

MAYOR
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CITY OF CARBONDALE, KANSAS
OFFICE OF THE
CITY COUNCIL

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Ronald Moeller

COUNCIL
Ronald Moeller
Chad Moore
Barbara Martin
Kevin Seals
Holly Hinck



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ATTORNEY
Tom Barnes II

Date: January 5, 2026

Time: 7:00pm

EMPLOYEES
Emily Bessette
~~Dustin Bretsnyder~~
~~Chief Seals~~
Ashley Madden
Jonathan Clark

Location: City Council Room, City Hall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Anthony DaPrato.

Minutes

Motion by K. Seals to approve meeting minutes from December 15th, 2025, with one correction, 2nd by Moeller, all in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment

None.

Council

New council members have taken their seats at the table. Mayor DaPrato nominated Ronald Moeller as Council President after discussion. Moore approved the nomination of Moeller being council president, 2nd by Hinck, all in favor, motion carried. All council member unanimously voted yes for Moeller as council president. Moeller is the new council president.

Zoning

None.

Park

Motion by K. Seals to approve Mayor DaPrato to sign the Community Block grant agreement, 2nd by Martin, all in favor, motion carried.

Police

Motion by K. Seals to adopt Ordinance 551-2026 adopting the Standard Traffic Ordinance with correction of dollar amounts added, 2nd by Moeller, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by K. Seals to adopt Ordinance 550-2026 adopting the Uniform Public Offense Code, 2nd by Moeller, all in favor, motion carried.

Executive Session

Motion by K. Seals to go into executive session for five minutes with the council, mayor, city clerk, attorney and Bretsnyder at 19:12, returning in the council room at 19:17 for nonelected personnel, 2nd by Hinck, all in favor, motion carried.

The council was in executive session for five minutes with no decisions made.

Motion by K. Seals to rescind the employment offer to Mark Starkebaum, 2nd by Moeller, Martin abstained, motion carried.

Motion by K. Seals to go into executive session for 10 minutes with the council, mayor, city clerk, attorney and Bretsnyder at 19:20, returning in the council room at 19:30 for nonelected personnel, 2nd by Hinck, all in favor, motion carried.

The council was in executive session for ten minutes with no decisions made.

K. Seals moved to hire Jacob Bellfield for the Maintenance II position at the rate of \$18.00 contingent on background check, drug screen, and insurability 2nd by Moeller, all in favor, motion carried. Bellfield accepted the position.

Maintenance

The waterline project started east of town and found that there is a lot less ductile iron than anticipated. RDR cleared the tree line on the east side of the highway and predrilled a couple places and found that a majority of the line was PVC. Office staff went through old maps and found a map from 1969 showing that the line was indeed replaced. Bretsnyder will spot check the line on the east side just to confirm what the map shows. There was discussion on if supplies had already been purchased by RNR and if they could be returned.

Barnes left the meeting at 7:36pm.

The valve for the water leak at the grocery store has been located. It had been asphalted over. Bretsnyder has been trying to locate 90s to put in.

Viking will be dropping the robot in water tower to check for sediment. The tower is overflowed at a minimum of twice a year.

The speed limit sign coming into Carbondale on Topeka Ave, from the north is unreadable. The sign is a county sign.

SCADA has been installed on the new computer for the water plant.

Burn Ban Resolution

Motion by Hinck to adopt ordinance 2026-552 adoption the Osage County Burn Ban Resolution, 2nd by Moeller, all in favor, motion carried.

Burn permits will no longer be issued by the City of Carbondale. All burn permits will go through Osage County.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council was at a consensus to do the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of each meeting before public comment.

Codification

The council was provided with a list of items in the codification that may need to be modified. The council will review the list, and items will be amended gradually as needed.

Moeller moved to adopt the Ordinance 2026-553 adopting the codification of ordinances, 2nd by Moore, all in favor, motion carried.

SFT After Prom

Motion by K. Seals to donate \$100 to Santa Fe Trail High School after prom, 2nd by Martin, all in favor, motion carried.

SFT Basketball Ad

Motion by K. Seals to run an ad in the 2026 Royal Valley Basketball Invitational official souvenir program for Santa Fe Train, not to exceed \$150, 2nd by Moeller, all in favor, motion carried.

Osage County Hearld

Motion by Seals to run an ad in the Osage County Hearly to congratulate the Osage County Soil Conservation winner in the amount of \$36.80, 2nd by Martin, all in favor, motion carried.

CMB License

Moeller moved to approve the CMB Licenses for 2026, 2nd by Moeller, all in favor, motion carried.

Jayhawk Software

The council would like more information from Jayhawk on what is being stored, that is warranting more storage space, no action taken.

Off Agenda, Follow Up, Notes and FYI

None.

Bills

Moeller moved that the council reviewed the bills, 2nd by Martin, all in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn

Moeller moved to adjourn, 2nd by Seals, all in favor, motion carried at 8:11pm.