



**ABILENE CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
ABILENE PUBLIC LIBRARY, 209 NW FOURTH STREET
MAY 11, 2026, 4:00 PM
ABILENE, KANSAS**

1. Call to Order the May 11, 2026, City Commission Meeting

2. Roll Call: Mayor Rein, Commissioners Taylor, Kollhoff, Lytle and Meysenburg

City Commission Present: Mayor Brandon Rein, City Commissioner Cy Taylor, City Commissioner John Kollhoff, City Commissioner Amy Meysenburg, City Commissioner Debbie Lytle

Staff Present: Interim City Manager Quinday, Deputy City Manager/Community Development Director Zook, City Clerk/Human Resources Director Mohr, Finance Director Briand, City Attorney Martin, Parks and Recreation Director Timbrook, Fire Chief Strunk, Police Chief Wilkins, Public Works Director Anderson, and Administrative Manager-Community Development Olson.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of the Agenda for the May 11, 2026, City Commission Meeting

Motion by Mayor Rein, seconded by Commissioner Lytle, to approve the agenda with the addition of item 9d, a letter of support for Flint Hill Holdings for a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) application. Roll call vote: Taylor YES, Kollhoff YES, Lytle YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

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 the April 27, 2026, Regular Meeting
- b. Meeting Minutes for the April 24, 2026, Special Meeting
- c. Meeting Minutes for the April 27, 2026, Special Meeting

- d. Meeting Minutes for the May 4, 2026, Special Meeting
- e. Appropriation Ordinance A-051126-26
- f. AP Payment Register

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Lytle, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Lytle YES, Meysenburg YES, Taylor 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.

Jennie Hiatt, Chair of the Sister City Board, 907 N. Olive, presented the City Commission with a clock adorning Cherry Blossom Trees from Omitama, Japan, commemorating the 20th anniversary of Omitama's designation as a city.

Jennie Hiatt also introduced Harmon Geissinger, a Sophomore at Abilene High School, who was selected to attend the Sister City International Youth Leadership Summit in Washington DC. Harmon was one of only 50 students chosen globally. The Abilene Sister City Board is sponsoring Harmon's trip.

Harmon Geissinger, 1416 NW 2nd, spoke about the honor of being selected to attend this summit and some of the activities he will be participating in.

- b. National Treatment Court Month Proclamation
- c. American Legion and Auxiliary Poppy Day Proclamation

7. Executive Session

- a. I move the City Commission recess into executive session for ___minutes to discuss with legal counsel the pending *Kollhoff v. City of Abilene* lawsuit, based upon the need for consultation with an attorney for the public body which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2).

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Lytle, for the City Commission to recess into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss with legal counsel the pending *Kollhoff v. City of Abilene* lawsuit, based upon the need for consultation with an attorney for the public body, which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) to include the City Attorney and Interim City Manager. Roll call vote: Lytle YES, Meysenburg YES, Taylor YES, Rein YES. Commissioner Kollhoff recused himself. The motion carried 4-0.

The open public meeting resumed at 4:30 pm.

No action was taken in the executive session.

- b. I move the City Commission recess into executive session for ___minutes to discuss matters related to the hiring of a City Manager candidate, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), based upon the need to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel. The open meeting will resume in this room at ___p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Lytle, for the City Commission to recess into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss matters related to the hiring of a City Manager candidate, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), based upon the need to discuss personnel matters on non-elected personnel. The open meeting will resume in this room at 4:46 pm. Roll call vote: Meysenburg YES, Taylor YES, Kollhoff YES, Lytle YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

The open public meeting resumed at 4:47 pm.

No action was taken in the executive session.

- c. Potential public discussion and/or action to follow.

Mayor Rein made a public statement that, after City Commission deliberation, the City Commission has decided not to proceed with any of the city manager candidates in our current search with the League of Kansas Municipalities.

Commissioner Kollhoff read a statement to publicly state his disagreement with this decision.

8. Unfinished Business

- a. Consider Approval of Bids for the 2026 Local Street Project #26-2-LSP— Street Resurfacing - Public Works Director Anderson

Motion by Commissioner Kollhoff, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the bid from Vance Brothers in the amount of \$213,550.90, for the 2026 Local Street Project #26-2-LSP. Roll call vote: Taylor YES, Kollhoff YES, Lytle YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Review and Discussion of Bid – KDOT CCLIP Project No. 021 U-2504-01 (Buckeye/K-15 Overlay) - Public Works Director Anderson

9. New Business

- a. Consider approval of Resolution 051126-1, a Resolution Concerning License, Permit, and Other User-Related Fees of the City of Abilene, Kansas. - Interim City Manager Quinday/City Clerk/HR Director Mohr

Motion by Commissioner Kollhoff, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve Resolution No. 051126-1, A Resolution concerning License, Permit, and Other User-Related Fees of the City of Abilene, Kansas. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Lytle YES, Meysenburg YES, Taylor YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Review and Discussion of a Memorandum of Understanding with Dickinson County for Fuel System Use - Interim City Manager Quinday/Fire Chief Strunk

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Kollhoff, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Dickinson County for Fuel System Use. Roll call vote: Lytle YES, Meysenburg YES, Taylor YES, Kollhoff YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

- c. Consider approval of the purchase and installation of a flow meter at the Water Treatment Plant for a total cost of \$25,733.00. -Public Works Director Anderson

This item will be considered at a later meeting.

- d. Consider approval of a Letter of Support for Flint Hill Holdings for a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) application for Sunflower Hotel Revitalization.

Motion by Mayor Rein, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg, to approve a letter of support for Flint Hill Holdings for a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) application for Sunflower Hotel Revitalization. Roll call vote: Meysenburg YES, Taylor YES, Lytle YES, Rein YES. Commissioner Kollhoff recused himself. The motion carried 4-0.

10. Adjournment of Regular Meeting


- a. Consider a motion to adjourn the May 11, 2026, City Commission Meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, due to the Memorial Day Holiday.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Lytle to adjourn at 5:15 pm. Roll call vote: Taylor YES, Kollhoff YES, Lytle YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

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Brandon Rein, Mayor


Shayla L. Mohr, CMC City Clerk



Date: 5/11/24

CITY COMMISSION
MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET
PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME & ADDRESS

1. Irene Bender 404 Hillside ST
2. JINDA VINCENT 1605 NW 4th ST
3. Betty Bowers 223 NE 7th ST
4. Joetta Rosalez 711 S. Buckeye
5. _____
6. Eddie Avingor 209 NE 12th ST. - Cdr Post 39 Legion
7. Bladen Jenkins 209 NE 12th ST.
8. Harmon Geissinger 1416 NW 2nd Street
9. BONNIE FUNK 3025 FAIR RD AMER LEG AUX
10. Ronna Larson 180 Junnit St JL, KS
11. Laura Viar CG, KS
12. Natalie Munato Driving Dickinson County
13. Chrystal Plpps
14. Sandy Rein
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