

Approved Minutes of the City of Dighton
Regular Council Meeting held on June 9, 2025

Mayor Annita Lorimor called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Those present included: Janet Shapland, Marlene Rupp, Craig Doris and Eric Steffens. Also present were Attorney Dale Pike, Deputy Hailey Knoll, Tyrel & Rachel Hoffman, Alberto Chavarria, Steve Porter, Superintendent Craig Collins, Deputy Clerk Justice Rios and City Clerk Nicole Strobel. Kelly Bosley joined the meeting at 6:14 pm.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to approve the consent agenda and licenses, Councilman Eric Steffens seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Alberto Chavarria updated the council on the work at 315 S. High and would like some more time to continue the repairs, he will report back in September.

Tyrel & Rachel Hoffman met with the council regarding the Food Truck ordinance. Councilman Craig Doris made the motion to waive the fee on Ordinance #698 for the Hoffman's, Councilwoman Marlene Rupp seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Hailey Knoll with the Lane County Sheriff's office reported that they have hired a full-time employee who will be attending the academy soon and hopefully will be fully staffed by mid-July.

Steve Porter with KMEA reported that he had turned in his resignation to KMEA and would be done as of June 23, 2025.

Fire Chief Craig Collins reported that the vehicles being held by the sheriff's office will be used for training. Chief Collins reported they are waiting to hear from the Lane County Community Foundation on the purchase of SCBA'S for the fire department.

Superintendent Craig Collins informed the council that tomorrow is the final day for the trailer and mower listed on Purple Wave. Collins reported that they

are done with concrete work for the year. Street sealing will start July 23, 2025.

Collins reported that the lead and copper water samples are done and sent into the State and the missing street signs have been replaced.

City Clerk Nicole Strobel discussed the two different software's she had received information on.

Councilwoman Marlene Rupp reported that the tree at James and Wichita had been trimmed and looked good.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland mentioned that a sprinkler at the park looked to be broke. Councilwoman Shapland mentioned the grass clippings around the pool and on the pavement. Superintendent Collins would make sure the blower is used after mowing.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to move item C to B and item B to C and to move item F under new business to visitors, Councilman Eric Steffens seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Discussion was held on Mapping Software. The software company will present it to the council at the July 14, 2025, council meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the Law Enforcement Contract for 2026. Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion leave the contract as is for 2026, Councilman Craig Doris seconded, yeas by Shapland, Doris and Steffens, nay by Rupp, motion carried.

Discussion regarding the Implement Memorandum of Understanding was held, Councilman Doris made the motion to approve Ordinance #726 Mayoral Appointments, Councilwoman Shapland seconded, yeas by Shapland, Doris and Steffens, nay by Rupp, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Electric ECA charge, Councilman Eric Steffens made the motion to approve Ordinance #727 Electric Utility, Councilman Craig Doris seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the utilities for USD 482.

Municipal Software was tabled until more information was gathered.


After discussion the Capital Improvement Fund was tabled until the July council meeting.


Councilwoman Janet Shapland reported that the Master Gardeners would like to be able to replace the crabapple tree and remove the dead tree at the 4-way flower bed. They would also like to purchase a creeping juniper bush for the 4-way flower bed. Councilwoman Marlene Rupp made the motion to allow the Master Gardner's to purchase a new tree and creeping juniper bushes, Councilman Craig Doris seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

A discussion was held about an AED machine for the pool.

Councilman Craig Doris made the motion to approve the bills as presented, Councilman Eric Steffens seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Councilman Craig Doris made the motion to adjourn, Councilwoman Janet Shapland seconded, yeas by all, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.


Annita Lorimor, Mayor


Nicole Strobel, City Clerk