



**MINUTES OF MISSION WOODS CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, February 3, 2026**

The City Council of Mission Woods, Kansas met in regular session on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, in person at Westwood City Hall.

Call to Order

Erica Hartley called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmember Roll Call

Present:	Keith Mays	Absent: None
	Leslie Carto	
	Ramsey Mohsen (6:07 p.m.)	
	Paul Hartley	
	Dan Sweeney	
	Erica Hartley, Mayor	

Quorum was established.

Others present: Jeff Deane (City Attorney), John Martin (Treasurer), Chief Curt Mansel, and Mike and Kathy Henley.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Mayor Hartley asked for a Motion to approve the Minutes of the January 6, 2025 regular meeting. Motion to approve minutes was made by Councilmember Sweeney and seconded by Councilmember Carto. A voice vote was had, and the motion was approved, 4-0, Councilmember Mohsen was absent.

Review and Approval of Warrants

Mayor Hartley asked if there were any questions on the February Warrants. Councilmember Carto asked about the Mission animal control fee. Mayor Hartley responded that the City of Mission Animal Control is who responds if there are any calls in Mission Woods. She also shared the City pays the minimum fee. Mayor Hartley asked for a Motion to approve the Warrants. A Motion to approve the warrants was made by Councilmember Carto and seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. A voice vote was had, and the motion was approved, 5-0.

Review of Police Report

Counsel reviewed and discussed report distributed.

Unfinished Business

- **Exploratory research update for proposed Tree Board (Councilmember Paul Hartley)**

Councilmember Hartley shared his findings on his research for the proposed Tree Board. He stated he reached out to Rick Allen with the City of Fairway who is a right of way specialist. He also stated that Fairway has a very robust Tree committee. Mr. Allen recommended the Kansas Forestry Service. Councilmember Hartley reached out to Blaine Strobel the Kansas Forestry Service who works out of K-State, and he agreed to come and look over Mission Woods. Councilmember Hartley stated the service they provide is free and they make recommendations. He also introduced Tree City USA, which is run by the Arbor Day National Foundation. He stated there are a lot of reasons to join this organization as it is free of charge and you get access to their network. The requirements to join are (1) have a tree board, (2) have a public tree care ordinance on the books, (3) spend more than \$2 per capita on forestry and host an Arbor Day observance. He also stated he has exchanged emails with Mr. Strobel about coming and seeing what he offers and recommends for the City. He will let the Council know when that happens. Councilmember Carto asked Councilmember Hartley if Fairway pays for tree removal. Councilmember Hartley responded that they have a fund. There was additional discussion on funding, tree trimming, etc. Mayor Hartley asked Mr. Deane what steps need to be taken in order to form tree Board. He stated that an ordinance will need to be drawn up, providing for the number of board members, the powers to delegate to them, etc. In the interim we have an ordinance that adopts the basic General Kansas Tree Ordinance, which he will send to Councilmember Hartley to review before the next meeting. Mayor Hartley asked Mr. Deane to send it out to all the councilmembers for review.

- **KDOT + JEO Consulting Traffic Study Update**

Mayor Hartley shared the update from Steven Buckley, the contact at JEO Consulting on the traffic study. He stated he would give Mayor Hartley an idea of their recommendations at end of February. He also stated that nothing would be final until KDOT approves final report, which should be in March.

New Business

- **Proposal for 2027 CARS Project, Resurfacing State Line Road from 50th Terr to SMP**

Mayor Hartley asked the Council to review the Lamp Rynearson, which is the City Engineer, proposal. She shared that the CARS project (County Assistance Road System) is a program wherein the City applies for funding on road improvements. She stated that you would have to apply now for 2027 funding. For this project, the City would have to work with Kansas City, Missouri since they would have to fund half. Funding from the CARS project would pay half of the City's portion. Mayor Hartley stated she wanted to talk with the Council on this to make sure it was okay to proceed.

- **Appointment to fill vacant Architectural Review Board Seat. The mayor appoints Ian Beckman, subject to Council consent**

Mayor Hartley shared she wanted to appoint Ian Beckman to the Architectural Review Board. She also read Mr. Beckman's response to what relevant experience he had to be on the Board. Mayor Hartley asked for a Motion to approve the appointment of Ian Beckman

to the Architectural Review Board. A Motion to approve the warrants was made by Councilmember Mohsen and seconded by Councilmember Hartley. A voice vote was had, and the motion was approved, 5-0.

- **Mission Woods Holiday Party Scheduled for Saturday, November 7 at MHCC**

Mayor Hartley stated that they are bringing back the yearly Holiday Party and is scheduled for November 7 at Mission Hills Country Club. She also stated the HOA would contribute. Once she finds out what the HOA will contribute she will bring it to the Board to decide what the City will contribute.

Councilmember Carto left at 6:49 p.m.

Open to discussion from mayor, council members, and guests

Councilmember Mohsen shared that the Country Club Bank building has been purchased by Karbank.

Councilmember Sweeney shared that she received a notice from George Butler and Associates that they are replacing the sewer wastewater pipe from the Bank to the tennis courts on the Mission Hills side.

Motion to Adjourn

Having no further business, motion was made by Councilmember Mays and seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. A voice vote was had, and the motion was approved, 4-0, Councilmember Carto was absent. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.