

KECHI CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 9, 2015
7 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor, Ed Parker called the regular meeting of the Kechi City Council to order at 7:00 PM April 9, 2015
Council present: Debbie Jacobs, Margaret McCormick, Kevin Opat, David McConnaughay and Brian Adams.

Staff Present: Robert Conger, City Administrator; Andrew Marino, City Attorneys; Laura Hill, City Clerk ; Nicole Alvarado Bailey, Finance Director/Treasurer; John Blevins, Chief of Police; Theresa Morlan, Deputy City Clerk; Clarence Lundry & Jessie Clifton, Police Officers.

Visitors Present: Mitch Coffman, PEC; David Dinell of Ark Valley News; Betty Washington, Steve Gibbons, Leif MacMartin; Cassity Morlan, Dwight Boyce, Keller Williams Realty; Sandra McConnaughay, Naomi Fultz, Zack Edwardson, WAMPO

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Kevin Opat to approve the consent agenda. Second by Margaret McCormick.
Motion carried 5-0-0.

Consent agenda

1. **Approve minutes of March 26, 2015**
2. **Approve Appropriation Ordinance # 700**

C. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Kevin Opat to approve the agenda, adding introductions right after Public Forum. Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 5-0-0.

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. PUBLIC FORUM-None

B. INTRODUCTIONS

John Blevins, Chief of Police; introduced Clarence Lundry, newly hired full time police officer to the council.

C. KECHI CIVIC GROUPS/COMMITTEES

1. **Historical Post Office** –Naomi Fultz, said that the Tyvek wrap was flapping and needed to be stapled down before it blows off.
2. **Tree and Park Board**
3. **Chamber of Commerce** –Betty Washington, Co-President; congratulated the council members that were recently re-elected. Reported that the council toured Turkey Creek Weaving & the Kechi Candle Factory, new brochures are now available and they have installed new pole banners in the city.
4. **Fair Committee** – Naomi Fultz, Chairman; reported that the 2015 Fair would be the 30th anniversary of the fair. She also stated that she was losing some of the original members of the committee and this year would probably be the last for the fair unless someone was willing to take over the task. She would be willing to assist the new people until they get it going. She requested \$3,000 in support from this year's fair.

Motion by David McConnaughay to authorize the support for the 2015 Fair Committee in the amount of \$3,000.00. Second by Debbie Jacobs. Motion carried 5-0-0.

C. Mitch Coffman, PEC – Strategic Plan Review

Mitch Coffman, PEC presented the final draft of the Strategic Plan for the council’s review. He stated this is a working document for the comprehensive plan. Reviewed the Kechi Arts & Business Districts Redevelopment Plan that includes action items to improve the environment and grow the city. Council will formally adopt the strategic & arts & business districts redevelopment plans at the next council meeting on April 23rd.

D. WAMPO – MOVE 2040

Zack Edwardson, WAMPO representative presented the move 2040 plan to the council. The final plan will be approve by July 2015.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Real Estate Agreement – Change in Agencies

Dwight Boyce the city’s real estate agent has changed agencies and new documents need to be adopted to reflect the change. The new agency is Keller Williams.

Motion by Debbie Jacobs to sever the agreement with Crown Three Realty. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Motion by Margaret McCormick to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Keller Williams, Dwight Boyce agent. Second by Kevin Opat. Motion carried 5-0-0.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION- Attorney Client Privilege

Motion by Brian Adams to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing items deemed attorney client privilege for 10 minutes. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 5-0-0. The time was 8:10 PM

Motion by Brian Adams to go back into executive session for the purpose of discussing items deemed attorney client privilege for 10 minutes. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 5-0-0. The time was 8:20 PM

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. American Municipal Services Contract

Nicole Bailey, Finance Director/Treasurer presented a request for hiring American Municipal Services for collection on the unpaid municipal court fines. These fines are ones that have not been able to be collected by the court thru an exhausted processes. The collection agency does not charge the city for the collection but charges the responsible party for their fees.

Motion by Kevin Opat to authorize the Mayor to sign the Municipal Services Agreement contingent on the company provided liability insurance to the city. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 5-0-0.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Margaret McCormick to adjourn. Second by Brian Adams Motion carried 5-0-0.

The time was 8:55 PM

Signed: _____
Ed Parker, Mayor

Attest: _____
Laura Hill, City Clerk