

Minutes
City Council
December 1, 2025

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 1st day of December, 2025, 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, Alicia Brommer, Tyler Speckmann and Lorie Topp. Absent: Travis Goracke. Others present: Mayor, 3 Staff, City Attorney, 1 Media, 3 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

City Clerk Report- Handibus Board met and voted to increase Handibus Rates. Continue to work with Year-end Audit.

Streets Report- Doug Goracke- Working on design of Arrowhead Drive. Patch some pot holes. Crew got all the plows ready. Ordered load of ice melt.

Consider Resolution adopting the One and Six Year Plan for Street Improvements for the City of Tecumseh. Motion by Topp, Second by Brommer. Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Consider Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent, Resolution, Signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent Form. Motion by Speckmann, Second by Britt. Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Street Superintendent Appointment- Recommend Appointing Matt Schaardt as the City's Street Superintendent for January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026 Year. Motion by Topp, Second by Beethe. Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Economic Development Report- We received notice of award for our CDBG DTR improvement application. Turnbull Tire has begun construction on their new facility. Meeting with Aspen Builders in the coming weeks.

Utility Department Report- Doug Goracke- Cooling project substantially complete, Gov. shutdown slowed reimbursements but improving. Old pool house is demolished, digging out foundation and will begin to backfill. Pole replaced near 10th Clay. Issue with switchgear at Tecumseh Poultry, will need to be replaced. Working way thru Grid grant project paperwork. Soliciting some estimated costs for Building to house gen sets.

Parks Report- Kids Club activities continue.

Consider recommendation from Parks & Rec for Outback Fence quote for the tennis/pickleball courts and bridge at park-\$32,738.10. Tabled.

Consider Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance renewal, currently monthly premium \$17,153, renewal \$22,256/mo. Motion by Speckmann, Second by Britt. Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Brommer. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Consider Renewal Contract with Ray J Sanitation, LLC for garbage services. Motion by Speckmann, Second by Topp . Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Consider Change order #2 For Power Plant Cooling Project- \$ (44,863.75) decrease. Motion by Topp, Second by Britt . Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Consider Final Pay Application from Farabee Mechanical for Power Plant Project- \$246,433.63 Motion by Topp, Second by Beethe . Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Elect Council President for 2026 year. Motion by Topp nominating Speckmann. Seconded by Beethe. Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Comment was made in reference to a Code Violation warning letter. Discussion was had in reference to Code Violations, and how many are typically sent out in a year.

Consent Agenda

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

1. Approve minutes of the November 17, 2025 meeting
2. Pay bills for City Funds

A STREET AUTO PARTS - TECUMSEH - 23.69, BLACK HILLS ENERGY - 126.49, BRINKMAN BROS., INC - 1258.39, COMMUNITY INSURANCE GROUP INC - 911.35, DENNIS MCCLINTOCK - 54.60, DOLLAR GENERAL-REGIONS 410526 - 28.50, 33.55, 31.89, 19.50, HOMETOWN LEASING - 83.61, JO CO TREASURER - 17500.00, LISA VANWINKLE - 79.10, MATT SCHAARDT - 3000.00, MORRISSEY, MORRISSEY & DALLUGE - 2074.76, SOLUTIONS TECH - 276.20, SOUTHEAST NE ACTION CENTER- 161.50, PAYROLL- 14512.54, SUN AUTO TIRE & SERVICE - 129.99, 154.99, TRANSIT FIXED/ON-DEMAND - 144.00, WINDSTREAM - 239.73, WINDSTREAM - 68.88, Total – 40913.26

Voting Aye: Beethe, Britt, Brommer, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goracke. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Janelle Moran, City Clerk

Jesse Grof, Mayor