

Minutes
City Council
August 3, 2026

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in a regular session in the Utilities Conference Room at the Utility Shop on the 3rd day of August, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same being annexed to the minutes of the meeting as Attachment #1, said attachment showing how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this notice, the same having been transmitted to each Council Member simultaneously. The Mayor presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

Routine Business

The following Council Members were present: Lance Beethe, Brian Britt, Travis Goracke, Alicia Brommer, Tyler Speckmann, and Lorie Topp. Absent: None. Others present: Mayor, 2 Staff, City Attorney, 1 Media and 8 Public.

Meeting called to order at 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Grof read a statement of availability of current copy of Open Meeting Act.

Additions or Corrections to Agenda – None

Regular Agenda

Sheriff's Report- provided by Sheriff Lyon.

City Clerk Report - Budget has been sent to the auditors, waiting for the next step.

Streets Report- DTR project moving along, Museum side is on construction is off limits until the museum wall is fixed, will be moving to 4th street in front of the sheriff's office. Arrowhead Drive hoping to have it bid out in a couple of weeks.

Economic Development Report- Doug Goracke – Working on Nio Corp water availability, along with putting out notices to tear down a couple of houses in town.

Utility Department Report- Doug Goracke- Inspection of the small water tower was done. Building at the Power Plant is closer to being erected. Generator building at the wells should be finished next week. Board recommends approving the wage recommendations for FY2627

Parks Report- Sunday August 2 was the last day of the 2026 pool season.

Consider wage recommendations for 25-26 fiscal year. Motion by Topp to approve. Second by Goracke. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Britt, Goracke, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: Absent: N/A Motion Carried.

Consider Resolution of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska denying Allocation of Levy Authority to Tecumseh Airport, but authorizing Transfer of Fuds to Tecumseh Airport Pursuant to Interlocal Agreement. Introduction and Motion by Brommer to approve. Second by Topp. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Britt, Goracke, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: Absent: N/A Motion Carried.

Consider an Interlocal Agreement with the Tecumseh Airport Authority. Motion by Topp to approve. Second by Speckmann. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Britt, Goracke, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: Absent: N/A Motion Carried.

Discussion on Flock Cameras: Kevin Kramer expressed his concerns about the cost and accuracy of flock cameras, citing national data on inaccuracies and potential constitutional violations. Sheriff Lynn Lyon read a letter from Bob Hutt, emphasizing the importance of flock cameras in public safety and providing examples of their effectiveness in local cases highlighting the accountability and data deletion practices of the flock cameras, reassuring the council that they do not infringe on privacy rights. George Schmidt stated that he supports the flock cameras, citing personal and public safety benefits. Kevin Kramer made one additional concern about new technologies and facial recognition. No further action was taken.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Topp, second by Beethe to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve minutes of the July 20, 2026, meeting.

2. Pay bills for city funds: Aspen Builders, Inc - 22153.93, 3605.51, Black Hills Energy - 2819.58, Brinkman Bros., Inc - 1258.39, Dollar General-Regions 410526 - 9.50, 24.35, 51.20, 10.50, 67.50, 17.90, 21.00, Eakes Office Solutions - 94.38, Hometown Leasing - 83.61, Jo Co Treasurer - 18375.00, Kerner Ace Hardware - 79.99, 67.96, League Of Ne Municipalities - 4709.00, Mahoney Concrete LLC - 7880.00, Mark Celesky - 40000.00, Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge - 2074.76, Nebraska Library Commission - 555.00, RKM Fireworks Company - 10000.00, Solutions Tech - 324.96, Southeast Ne Action Center - 187.00, T-Mobile - 82.55, Windstream - 74.08, Total - 114627.65

Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Britt, Goracke, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: Absent: N/A Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Kerri Miller, Deputy City Clerk

Jesse Grof, Mayor