

**Regular Meeting:**

The Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, August 01, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at 430 Lincoln Avenue, Wamego, Kansas. Those present were Commissioners: Clifford Baughman, William Ditto and Mayor Thomas Beem.

Absent: Richard Weixelman and Michele Jacobs.

Also present were City Manager, Stacie Eichem, City Clerk, Shanda Jahnke, City Treasurer, Leslie Dugan and City Attorney, Jake Pugh.

The City Clerk presented the minutes of the regular meeting of the Governing Body held July 18, 2023. After careful reading and discussion thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Ditto to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 3, Nay: 0.

The City Clerk then submitted to the Governing Body for their consideration and approval Appropriation Ordinance No. 1674. After a careful review and discussion thereof, Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve and adopt Appropriation Ordinance Number 1674. Motion carried. Aye: 3, Nay: 0.

**Public Comments and Communications:**

The next regular work session will be August 15, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

**MPO Appointment:**

The City Manager advised that a letter had been received requesting an appointment or alternate for the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), which is currently held by Commissioner Baughman. Commissioner Baughman felt another commissioner should represent the city on the MPO. By consensus, the Governing Body decided to wait until the next meeting with more commissioners present to make the appointment.

**Board Appointment:**

Mayor Beem re-appointed Cory Lindsley and Rob Adams to the Planning Commission with terms expiring August 31, 2026.

Mayor Beem appointed Jay Garetson to the Airport Board with a term expiring September 3, 2026.

**Project Updates and Change Orders:**

Stacie advised the library project is still in progress with two pending change orders. Change order 19 is the amount of \$5037 for CMU block and change order 20 is the amount of \$78,368.05 for framing replacement. Commissioner Ditto moved to accept change orders 19 and 20 in the amounts of \$5037 and \$78,368.05. Motion carried. Aye: 3, Nay: 0.

The street project will be starting soon the contractor is currently waiting for specific parts.

**Purchase Requests:**

The City Manager reported that the parks department needs to replace a grasshopper mower. Due to the specific mower priced all prices were the same with Kan Equip being the local dealer. It was the staff recommendation to purchase the mower from Kan Equip in the amount of \$15,466.0 Commissioner Baughman moved, seconded by Commissioner Ditto to purchase the mower from Kan Equip. Motion carried. Aye: 3, Nay: 0.

**City Manager and Other Reports:**

Chess tables have been installed in the park by the pond from the John Lichtenhan memorial. The Kirkpatrick shelter has been completed. The last weekday of the outdoor pool will be August 11<sup>th</sup> with weekend hours still available. The recreation department is gearing up for fall sports. The power plant has been running with the hot temperatures. The electric department currently has two staff members assisting KCBPU to restore power from the recent storms in a mutual aid agreement. The police department and fire department recently worked on a training event with the school.

The City sales tax is up 8.7 % and the County is up 4.9% from this time last year.

No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

/s/ Thomas Beem, Mayor

/s/ Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk