayor


Lana Robinson, City Clerk