

CITY OF CANEY
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Elliot called the regular City Council meeting to order at 6:30 pm Monday September 22, 2025 in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 100 W 4th Street.

B. ROLL CALL

Present:	Josh Elliot	Mayor
	Jeff Culver	Council, Ward 1
	Mike Holman	Council, Ward 1
	Kenith Butts	Council, Ward 2
	Lori Patterson	Council, Ward 3
	Elizabeth Burch	Council, Ward 3
	Becky Dye	Council, Ward 4
	Travis White	Council, Ward 4
Staff:	Andrea Sibley	City Manager
	Ike Dye	Police Chief
	Adam Lanter	City Cler
	Tyler Goza	Deputy City Clerk
	Nigel Flenar	Code Enforcement Officer

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Attendees recited the pledge of allegiance and Mayor Elliot led the invocation.

D. CITIZEN PRESENTATION/VISITOR COMMENTS

There were no requests to speak from the public.

E. REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

F. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

F.1 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2025, MEETING

F.2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXPENSE REPORTS (SEPTEMBER 5TH TO SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2025)

RH Services and Consulting	\$5,600
Waste Connections of Oklahoma	\$20,694.73
AWG #2290819	\$15,561.46
AWG #2294775	\$18,3446.35

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER PATTERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CULVER, TO APPROVE ITEMS F.1 AND F.2.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

F.3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MAIN STREET AUTO EXPENSES:

Invoice #009409	\$188.02
Invoice #2294775	\$258.37

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER PATTERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CULVER, TO APPROVE ITEM F.3.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

F.4 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL EXPENSES:

Approval of Payroll (September 11, 2025)	\$55,538.50
KPERS	\$10,319.78

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER CULVERM SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WHITE, TO APPROVE ITEM F.4.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

G. OLD BUSINESS

G.1 UPDATE DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF ZONING COMMITTEE – UPDATE FROM COUNCIL MEMBER PATTERSON.

Mayor Elliot stated that the Council would hold a workshop immediately following the conclusion of the regular City Council meeting to discuss applications for the Zoning Board. The results from the workshop will be on the next City Council meeting agenda for a vote and approval.

H. NEW BUSINESS

H.1 DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ADDING THE CITY CLERK, ADAM LANTER, TO THE CITY'S BANK ACCOUNTS AND GIVE HIM ACCESS TO THESE ACCOUNTS.

Mayor Elliot introduced the new City Clerk, Adam Lanter, to the Council and public.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH, SECONDED BY
COUNCIL MEMBER CULVER TO ADD THE NEW CITY CLERK TO THE
CITY'S BANK ACCOUNTS.**

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

H.2 DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROCEEDING WITH THE CONDEMNATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 203 NORTH STATE ST. AND AUTHORIZE CITY STAFF TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE STRUCTURE.

Code Enforcement Officer Flenar stated that on the August 18th meeting the City Council passed a resolution stating that the property owners had been notified that they had thirty (30) days to contact the City or begin making repairs. He confirmed that the City had not heard anything from the property owners in that time and that the City was now on step 10 of the condemnation process, passing a resolution to solicit bids for the demolition of the derelict structure. Which would be presented to the Council at the next City Council meeting. City Clerk Lanter added that he had mailed a letter via first class mail to the property owners informing them of the meeting tonight where their property was being discussed and that condemnation process was continuing. Council member Dye confirmed that City staff had mailed out a letter informing the property owners that they had been given the thirty (30) day notice and that the second letter had been mailed out as well. City Clerk Lanter confirmed that the letters had been mailed out and that the second letter was not legally required but was following a best practice to give the property

owners every chance to appeal to the Council. Council member Culver stated that it sounded as if City staff was going above and beyond to attempt to get in contact with the property owners. Mayor Elliot stated that they have been delinquent on taxes since 2021 and stated that the Sheriff's tax sales would kick in after the three (3) year delinquency. Council member Butts stated that as far as he could tell that there was a lot of good stuff in the property. Council members(s) Culver and Burch stated that the house was a safety hazard and posed a danger to the public and that the tax sale would not occur until August of 2026 and that the property would continue to be a danger to children and the public in the meantime. Mayor Elliot stated that if we wait until the tax sale, then we've wasted all of the time that we had spent thus far on this property in the condemnation process. He asked if we had a resolution ready for this? City staff confirmed that we had not composed the resolution yet. Council members reaffirmed they wished to proceed and have the resolution written in tandem with soliciting the bids.

COUNCIL MEMBER WHITE MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CULVER TO WRITE THE RESOLUTION IN TANDEM WITH SOLICITING BIDS FOR THE CONDEMNATION PROCESS.

MOTION CARRIED 6-1.

H.3 DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER NATHAN REINS REPRESENTING WARD 2.

Mayor Elliot stated that Nathan Reins had moved out of Ward 2 and that that was why he was resigning from the position.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER WHITE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CULVER TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER NATHAN REINS REPRESENTING WARD 2.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

H.4 DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CANEY, KANSAS ADDING ARTICLE 6, SECTIONS 1-10 TO CHAPTER 5, DEALING WITH TOWING AND TOWING COMPANIES.

City Clerk Lanter stated that the City currently uses towing providers but City staff thought it would be best to pass an ordinance to protect its citizens from predatory tow practices from tow companies. He also stated that the ordinance outlines best practices

for tow companies that would be operating and working with the Police Department including insurance requirements, equipment requirements, and protection of property in their care. Council member Patterson asked if they would have to apply to be on the list first to be contacted by City staff. Police Chief Dye confirmed that they would need to meet the requirements first and stated that he did not believe that anyone had been doing these checks. He offered to keep a list of approved towing providers to be contacted. Council member Burch added that this is good to bring up since a second tow company is coming to town. Council member Holeman asked if the document would also keep their insurance on file. Chief Dye confirmed that it would.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER WHITE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLEMAN TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2025-17.

H.5 EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RELATING TO PERSONNEL MATTERS, ACCORDING TO K.S.A. 75-4319 (1) FOR 20 MINUTES TO INCLUDE THE CITY COUNCIL, MAYOR, CITY ADMINISTRATOR, CITY CLERK, POLICE CHIEF, DEPUTY CITY CLERK, AND UTILITY CLERK.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CULVER FOR THE CITY COUNCIL, MAYOR, CITY ADMINISTRATOR, CITY CLERK, POLICE CHIEF, DEPUTY CITY CLERK, AND UTILITY CLERK TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:41 PM.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER PATTERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLEMAN TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 7:01 PM WITHOUT TAKING ACTION.

I. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

I.1 MAYOR – JOSH ELLIOT

1. The City Crews got the metal put up under the pavilion and the project is wrapping up.
2. Spoke with Atmos and the EPA today regarding the berm they were wanting to put in. Got in contact with one of the people in charge and got that stopped for now. Meeting with the EPA on October 1, 2025 to discuss options.

I.2 POLICE CHIEF – IKE DYE

1. Finally got in contact about the exhaust valve. If no further contact by week's end then they will move on to the second company to get their bid itemized for further consideration.
2. Gave appreciation to some citizens for allowing the Police Department to conduct training on their property.
3. Installed smoke detectors around City Hall.

I.3 CITY ADMINISTRATOR – ANDREA SIBLEY

1. Three grants coming due soon. They had some issues on submissions due to technical issues but the issues are affecting everyone.
2. The applications discussed last Council meeting are making headway and are on track.
3. ERP training with Randy Holler to increase transparency.
4. Switching water consumption from units to gallons.

I.4 CITY CLERK – ADAM LANTER

1. New look for the agenda
2. Business licenses being issued are full steam ahead. Need to get in touch with a few more businesses.
3. ERP training with Randy was a huge help in acclimating to Tyler Technology and showed me budgeting and account looking up modules.

I.5 DEPUTY CITY CLERK – TYLER GOZA

1. ERP training was very helpful and is confident that bank recs can now be done in house.

J. COUNCIL COMMENTS

J.1 COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH

1. A shout out to the city Crew.
2. Voiced concerns about a vehicle that is already in the tow lot that was approved without the property being fully secured.

J.2 COUNCIL MEMBER PATTERSON

1. A thank you to the county for mowing the grass up on Spears Dr.

2. The county needs to fix the road – a citizen that lives up off Caney Heights must drag the gravel back onto the road after rains.

J.3 COUNCIL MEMBER BUTTS

1. City Crew has been working hard.

J.4 COUNCIL MEMBER WHITE

1. Said he would get in touch with the County for City Heights road.

K. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLEMAN AT 7:22 PM.