

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

March 3, 2026

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026 with Mayor Terry Butler presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Terry Butler, Sam Yoskowitz, Pat Landes, Richard Pinaire, & Kelly Niemczyk. Staff present was: City Manager Zimmerman, City Clerk Diaz Lorenzo De Barreto, Finance Director Wilcox, and City Attorney Stites.

AGENDA ITEMS COMMENT(S):

N/A

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Yoskowitz moved to approve seconded by Commissioner Pinaire to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Landes, Pinaire, Butler, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- a. Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-5 dated February 17 – March 04, 2026, in the amount of \$5,614,729.13.
- b. Consideration of the Derby Days Special Event taking place on May 2nd, 2026.
- c. Consideration of Payroll No. 3 & Payroll No. 4.
- d. Consideration of the February 17th, 2026 City Commission Meeting Minutes.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the \$10,000 entertainment request for the Juneteenth Celebration, seconded by Commissioner Landes. Ayes: Landes, Pinaire, Butler, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- b. Commissioner Yoskowitz moved to approve the one-time \$41,310 request by The Restoration Center Inc. to use Opioid Funds to assist in providing medicated assistance treatment, seconded by Commissioner Niemczyk. Ayes: Landes, Butler, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Abstain: Pinaire. Motion carried.

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- c. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve a one-time donation of \$14,400 for Magdalene's Project's rent for one year at their new location on 7th Street, seconded by Commissioner Yoskowitz.

Jodi Mason said she could not accept due to other avenues of donations she may be receiving in the future.

City Attorney Stites stated he will contact Mrs. Mason to ensure her request fits under the Kansas Fights Addiction Funds.

Commissioner Pinaire withdrew his motion.

Commissioner Yoskowitz withdrew her motion.

The city will bring this item back to the commission at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Commissioner Butler declared April 20th-25th, 2026, as the Week of Community Cleanup.
- b. Commissioner Niemczyk moved to approve Ordinance No. S-3327, final plat on properties with a common address 00000 East Chestnut Street, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire. Ayes: Landes, Pinaire, Butler, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c. Commissioner Landes moved to approve the agreements to further the Commercial Rehabilitation (CDBG) Grant as it pertains to Highwind Brewery, seconded by Commissioner Niemczyk. Ayes: Landes, Pinaire, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Abstain: Butler. Motion carried.
- d. & e.

The City will bring back the Personnel Policy at a later date.

Commissioner Niemczyk moved to approve Ordinance No. R-3128, updating portions of the personnel policy handbook concerning ay periods, holidays, & leave accruals, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire. Ayes: Landes, Pinaire, Butler, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- f. Commissioner Landes moved to approve HDR Work Change Directive #120, to provide a conditioned air space for the elevator at the Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$29,298, seconded by Commissioner

Niemczyk. Ayes: Landes, Pinaire, Butler, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. The City will bring back the traffic study discussion at a later date.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rick Dykstra, Milford Township, Junction City Kansas, discussed his passion for the outdoors, history, and residents that Junction City has to offer and concerns.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Letter from Flint Hills Discovery Center.

MAYOR, COMMISSIONER & STAFF COMMENTS

Mayor, Commissioners and Staff provided reports on Committees and Community Events.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Yoskowitz to adjourn at 9:01 p.m. Ayes: Landes, Pinaire, Butler, Yoskowitz, & Niemczyk. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 17TH DAY OF MARCH AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MARCH 3RD, 2026.


~~Mariana Diaz Lorenzo De Barreto, City Clerk~~

MAYBEN MULLER, DEPUTY CITY CLERK


Terry Butler, Mayor