

The City of Winfield met in regular session on Monday, July 14, 2025 at 5:00pm in the Council Chambers located at 115 N Locust Street with Mayor Willie Bender presiding. Council persons present: Brandy Smith, Jennifer Lemke, David Pieart, and Matt Hernandez. Council person absent: Randy Redlinger. Others present: Angie Oepping, JR Herrick, Dave Norcross, Scott Jennings, and Elizabeth Hernandez.

Approval of Agenda-Council approved the agenda by a motion of D. Pieart, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-3, Nays-0, Absent-2 (R. Redlinger, J. Lemke) Carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda – Bills and Minutes from June 11, 2025 council meeting-Consent agenda approved with the addition of two invoices for Northland Securities (\$550) and Madison National (\$220.12) by a motion of D. Pieart, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-3, Nays-0, Absent-2 (R. Redlinger, J. Lemke) Carried.

Departmental Reports-Electronic reports were provided to the council for review. Chief Jeff Dietrich has retired from the police department and Dawson Bergthold will be picking up some part-time hours. B. Smith stated that she has been working on a list of nuisance properties. J. Lemke stated that the cemetery control board has yet to meet.

Public Forum-No one available from the public.

Welcome Inn – Outdoor Service Area Liquor License (Crooked Creek Days)-Approved by a motion of D. Pieart, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Crooked Creek Days - Donation, Road Closures, & Pool Hours-A family pool pass will be included with the button drawing, Pool hours will be 1-5pm on Friday with a couple lifeguards working the snack shack during the events at Twin Lakes for CCD, and the following road closures – Locust Street from Ash to Pine, Pine Street from Locust to old PGSB drive-through, Ash Street from Locust to Olive. The aforementioned items were approved by a motion of M. Hernandez, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Resolution 30-2025 – Transfer Funds FYE 2025-Resolution approved by a motion of M. Hernandez, J. Lemke 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Resolution 01-2026 – Appropriate Funds for FYE 2026-Resolution approved by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Resolution 02-2026 – Setting Salaries FYE 2026-Resolution approved by a motion of B. Smith, J. Lemke 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Resolution 03-2026 – Authorizing Bid Process and Setting Public Hearing for Proposed Sale of 306 E Ash Street-Resolution approved by a motion of J. Lemke, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Resolution 04-2026 – Depositories-Resolution approved by a motion of J. Lemke, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Resolution 05-2026- Transfer Funds FYE 2026-Resolution approved by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Resolution 06-2026 – Approval of Agreement with Winfield Mt. Union Community School District for School Resource Officer-Resolution approved by a motion of B. Smith, J. Lemke 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Examination Recommendations – FYE 2024-A. Oepping reviewed the 9 detailed findings and recommendations from the Auditor after completing the city’s annual examination for FY 2024.

Old Business - 306 E Ash Property-The council reviewed the old business items that J. Lemke provided including parking in the front yard, nuisance properties, handicap parking at new library location and health clinic, tree removals, Lion's Club and trash receptables, electrical on Locust Street Poles, etc.

Mayors Comments-Mayor Bender stated that citizens have approached him about speeding concerns coming into and leaving town. He would like to look into flashing lights to place on speed limit signs or a radar sign. In addition, Mayor Bender had complaints of parking along 120th Street during ball season. Mayor Bender thanked Jen Lemke for stepping up with the organization of events for Crooked Creek Days.

Adjournment-The meeting adjourned at 6:57pm by a motion of M. Hernandez, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried. The next regular session meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 13th at 5:00pm.

Angie Oepping, City Clerk

Willie Bender, Mayor