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May 07, 2025

BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION 5-7-2025

City of Burlington Governing Body met in Regular Session at City Hall's address, 1013 N. 4th Street, Burlington, Kansas, at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 7, 2025. Mayor Luke called the meeting to order.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: ☒ Stan Luke, Mayor

Council Members present:

☒ Jerilyn Curtiss (President of Council)

☒ Maxi Berryman

☒ Cara Mays

☒ Lila Van Horn

☒ Nathan Strawder

☐ Martin Ernst

Superintendents Present:

☒ Kevin Boyce (Parks)

☒ Alan Schneider (Electric)

☒ Mark Davidson (Street)

☒ Mike Roney (Chief of Police) ☒ Danny Hawkins (Water/Wastewater)

Also Present:

☒ Anne Brown (City Clerk)

☐ (Administrative Assistant)

☒ Philip Wright (City Attorney)

☒ Jimmy Hugunin (Zoning/Grants Clerk)

☐ Kerri Weltha (Deputy City Clerk)

Media Present: Mark Peterson (Coffey County Republican)

VISITORS: Jeff Shamburg, Kathy Cole-Burr, Becky Petterson, Jay Hale, Bonnie Foster, Donnie Anderson, Victor Burr, Richard Messerly, Mark Ashley

AGENDA: Mayor Luke, "At this time, we'll approve the agenda for this evening's meeting. The only thing that I have to add to the agenda is under finance. Claims Ordinance 2025-08, \$324,076.07. We have two payroll ordinances we have Payroll Ordinance 2025-09, \$109,705.19, and Payroll Ordinance 2025-10, \$108,370.78. The three total to \$542,152.04. Are there any other additions to the agenda?"

Council Member Curtiss, "I move to approve the agenda as amended." Council Member Strawder, "Second." Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

MINUTES 4/16/2025: Mayor Luke, "You have before you the draft minutes of our regular session of April 16, 2025. Are there any additions or corrections to those minutes?"

Council Member Curtiss, "I move to approve the draft minutes of April 16, 2025, as presented." Council Member Strawder, "Second." Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

APPOINTMENT

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT: DISTRIBUTION Update

General: Electric personnel have been doing many line locates, customer service requests, tree trimming, shop maintenance, preventative line maintenance, street light maintenance, and vehicle and equipment maintenance.

Line Maintenance: Superintendent Schneider, "The men are doing line maintenance; they have been replacing some line anchors. Electrolysis has deteriorated those down to where they've broke, so we've replaced some of those."

Failure to Comply Letter: Superintendent Schneider, "I've also been—I guess I can talk about this; I don't guess it's a secret. I've been working on a letter for a builder that's working in the area, that's not acquiring their

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permit for wiring their structure where they are. I should have that ready to pass forward to Anne and Philip tomorrow. "

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT: PRODUCTION Update

General: Power plant personnel have been performing normal power plant and equipment maintenance, overcurrent relay maintenance, plant reports, DC power supply, and substation maintenance.

Midstate Energy: Superintendent Schneider, "We had Midstate Energy, which is now part of Kansas Municipal Energy Agency, to change some settings pm the control panel for Generator #6. We were having random issues of whether it be fifteen minutes or three hours of run time, it was tripping offline. Once it trips offline and goes into shutdown mode, we've got to go through the whole start-up process again. It's not a very quick procedure, plus, obviously, something's wrong. So, we had some adjustments made, and it appears to be doing as it should again now."

Reports: Superintendent Schneider, "We're working on the required plant reports, which are being completed internally within the power plant to keep track of all of our records."

KPP Membership Appreciation: Superintendent Schneider, "Lastly, I'd like to thank Lila and Anne for attending the KPP Membership Appreciation Dinner in Wichita on April 24th, which was held in conjunction with the KMU Annual Conference. So, thank you very much for coming out for the evening. It was nice to have someone else there." City Clerk Brown, "You're welcome."

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

WATER AND WASTEWATER: Distribution Update

General: Personnel have been doing the normal duties: line locates, work orders, reading meters, meter rereads, cleaning sewer lift stations, maintenance on trucks and equipment, attending safety meetings, customer call-outs, and concerns.

Failure to Comply Letter: Superintendent Hawkins, "Same as what Alan said, same builder. I should have mine done too, I've almost got it completed, for Philip tomorrow."

New Service: Superintendent Hawkins, "We did complete two new water service taps over in the 800 block of Kennedy. Very pleased with that, everybody got it put back together well."

Training: Superintendent Hawkins, "The men have completed their sewer books. And everything is sent in now to the School of Sacramento. So, I want to thank Laura and Kerri for getting that in the mail for us."

2026 Budget Meeting: Superintendent Hawkins, "I've been preparing upcoming June meeting for the 2026 budget needs for the water and sewer."

General Maintenance: Superintendent Hawkins, "We've just been doing a lot of general maintenance on equipment and cleaning, and organizing the buildings."

WATER AND WASTEWATER: Production Update

General: Normal duties. The plant has been running really well. Usage is normal for this time of year.

Yearly Maintenance: Superintendent Hawkins, "Air Compressor Engineering has come in and done our yearly maintenance on our screw compressor for the filters."

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Swimming Pool: Superintendent Hawkins, “We’ve also been working with Scot Jeffers at the pool; it is about 98% completed—it should be completely full by tomorrow. So, he’s been working really well with us on that, and we’re trying to get it full as quickly as possible, so it should be completely full by tomorrow. “

Control Panels: Superintendent Hawkins, “We received word from Tonka that the control panel that I’ve been talking about through the wintertime is completed, and they are shipping it out this coming Monday. So, we have scheduled with them—and I’ve contacted R.W. Vaught, our SCADA provider; they will be out starting on Thursday, the 29th at the end of this month. They’re thinking it should take them roughly three to four days. So, working with our electrician and working with the SCADA guys, we should have that done.”

Discussion: Superintendent Hawkins, “Other than that, me and Chris Hammond have been visiting with Jeff this afternoon, going over future coagulation process and plant procedures. Jeff is here as well to give his treatment update on the plant.”

Pretreatment Facility: Jeff Shamburg, “So I’m here tonight, more or less, to meet with Danny, and it worked out to be a council night. So, if there are any questions that you guys have—I’ll give a quick update. We’re continuing on the treatment project. We’re mostly engaged with KDHE right now in a back-and-forth process that they call a Waste Stream Summary Review. We’ve been engaged for a while with them on that process, it takes a while for them to work through. This basically allows them to work through each of the different waste streams that come off of the plant and talk about where it’s going, make sure it’s compliant with all the different regulations and different units of KDHE. As that gets completed, we’ll be ready to go to KDHE with the first package of replacements. Most of that package is maintenance and some equipment replacements inside the existing plant. And the following design packages, we’ll incorporate new stuff that we’ve been talking about for a while.

“So, the schedule is intact, we haven’t had any missteps or anything like that. We’re continuing to monitor that to make sure we’re moving along appropriately. Everything with KDHE right now is the sensitive timeline, and it’s continuing to move along—kind of slowly but surely. I think, Danny and I have talked, we’re probably in need to have a finance committee come together relatively soon to talk about funding needs for the project and start to understand what the alternatives are for that; how you guys want to proceed with funding and what those packages could look like with different funding sources or obviously that’s some other sources that you guys can support.

“I think that’s everything I have on my list. Are there any questions that I could answer?” Mayor Luke, “I think we’re set for now.” Jeff Shamburg, “Cool. Thank you, guys.” Council Member Curtiss, “Thank you.”

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Council Member Van Horn, “I’ve noticed that you often say you do re-reads, is that what you do when people complain their bills are wrong, or what is it?” Superintendent Hawkins, “No, re-reads is like when the homeowner says, ‘Hey, I think my bill’s high.’ We’ll get a work order from City Hall, and we’ll go out and re-read the meter, and then we give it to Laura, and then they go through whatever the process is that City Hall needs.” Council Member Van Horn, “Okay.” Superintendent Hawkins, “That’s what re-read is.” Council Member Van Horn, “That’s what I thought it sounded like, but...”

Superintendent Schneider, “And that will happen on the electric side as well, even with our Automatic Metering Infrastructure. Sometimes the radio communications will fail—it might be an issue locally with weather or whatever, and/or the people that host ours. So, we’ll go out and do the same thing on occasion.” City Clerk Brown, “It also is, Laura has a reading that she looks at every month, and if it looks high to her or if it looks off, she will send it out for a re-read just to check it to make sure it is correct.” Council Member Van Horn, “Thanks.” Mayor Luke, “Okay.”

STREET DEPARTMENT: Update

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General: Personnel have been doing the normal duties: cleaning ditches, sweeping curb and gutter, fixing potholes and ruts, blading rock roads, repairing and re-rocking alleys, tree trimming, fixing and replacing street signs, and truck and equipment maintenance.

Install Culverts: Superintendent Davidson, “We’ve had several requests to install driveway culverts.”

Road Patching: Superintendent Davidson, “We did the patch down on 4th and Neosho where the water leak was. We replaced the asphalt, and then we restriped it. We also fixed a patch down at 3rd and Alleghany from a water leak.” Superintendent Hawkins, “And thank you, I’m grateful for that, thank you, Mark.” Superintendent Davidson, “Yes, sir, you’re welcome.”

Weed Removal: Superintendent Davidson, “We’re getting the equipment ready to do some spring spraying for weeds.”

Hauling: Superintendent Davidson, “We’ve been hauling in base rock and some ditch liner.”

Ditch Liner: Superintendent Davidson, “We put about three-quarters of a block of 4-inch ditch lining over on Cumberland from 8th to 9th.”

Tire Failure: Superintendent Davidson, “We had bought some rock from out at the Wolf Creek Quarry, we were hauling in yesterday, and we had a front tire failure on our 2014 Peterbilt. There was damage to the hood, fender, and headlight assembly. So, I made a claim to the insurance company; they got back to me today, and I sent them some photographs. Unfortunately, the hood and everything are one piece, and what we found online so far is approximately \$8,000 and another \$1,000 for the fender, so that’s the reason why we decided to turn that into the insurance. We do have, I believe, a \$3,000 deductible.” City Clerk Brown, “I think it’s \$5,000 on the big equipment.”

Superintendent Davidson, “Okay. I did contact the body shop over at Richmond, and they’re not capable of handling large trucks. Their suggestion was, if we decided to pay out of city pocket, we get the hood and bring it over to them. They paint it, and we install it on our truck. When I talked to the adjuster this afternoon, he didn’t think that was a viable option, so, just kind of keeping you updated on that.”

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Update

General: Chief Roney, “Normal duties.”

Activities/Cases: Chief Roney, “Officers have been working on multiple cases. They’ve responded to domestics, theft of property, took criminal damage reports, and made multiple arrests on disorderly conduct disputes. Along with multiple traffic stops, assist citizens, med calls, neighbor disputes, and assisted on the fire call last night.”

DEA National Drug Takeback Program: Chief Roney, “We did the DEA National Drug Takeback Program. Turned in 164 pounds of medication; it’s a good program.”

Nuisance Properties: Chief Roney, “Trash pickup has come and gone. I’ve been out with Jimmy and Councilwoman Maxi and evaluated some properties. Officers and myself will be starting on the new list of properties as well as the ongoing list that needs attention, included in this is numerous unregistered vehicles. I also have a list of houses that need to be condemned that we need to start looking into.”

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Personnel – Recommendation to Hire

Chief Roney, “On April 29, 2025, myself and the police committee conducted an interview on an applicant. I would like to offer the open police officer position to Dustin Shepard on the recommendation of the police committee, with the starting wage of \$21.47. Dustin can start his employment with us, if chosen, May 12, 2025.”

Council Member Berryman, “I move to extend an offer of employment to Dustin Shepard for the position of Police Officer at the starting hourly wage of \$21.47, effective May 12, 2025.” Council Member Van Horn,

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“I second the motion.” Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

Mayor Luke, “You can welcome Dustin aboard.” Chief Roney, “I will, thank you.”

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

Council Member Curtiss, “When do the new officers go to school?” Chief Roney, “So, looking at that today, I looked at the list—we got Mark enrolled, waiting on information. We’re kind of looking at it. I believe the next training starts on the 12th, and then the next one after that is June 2nd. So, June 2nd—we’ll probably send them both at the same time. Get it done and out of the way.” Council Member Curtiss, “Okay, that’s good.”

PARKS DEPARTMENT: Update

General: Personnel have been doing the normal duties: cleaning public restrooms and buildings, and building and equipment maintenance.

Mowing: Superintendent Boyce, “Short and sweet. Mowing and spraying grass and weeds.”

Arbor Day: Superintendent Boyce, “Tomorrow evening we’re planting a tree at Jones Park.”

Beautification Project: Superintendent Boyce, “Next Wednesday is flower planting downtown, if anyone feels like they would like to help with that.”

FINANCE: Claims Ordinance & Payroll Ordinance

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| a. | Claims Ordinance | 2025-08 | \$ | <u>324,076.07</u> |
| b. | Payroll Ordinance | 2025-09 | \$ | <u>109,705.19</u> |
| c. | Payroll Ordinance | 2025-10 | \$ | <u>108,370.78</u> |
| | TOTAL | | \$ | <u>542,152.04</u> |

CLAIMS 2025-07: Council Member Curtiss moved to approve City of Burlington Claims Ordinance 2025-08 for the amount of \$324,076.07 for payment of city bills. Council Member Strawder gave the second. City Clerk Brown, “The larger expenses we have tonight are BHG Development, LLC for \$16,150.45, and Core & Main for \$4,258.57. Department of Commerce Community Development for \$130,379.02, and what that is, a lot of you probably aren’t aware, we had a CDBG loan program that went through the state, and the state has recalled those, and we had to return the money to them. Because they’re underutilized, it was very difficult for the applicants to even be able to apply and to track them. So, they recalled all of that and will disperse that money elsewhere. Kansas Municipal Energy Agency for \$4,729.59, Machine Shed for \$3,038.08, and Stanion Wholesale for \$7,003.98.” Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke instructed City Clerk Brown to poll Council for a vote. Mayor Luke declared, “Claims Ordinance 2025-08 passed, 5:0.”

PAYROLL 2025-09: Council Member Curtiss moved to approve City of Burlington Payroll Ordinance 2025-09 in the amount of \$109,705.19, as presented. Council Member Strawder gave the second. Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke instructed City Clerk Brown to poll Council for a vote. Mayor Luke declared, “Payroll Ordinance 2025-09 passed, 5:0.”

PAYROLL 2025-10: Council Member Curtiss moved to approve City of Burlington Payroll Ordinance 2025-10 in the amount of \$108,370.78, as presented. Council Member Strawder gave the second. Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke instructed City Clerk Brown to poll Council for a vote. Mayor Luke declared, “Payroll Ordinance 2025-10 passed, 5:0.”

PLANNING & ZONING: Update

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Nuisance: Grass/Weeds Update: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "I've been busy with yards. I've got quite a substantial list, and I've got three right now that I am typing up 10-day letters to send out tomorrow."

Webpage & Facebook: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "I've been updating the webpage and Facebook."

Permits: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "I've issued several permits this week, and last week."

Arbor Day: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "Reminder, like Kevin said, Arbor Day tomorrow, May 8th, at Jones Park at 5:30 p.m."

Council Room Windows: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "The windows, he called me right at five, but the phone call got cut off because the phones shut off right at five. But it sounds like he'll be here Friday." Council Member Curtiss, "Okay, thank you."

LEGAL DEPARTMENT: Update

General: Attorney Wright, "Normal duties for me, other than what we'll cover in the executive session."

LEGAL DEPARTMENT: Mayor's 2025 Annual Appointments

Mayor Luke, "At this time, we will go into the appointments. So, I will go through them in the order I have them in, nothing in particular, it's just the order that I have them written down."

1. **City Clerk:** Mayor Luke, "We need a motion to ratify the appointment of City Clerk, Anne C. Brown."

Council Member Curtiss, "I move that we ratify the Mayor's annual appointment for City Clerk to be Anne C. Brown, from May 7, 2025, through the first meeting of the City Council in May 2026." Council Member Mays, "I second it." Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

2. **Chief of Police:** Mayor Luke, "We need a motion to ratify the appointment of Chief of Police, Michael L. Roney."

Council Member Curtiss, "I move that we ratify the Mayor's annual appointment of Chief of Police to be Michael L. Roney, from May 7, 2025, through the first meeting of the City Council in May 2026." Council Member Van Horn, "I second it." Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

3. **Electric Superintendent:** Mayor Luke, "We need a motion to ratify the appointment of Electric Superintendent, Alan Schneider."

Council Member Strawder, "I make a motion that we ratify the Mayor's annual appointment of Electric Superintendent to be Alan Schneider from May 7, 2025, through the first meeting of the City Council in May 2026." Council Member Curtiss, "I second it." Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

4. **Parks Superintendent:** Mayor Luke, "We need a motion to ratify the appointment of Parks Superintendent to be Kevin Boyce."

Council Member Strawder, "I make a motion to ratify the Mayor's annual appointment for Parks Superintendent to be Kevin Boyce from May 7, 2025, through the first meeting of the City Council in May 2026." Council Member Curtiss, "I second it." Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

5. **Water & Wastewater Superintendent:** Mayor Luke, "We need a motion to ratify the appointment of Water and Wastewater Superintendent to be Danny Hawkins."

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Council Member Strawder, "I make a motion to ratify the Mayor's annual appointment for Water and Wastewater Superintendent to be Danny Hawkins from May 7, 2025, through the first meeting of the City Council in May 2026." Council Member Curtiss, "I second it." Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

6. Street Superintendent: Mayor Luke, "We need a motion to ratify the appointment of Street Superintendent to be Mark Davidson."

Council Member Curtiss, "I make a motion to ratify the Mayor's annual appointment for Street Superintendent to be Mark Davidson from May 7, 2025, through the first meeting of the City Council in May 2026." Council Member Van Horn, "I second it." Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

7. All Other Appointments of Boards, Officers, and Committees: Mayor Luke, "Now we need a motion to ratify all other appointments for Boards, Officers, and Committees."

Council Member Curtiss, "I will make a motion to ratify the Mayor's Annual Appointments of all other Boards, Officers, and Committees from May 7, 2025, through the first meeting of the City Council in May 2026." Council Member Strawder, "I second it."

Council Member Curtiss, "Okay, so some of these blank ones, who is responsible for filling those in?" Mayor Luke, "We had some people that passed away or moved, and they will fill positions and bring them back to us." Council Member Curtiss, "The commissions themselves?" Mayor Luke, "Yes. They will bring them back to us, and we will vote on them at that point." Council Member Strawder, "What all is included in that? Because I see what's motion numbers seven and eight?" Mayor Luke, "Seven is to ratify all of the boards, officers, and committees, and then eight was to ratify all the motions as well."

Council Member Strawder, "Okay, so, again, I think I mentioned it last year, but we don't have anyone listed under the plumbing examining board." Mayor Luke, "Right, we have no licensed plumber interested in the city at this point in time. If we had one, then that would be the committee." Council Member Strawder, "I think that's something we probably should be working towards. Same with the parts for the two inspector positions, as they were blank also." Council Member Mays, "The plumbing and electric?" Mayor Luke, "Yeah." Council Member Strawder, "Again, it's if we have this, then we ought to be working towards filling them." Mayor Luke, "We don't have any at this time."

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

===== The following motion is to include all the Board Appointments =====

8. Ratify all Appointments inclusively: Mayor Luke, "Now, we need a motion to ratify the Mayor's Annual Appointments."

Council Member Curtiss, "I make a motion to ratify the Mayor's Annual Appointments for 2025, from May 7, 2025, through the first Council meeting in May 2026, as presented." Council Member Strawder, "I second the motion." Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT: Update

Municipal Court: Mayor Luke, "Anything on city court, Philip?" City Attorney Wright, "Nothing unusual. Well, I don't know that I should say that—nothing out of the ordinary." Mayor Luke, "Okay, nothing out of the ordinary, okay."

CITY CLERK: Update

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General: City Hall staff have been busy with customers paying utility bills, many calls and inquiries, preparing work orders, vouchers for bill paying, payroll, and council meeting minutes.

Kansas Set-off Program: City Clerk Brown, "For April, we will send \$1,847.35 in delinquent utility accounts to the Kansas Set-off Program for collections."

ARPA Annual Reporting: City Clerk Brown, "I did complete the ARPA Project Annual Reporting. We are finished with all of our ARPA funds, all of that has been expensed, and we've done their reporting; which their site is a nightmare, but we got through it."

Kansas Department of Commerce: City Clerk Brown, "I did meet with Anne from the Kansas Department of Commerce in April on the CDBG Loans and the discontinuing of that program."

2026 Budget: City Clerk Brown, "I have started working on the 2026 budget."

Auditors: City Clerk Brown, "The auditors will be on site tomorrow. They have dwindled it down to one day. They know we have court tomorrow, too, so they'll work to get that done and out of the way." City Attorney Wright, "That might be unusual." City Clerk Brown, "It might be, they said, if they still need to stay, they can move to the back, so we're good." City Attorney Wright, "They can hang out if they want, but..." City Clerk Brown, "It might be interesting for them."

Police Department Interview: City Clerk Brown, "I sat in on the Police Department interview process."

CITY CLERK: Personnel – Recommendation to Hire

City Clerk Brown, "Jerilynn, Kerri, and I conducted four interviews for the Administrative Assistant position here in the office. So, I would like to recommend that we hire Clarissa Foster for the Administrative Assistant position, starting at \$18.50 per hour with a starting date of Monday, May 12, 2025."

Council Member Curtiss, "I move to extend an offer of employment to Clarissa Foster for the position of Administrative Assistant at the starting hourly wage of \$18.50, effective May 12, 2025." Council Member Strawder, "I second the motion." Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

Mayor Luke, "You can also welcome her aboard." City Clerk Brown, "I will, thank you."

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Council Member Van Horn, "Did we have something with that HEAL Grant that we needed to deal with?" City Clerk Brown, "No, not tonight."

Council Member Strawder, "I do have a question on that thing the State recalled, that was a significant amount. How does that impact the budget?" City Clerk Brown, "It was in a fund all its own; it does not affect the general fund. It was money we had to keep separate for loans, as people would come to us to get one. So that does not affect the general budget at all." Council Member Strawder, "I didn't know if it was earmarked or anything in particular." City Clerk Brown, "For loans through the state."

LEGAL DEPARTMENT: Executive Session

Council Member Van Horn, "I make a motion to enter a 5-minute Executive Session for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship per K.S.A. 75-4319(b); to render legal opinion concerning litigation; with the Governing Body, Mayor Luke, City Attorney Wright, and City Clerk Brown present." Council Member Curtiss, "I second the motion." Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 5:0.

Entered 6:33 p.m. Exited 6:38 p.m. No action taken.

REPORT BY CITY OFFICERS:

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MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

Council Member Strawder, "So tomorrow is the Arbor Day stuff?" Mayor Luke, "Yes." Council Member Strawder, "5:30?" Mayor Luke, "5:30 at Jones Park. If Steve cancels because it's too wet, which they've done in the past every once in a while..." Council Member Van Horn, "I really wondered about that." Mayor Luke, "We'll send out a notification that it's been postponed to a different date." Council Member Strawder, "I have a board meeting at six, so that's why I was trying to make sure. I hope I can do both." Mayor Luke, "They read a proclamation and then they plant the tree."

City Attorney Wright, "Do you just plant one tree—a big tree?" Mayor Luke, "They plant a good-sized tree, and then they have a drawing to give away trees for people to take home with them to plant." City Clerk Brown, "So, it won't be done in thirty minutes, Nathan." Council Member Strawder, "The trees range from about that big to bigger. There were a couple of larger ones. I know we planted the one small one I got; it's in Westphalia, it's all full of leaves. It hasn't really grown any, but..." Mayor Luke, "It's got leaves. You don't have any deer around it, then." City Attorney Wright, "So what kind of trees?" Mayor Luke, "It varies. It depends on what Steve has at his nursery out there." City Clerk Brown, "So they do a drawing for a giveaway too, and those are the bigger ones, and he plants that for them." City Attorney, "That's awesome."

Mayor Luke declared the meeting adjourned.

Approved by Governing Body and signed by Anne C. Brown, City Clerk