

TOWN OF KIOWA MINUTES
FOR REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

FEBRUARY 26, 2026 @ 7:00 P.M.

OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PWA MEETING

AT THE KIOWA CITY HALL

831 S. VAN BUREN ST. KIOWA, OKLAHOMA 74553

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: M. Sexton-present, J. Ray-present, T. S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-present and D. Drake-present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: On a motion duly made by J. Ray and seconded by T. Horn, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the previous meetings minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT: The Financial Report was presented and reviewed by Tracy Reed of RSMeacham CPA & Associates. T. Reed reported that through January 2026 Sales & Use Tax were approximately \$31,000 above budget projections; and, Expenses are less than budget projections. On a motion duly made by T. Horn and seconded by J. Ray, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the Financial Report.

APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASES: The Purchases Report was presented and reviewed by Tracy Reed of RSMeacham CPA & Associates. On a motion duly made by J. Ray and seconded by T. Horn, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the Purchases Report.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: T. Whitfield reported that there were semi-major water leaks (one at the

sewer lagoons) that have been repaired. He further reported that of the 30 plus meters that were not reading most have been repaired. Maintenance also installed 10 culverts and that service is being maintained on the Maintenance Department vehicles. Water meters have been replaced at the Community/Nutrition Center and the Maintenance Shop has been cleaned up and organized.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT: It was reported that there were two captures and one surrender of animals.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: J. Wilson reported that the Police Department had 709 contacts, 82 calls for service and 21 impounds.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: The Fire Department reported they received 20 total calls, 1 medical, 1 structure assist, 1 LP, 15 grass fires, 1 cancellation and 1 motor vehicle fire.

COMMUNITY CENTER REPORT: L. Goss reported that the water heater is leaking at the Community/Nutrition Center and appears to have ruptured inside. This item is under warranty and we should be able to recoup our money.

1. Discussion, consideration and possible action: Dobson Fiber Representative: Heather Durham. A representative from Dobson Fiber presented his fiber speed internet proposal to the Town Council. He noted that the cost per individual household would be approximately (on average) \$68.30 per month. He noted that another sales representative will reach out to discuss business access for the Town. J. Wilson will research to see if there is a possibility that the Water Plant can be added to this internet system. Should this matter be approved, the Gold Shovel event could be held in April and construction could start in May. No action was taken in this matter at this time.

2. Discussion, consideration and possible action: Set date for Easter Egg Hunt. On a motion duly made by J. Ray and seconded by T. Horn, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve hosting the Kiowa Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28, 2026 @ 11:00 a.m. at the Park.

3. Discussion, consideration and possible action: Schedule next Budget Meeting. On a motion duly made by T. Horn and seconded by J. Ray, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the next Budget/Workshop Meeting to be held on March 26, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action: Drug and alcohol testing policy for handbook. On a motion duly made by T. Horn and seconded by J. Ray, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the Drug and Alcohol testing policy for the handbook.

5. Discussion, consideration and possible action: Lights and sirens for donated truck to Fire Department: \$8,080.20/\$1,720.00 bed. The estimates from Emergency Vehicle Resources, LLC were reviewed by the Council. On a motion duly made by D. Drake and seconded by J. Ray, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the lights and sirens for the donated truck to the Fire Department as follows: \$8,080.20 for the brush truck lighting upfit and \$1,720.00 for the J & I Maxwell bed.

6. Discussion, consideration and possible action: Amend Town ordinance: Consolidate Town attorney and prosecutor. On a motion duly made by D. Drake and seconded by M. Sexton, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to table this matter at this time. J. Wilson will talk further with our attorney in this regard.

7. Discussion, consideration and possible action: Clifford Power contract for generators. J. Wilson reported that at last months regular meeting the amount of \$2,000 was approved by the Council for this purpose. After Clifford Power looked at all the 6 Town generators, this amount was increased to \$6,000.00 Under the contract, Clifford Power would service all 6 generators resulting in an annual cost of \$3,898.00. This would be a 99 point inspection and engine service on all 6 units. Further, our tornado sirens would also be included. On a motion duly made by D. Drake and seconded by J. Ray, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the contract with Clifford Power to service all 6 of the Town's generators.

NEW BUSINESS: J. Hasty reported that the Certificate of Deposit for the streets & alleys matures on March 30, 2026. However, with the purchase of the skid steer, \$121,706.88 of those funds will be needed to be transferred to the Town's street and alley checking account. On a motion duly made by D. Drake and seconded by M. Sexton, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried to approve the closure of the Certificate of Deposit for streets & alleys and said funds be deposited into the Town's street & alley checking account.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion duly made by D. Drake and seconded by M. Sexton, M. Sexton-yes, J. Ray-yes, T.S. Barker-absent, T. Horn-yes and D. Drake-yes, the motion carried adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

IF ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED PLEASE NOTIFY THE CITY HALL AT 918-432-5621, 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE.