

MINUTES PARKER CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
Parker Community Building
432 W. Kimball, Parker, Kansas
May 14, 2026

Mayor Jason Webber called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PLEDGE AND PRAYER: The pledge was given, and Mayor Webber offered the prayer.

ROLL CALL: Clerk Leach took the Roll.

Jason Webber, Mayor	Present
Kari Brandt, Council Member	Present
Meranda Ellison, Council Member	Present
Joe Godfrey, Council Member	Present
Stacia Minden, Council Member	Present
Carrie Sewell, Council Member	Present

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL: Mayor Webber asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Stacia Minden moved to approve the consent agenda as written. Kari Brandt seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Julie Hurlock addressed the council regarding three topics: the Eagle Scout project at the lake and obtaining information about a bench similar to the one at Heritage Park; the need for a storm shelter for residents; and recent inconsistencies in City Hall office hours. She expressed concern that office closures have made it difficult to conduct business in person and asked the council to consider options to improve office accessibility.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Mayor Webber asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

Joe Godfrey moved to approve the agenda as written. Meranda Ellison seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Attorney, Lindsey Kolisch: Not present.

City Treasurer, Kathy Harrison: Not present.

City Clerk, Lisa Leach: Reminded the Council of the upcoming Citywide Garage Sale (May 30). It was discussed that perhaps addresses could be shared online prior to the Citywide Garage Sale.

Chief of Police, Chris Lee: Not present. Mayor Webber reported that Officer Kartman Highley had been released and Officer Brandon Schneider had been hired and sworn in. He also reported that there are currently three cases pending for the July court session

Maintenance, James Hazelet: Reported the roof on the City Barn is complete and looks good. The used tin is still sitting on our lot, waiting for disposal.

Water and Sewer Contractor, Chad Page: Not present.

Compactor Operator, Al Kerr: Reported all is going well.

Park Board: No report.

Planning and Zoning: Not present.

OLD BUSINESS:

Workshop for Ordinances and Enforcement: The Council scheduled a workshop for Thursday, June 4th at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Building.

Ditch Drainage Project RFP Review: The council reviewed the proposed Request for Proposal and made several revisions to dates and times. The council approved the RFP for advertisement.

Ordinance for Jake Brakes: Clerk Leach asked the council whether they wished to add fines to the ordinance prior to its adoption. The council agreed to establish a fine schedule beginning at \$100 for a first offense, increasing by \$50 for each subsequent offense, up to a maximum fine of \$500.

NEW BUSINESS:

Summer Reading Program: The City received a letter requesting a donation for the Parker Library's Summer Reading Program. The council donated \$400 the previous year.

Meranda Ellison moved to donate \$400 to the Parker Library Summer Reading Program. Stacia Minden seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0 with two abstentions. Kari Brandt and Carrie Sewell abstained from the motion.

Updated Gateway Contract: Clerk Leach presented a contract from Gateway Fiber, which is a continuation of the contract originally signed in 2018.

Stacia Minden moved to approve the contract with Gateway Fiber. Meranda Ellison seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

James Hazelet addressed the council regarding City Clerk Lisa Leach. He stated that he enjoys working with her and asked the council to show grace and understanding in light of her recent personal circumstances.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Webber requested a five-minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with City Clerk Lisa Leach present.

Kari Brandt moved to enter executive session for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, with City Clerk Lisa Leach present, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Stacia Minden seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Kari Brandt moved to come out of executive session with no action being taken at 7:35 p.m. Joe Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Kari Brandt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:37p.m. Stacia Minden seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Leach, City Clerk