

The Hoyt City Council met in regular session on June 17, 2026.

Present were Mayor Robert Bell and council members Leonard Allen, Debbie Dreasher, Joe Romans and Rebecca McClane. Council member Larry Valdez was absent. Also present were city attorney Tom Barnes and Chief of Police Adam Schafer.

Mayor Robert Bell called the meeting order at 7:00 p.m.

Council was previously provided minutes from the May 20, 2026 regular meeting. Joe Romans made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 20, 2026 regular meeting. Debbie Dreasher seconded, motion carried.

Council was previously provided minutes from the June 4, 2026 continuation meeting. Joe Romans made a motion to approve the continuation of the May 20, 2026 meeting held on June 4, 2026. Leonard Allen seconded, motion carried.

City clerk presented a Resolution approving cereal malt beverages in the park during the large tractor pull event on July 31, 2026. Debbie Dresher made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-1 allowing cereal malt beverages in the park on July 31, 2026 (from 7pm to 11 pm) sponsored by Duane Hug and approved the beer garden licensing process for the event . Joe Romans seconded, motion carried.

Council discussed a request by Clovie and George Stewart at 502 Annetta Avenue to turn their separate garage into living space. Paul Crawford had agreed to this condition as long as everything meets the city code requirements. City attorney stated this could be done through a conditional use permit. Debbie Dreahser made a motion to approve a building permit for this building change with a conditional use permit with the requirement it remain zoned single family residential. Joe Romans seconded, motion carried.

It was noted an accessory building permit was approved for 115 W Fifth Street.

Joe Romans provided an update on the estimate for repair of the edge of parking lot at 114 W Fourth. Council previously discussed cost sharing the repair costs with the owner, if agreeable. It was noted the owner had allegedly stated he was not interested in cost sharing the expense of the repair. Romans reported the estimate in the amount of \$10,500 for an approximately 15'x90' area. Leonard Allen discussed an option of restricting heavier trucks on that street. Council discussed an easement there, but it is not city property. Council again discussed KDOT's possible ownership of the location. It was ultimately deemed as it is an easement, the city is not responsible for the maintenance of the property.

Debbie Dreasher relayed a conversation with Fire Chief Jeremy Andrews about fixing hydrants instead of replacement. No repairs costs are available at this time.

City attorney Tom Barnes discussed preparing annexation documents for the school property previously discussed. This will be presented to the superintendent and school board. An Ordinance approving the annexation can be passed once the Petition for Annexation is approved by school administrators.

Tom Barnes presented the Ordinances relating to General Obligation Bonds for the sidewalk project prepared by bond counsel. Leonard Allen made a motion to pass Ordinance 376 Designating Certain Streets as Main Trafficways or Main Trafficway Connections as written. Joe Romans seconded, motion carried. Rebecca McClane, Debbie Dreasher, Joe Romans and Leonard Allen voted yes. Joe Romans made a motion to pass Ordinance 377 Authorizing the City to Make Main Trafficway Improvements; and Authorizing the City to Issue General Obligation Bonds in an Approximate Principal Amount of \$125,000 to Pay a Portion of the Costs of the Main Trafficway Improvements. Leonard Allen seconded, motion carried. Rebecca McClane, Debbie Dreasher, Joe Romans and Leonard Allen voted yes.

City clerk on behalf of Pride of Hoyt discussed the donation amount, help with trash and providing portable toilets for the Pride of Hoyt event to be held on August 29, 2026. Council will decide on this after discussions with accountant. Council discussed the July 3 event.

Attorney presented forms relating to sidewalk project. Those were an authorized signature form, Updated HUD Disclosure Report and Subrecipient vs Contractor checklist. Debbie Dreasher made a motion to approve signing the forms. Joe Romans seconded, motion carried. Council designated the city clerk, mayor and city council president as authorized signatures. Joe Romans made a motion to fill out the forms and authorized signatures for the project moving forward. Rebecca McClane seconded, motion carried.

City clerk noted the Haymaker license has been renewed.

City clerk noted Kenny Bryan had signed off the updated Foley generator contracts. He had asked the mobile generator to be removed from the agreements and be serviced on an as needed basis. As such, the costs decreased from the previous contracts. The 3 year pricing is \$2496.20/year.

City clerk presented the monthly financial report. Clerk had discussed other possible funding sources for the sidewalk project with the accountant but he had reported those sources would not be an option for the project. Council discussed the budget outlook for 2026. Accountant will be attending next meeting to discuss 2027 budget.

Chief of Police Adam Schafer presented the monthly police report. Schafer discussed the silver police car is now in need of major repair similar to previous repairs done on the black police car. He noted Kansas Highway Patrol is no longer in a position to help us sell the black car and he does not believe we could get much for the silver car if we tried to sell. He noted Jeremy Andrews could fix the black car (instead of selling) at a fraction of the previously quoted costs. His recommendation would be to have Andrews repair the black police car and store the silver car to salvage parts and equipment as both cars are the same year and make/model. Clerk can check with Kenny Bryan to see if there is room at the maintenance yard to store the vehicle. Joe Romans

made a motion that the black police car will stay operational, and the silver police car will be placed in storage and approved a cost not to exceed \$2,000 at this time to repair the black police car. Debbie Dreasher seconded, motion carried. City clerk will contact the insurance company to remove the silver car from the policy.

Leonard Allen discussed needing additional equipment for the animal control officer and provided a list of needed items. Leonard Allen made a motion to approve the animal control officer spending no more than \$400 to purchase needed animal control equipment. Debbie Dreasher seconded, motion carried. Mayor Bell discussed looking at options for the dog pen area discussed previously. Leonard Allen noted if the panels are purchased he can build a dog house for the dog pen. Joe Romans made a motion to authorize the Mayor to spend no more than \$400 on a dog run/pen area. Leonard Allen seconded, motion carried.

Debbie Dreasher provided a monthly park report. The fire department was notified the new building in the park does not have electricity. Dreasher would like to look into costs to get the electricity hooked up again for the building. Clerk can ask Kenny Bryan for electricians and budget this cost for next year.

There was nothing additional to report on streets. Mayor Bell asked about the sewer connection that was discussed previously on the property purchased by Brad Reece. The property owner will need to submit a permit for his project. It was noted the City had agreed to pay for sewer connection costs, but the property owner would be required to pay cost of the water meter and installation.

Nothing additional was reported on water or community building.

Leonard Allen made a motion to pay bills. Debbie Dreasher seconded, motion carried.

Joe Romans made a motion to adjourn. Rebecca McClane seconded, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Shawna Blackwood
City Clerk