



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE QUIVIRA KANSAS
September 14, 2026
6:30 p.m.**

Governing Body Present:

Mayor David McCullagh
Council President Dan McCauley
Councilmember Julie Kurland
Councilmember Tray Vedock – via Zoom
Councilmember Chip Zimmer

Absent:

Councilmember Mike Pasley

Staff Present:

City Administrator / City Clerk Kathy Bounds
Deputy Clerk Audra Moore
City Attorney Michelle Daise
Building Official Charles McAllister

Visitors:

Carol Dengel
Jim Elder
Zach Maier

Call to Order

Mayor McCullagh called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor McCullagh led the pledge of allegiance.

Comments from the Public:

No comments.

Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing: The mayor closed the Regular Council Meeting and opened the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing.

- **Consider a Resolution to Levy a Property Tax Rate Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate.** After asking for discussion and hearing none, Mayor McCullagh entertained a motion. **Motion:** Councilmember Kurland made a motion that the council approve a Resolution levying a property tax that exceeds the Revenue Neutral Rate. **Second:** Council President McCauley Seconded. **City Clerk Bounds took roll call. Council**

President McCauley: Yes, Councilmember Kurland: Yes, Councilmember Zimmer: Yes, Councilmember Vedock: Yes. Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.

Budget Hearing: The mayor closed the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing and opened the Budget Hearing.

- **Consider a Resolution adopting the 2027 annual Budget for the City of Lake Quivira, Kansas.** After asking for discussion and hearing none, Mayor McCullagh entertained a motion. **Motion:** Council President McCauley made a motion that the council approve a Resolution adopting the 2027 annual budget for the City of Lake Quivira, Kansas. **Second:** Councilmember Zimmer seconded. **Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.**

Mayor McCullagh called the Regular Council Meeting back to order.

Mayor McCullagh welcomed Audra Moore as she officially began full-time employment with the city on September 14th as Deputy Clerk. Audra will continue in her role with Municipal Court and begin cross training with other office and administrative duties. City Clerk Bounds recited the Oath of Office and swore Ms. Moore in as the full-time Deputy Clerk.

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Meeting Minutes from the regular Council Meeting held on August 3, 2026.

Motion: Councilmember Zimmer moved to approve the minutes as presented from August 3, 2026, regular Council Meeting. **Second:** Council President McCauley seconded. **Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.**

Approval of the August 2026 Financial Report:

City Treasurer Noland provided the governing body with an overview of the August Financial Reports which were included in the agenda packet. With no questions or discussion from the governing body, the mayor entertained a motion to approve the financial reports. **Motion:** Council President McCauley made a motion to approve the August Financial Reports as presented. **Second:** Councilmember Kurland seconded. **Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.**

New Business:

- Consider the purchase of a 2024 Durango police vehicle through Kansas Highway Patrol in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.**

The Council received information in the agenda packet regarding the Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP) pre-owned vehicle program. Chief Owens advised that the vehicle has low mileage and will be delivered largely equipped, though some additional items will need to be purchased to complete the outfitting. He further noted that the total cost of the vehicle and equipment is expected to remain within the requested budget of \$45,000. This vehicle will replace the 2023 Hybrid vehicle which has had several mechanical issues and needs replacement ahead of schedule. Chief Owens noted his intention of moving away from hybrids and getting the fleet back on a three-year replacement schedule.

Motion: Councilmember Kurland made a motion that the council authorize the purchase of a 2024 Durango police vehicle from the Kansas Highway Patrol according to the discussed specifications, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000, payable from the Equipment Reserve Fund, and authorize the Chief of Police to execute all necessary documents to finalize such purchase. **Second:** Councilmember Vedock seconded. **Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.**

- ii. **Consider a Professional Services Agreement with the League of Kansas Municipalities to assist in modifying the City's Personnel Policy Manual for a cost not to exceed \$3,500.00.**

City Administrator Bounds provided an executive summary outlining recommended updates to the personnel manual. As the manual has not undergone a comprehensive review since 2015, she recommends engaging the League of Kansas Municipalities to assist with updating policies and procedures, ensuring compliance with current laws and supporting the City's evolving workforce and operational needs.

Motion: Councilmember Zimmer made a motion to approve a Professional Services Agreement, in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00, with the League of Kansas Municipalities, to assist the city in modifying and updating its city personnel policies. **Second:** Councilmember Kurland seconded. **Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.**

- iii. **Consider an Ordinance Amending Title VI of the Code of the City of Lake Quivira, Kansas Regulating Public Offenses Within the Corporate Limits of the City of Lake Quivira, Kansas; Incorporating by Reference the "2026 Uniform Public Offense Code (UPOC) for Kansas Cities, "42nd Edition.**

****This is a routine ordinance adoption each year to adopt the latest edition provided by the League.**

Motion: Council President McCauley made a motion to adopt an ordinance incorporating, by reference, the 2026 Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities, with amendments thereto. **Second:** Councilmember Kurland seconded. **Vote: 4-0. Motion Carried.**

- iv. **Consider an Ordinance Amending Title VII of the Code of the City of Lake Quivira, Kansas Regulating Standard Traffic Ordinances Within the Corporate Limits of the City of Lake Quivira, Kansas; Incorporating by Reference the "2026 Standard Traffic Ordinances (STO) for Kansas Cities, "53rd Edition.**

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Motion: Councilmember Kurland made a motion to adopt an ordinance incorporating, by reference, the 2026 Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, with amendments. **Second:** Council President McCauley seconded. **Vote: 4-0. Motion Carried.**

Building Official Report:

Building Official McAllister provided the council with a copy of the open building permits report, noting 31 active building permits. Four of those being new home construction, eight being remodels or additions and the remainder for various other permits.

SMAC:

No report.

Police Department Report:

The Council received the August Safety and Security Report in their agenda packet. Chief Owens reported that the Police Department experienced a substantial increase in enforcement activity during August 2026, recording 16 cases and 14 arrests. Officers issued 50 traffic citations with 67 total violations, noting speeding accounted for 60% of all violations. Holliday Drive remained the primary enforcement corridor, representing nearly 70% of violations issued. Holliday Drive remained the primary enforcement area, accounting for 46 violations (69%) of all violations issued during the month.

Council Reports:

Council President McCauley:

No report.

Councilmember Pasley:

Absent.

Councilmember Zimmer:

Councilmember Zimmer reported McClure successfully upgraded the Lake Level Monitoring system from its cellular data platform to the new cloud-based platform and it is now being monitored by a company called Elements 360, a subsidiary of AEM/One Rain.

Councilmember Zimmer advised that the City's KMIT workers' compensation policy will be renewed in January and he will continue reviewing insurance coverage options, providing recommendations if more favorable general liability alternatives become available.

Councilmember Vedock:

No report.

Councilmember Kurland:

No report.

Mayor's Report:

- The General Election is on November 3rd. Polls open at 7a.m. and close at 7p.m.
- Zoning regulations updates are approximately 75% complete. Next steps: proposed revisions will be reviewed by the Planning Commission and City Attorney before being presented to the City Council for formal adoption. Project completion is anticipated by year-end.
- Large Item Pickup (annual event) is scheduled for Saturday, October 24th along with a Shred Event in the Community Center parking lot from 9a. – noon. As customary, City Union Mission will have a donation truck in the community on Friday, October 23rd.
- Mayor McCullagh read and signed a Constitution Week Proclamation, declaring September 17th – September 23, 2026, Constitution Week.

Old Business:

None.

Executive Session:

None.

Adjournment:

Motion: Council President McCauley made a motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. **Second:** Councilmember Kurland seconded the motion. **Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kathy Bounds

City Clerk



Mayor: Quivira Inc., Q, Inc. Board, Lake Quivira Foundation, Police, Newsletter

Julie Kurland: Ordinances, Land Committee, Website, Tree City

Mike Pasley: Road Maintenance, Gas Station, Perimeter Aesthetics and Upkeep, Employee Performance Reviews, Goats

Dan McCauley: Building Requirements/Zoning, City Hall (Upkeep and Improvements), Waste Management, Railroad

Chip Zimmer: SMAC, Land Committee, Lake Preservation/Environmental Concerns, Insurance

Tray Vedock: Budget/Finance, Independence Day Fireworks, Youth volunteering, Spillway/Dam, Deer Harvest