



Abilene City Commission Meeting Minutes
Abilene Public Library – 209 NW Fourth Street
March 10, 2025, 4:00 pm.
Abilene, Kansas

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call – City Commission Present: Mayor Rein, Commissioners, Kollhoff, Witt, Miller (Zoom), and Meysenburg.

Staff Present: City Manager Marsh, City Clerk Mohr, Finance Director Johnson, City Attorney Martin, Parks and Recreation Director Timbrook, Fire Chief Strunk, Police Chief Hatter, Community Development Director Zook, Public Works Director Anderson, Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Roller-Weeks, City Inspector Steerman, Facilities Maintenance Alvarez, Street Maintenance Worker Sims, and Administrative Assistant Olson.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda

4. Approval of the Agenda for the March 10, 2025, City Commission Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Kollhoff, to approve the amended agenda, moving item 7b to the first item in the study session. Roll call vote: Miller YES, Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

5. Consent Agenda - Consent Agenda items are considered routine business items. The consent agenda can be acted upon by one motion unless a majority of the City Commission votes to remove an item for discussion and separate action.

a. Meeting Minutes for February 24, 2025, Regular Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Kollhoff, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Public Comments and Communications

- a. Public Forum:** Persons who wish to address the City Commission regarding items outside the agenda may do so when called upon by the Mayor. Speakers will be allowed a three-minute time limit.

John Kollhoff spoke against City Manager Marsh and asked for his resignation.

7. Business Items

- a. Consider approval of Resolution No. 031025-1, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS CREATING THE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY SHELTER COMMITTEE, AN AD HOC COMMITTEE, AND ESTABLISHING ITS COMPOSITION, PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES.**

Motion by Commissioner Kollhoff, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg, to approve Resolution No. 031025-1, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS CREATING THE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY SHELTER COMMITTEE, AN AD HOC COMMITTEE, AND ESTABLISHING ITS COMPOSITION, PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Witt YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Consider approval of a funding option for the Industrial Park Infrastructure, CCLIP 2026 Project, and the Recreation Improvements in the amount of \$9,150,000.**

This item was moved to item 2a on the Study Session.

- c. Consider approval of an Engineering Agreement with BG Consultants for Process Building Pump Room Settlement and Crack Mitigation Repair in the amount of \$65,250 plus expenses.**

Motion by Commissioner Kollhoff, seconded by Commissioner Witt, to approve an Engineering Agreement with BG Consultants for Process Building Pump Room Settlement and Crack Mitigation Repair in an amount not to exceed \$68,000. Roll call vote: Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

8. Items for Discussion

- a. State of The City**

Finance Director Johnson gave a presentation on the State of the City.

9. Reports

a. City Manager's Report

All department heads have met with Smart Insurance to review their respective policies. There will be a 5% increase overall (\$372,000 to \$392,000) accounted for in normal equipment movement. We did raise coverage on a few items:

- Police vehicle equipment
- Playground equipment
- Radios: for the new 800 mhz radios

Kyle will be presenting a dividend check for around \$28,000 this Spring.

As I mentioned at the last meeting, the City submitted its reimbursement request for the snow event on January 4-6 this year. Since then, we were notified that although KDEM was able to verify approximately \$1.923 million of eligible damages, the state threshold is \$5,552,593 for Governor Kelly to request a major presidential disaster declaration and will not submit a request to FEMA.

The Police Department has two more Flock cameras being installed this Wednesday for a total of six cameras covering Abilene.

The Spruceway waterline project is almost complete. KDHE will conduct water sample testing over the next couple of weeks before signing off on the project.

The Fire Department has received its 800 mhz radios from the county-wide sales tax.

10. Recess of Regular Meeting

a. Consider a motion to recess the March 10, 2025, City Commission Meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg, to recess the March 10, 2025, City Commission Meeting at 4:51 pm. Roll call vote: Miller YES, Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0. The City Commission Study Session will begin immediately.

City Commission Study Session

1. Call to Order – City Commission Study Session

The City Commission Study Session was called to order at 4:51 pm.

2. March 10, 2025, City Commission Study Session Agenda

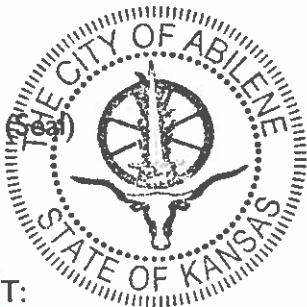
- a. Funding option for the Industrial Park Infrastructure, CCLIP 2026 Project, and the Recreation Improvements in the amount of \$9,150,000 discussion
- b. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) update and approval for upcoming projects discussion
- c. Energy Conservation and Capital Reinvestment Program RFQ discussion

City Manager Marsh read a statement to the City Commission.

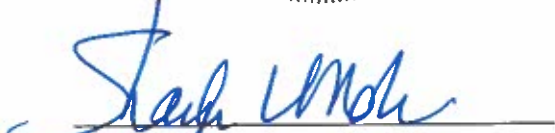
3. Adjournment

- a. Consider a motion to adjourn the March 10, 2025, City Commission Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Kollhoff, to adjourn the March 10, 2025, City Commission Meeting at 5:42 pm. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.



ATTEST:


Shayla L. Mohr, CMC
City Clerk


Brandon Rein, Mayor



Date: 3/10/25

**CITY COMMISSION
MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET
PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME & ADDRESS**

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2. James Price Airport Board-
3. Tony Geiger DKEDC
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