City Council Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2026

The meeting of the Frontenac City Council, January 28, 2026 was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Steve Morrison. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Roll call was answered by Steve Morrison, Nick Hansen, Joe Martin, Tom Sighel, Karen Holland, LaDonna Pyle, and Kyle Smalley. Marc McCully and Pat Clinton were absent.

Also present was the Fire Chief, Police Chief, Building Inspector, City Attorney, City Administrator, City Clerk, Library Director, and Director of Public Works.

Pyle made a motion, seconded by Martin, to approve the agenda. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the council.

Minutes from the January 14, 2026 council meeting was opened for discussion. Smalley made the motion, seconded by Sighel to approve the minutes. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the council.

Appropriation Ordinance #1903 was opened for discussion.

Sighel inquired about the payment to Mid America for the demolition of 306 East North County Road.

A motion to approve Appropriation Ordinance #1903 was made by Sighel, seconded by Smalley. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

Condemnation Review – 403 N. Crawford

Building Inspector Ziesenis gave the Council an update on the condition of the structure and all the repairs needed to make the structure habitable. The Council had several discussions on how to proceed with the property.

A motion to approve demolition of the property located at 403 N. Crawford with a two-week delay for the property owner to remove the contents was made by Hansen, seconded by Martin. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

Condemnation Review – 406 S. Santa Fe

Zafuta gave the Council an update on the condition of the structure and asked the Council how they would like to proceed with the property.

A motion to approve demolition of the property located at 406 S. Santa Fe was made by Martin, seconded by Pyle. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

Executive Session

At 6:26 pm, Pyle made a motion, seconded by Martin, to recess into executive session for 5 minutes for Non-Elected Personnel of the Police Department. The session included the City Council, Mayor, Police Chief, City Clerk, and City Administrator. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

At 6:31 pm, the Council returned to regular session. Pyle made a motion, seconded by Hansen, to approve hiring Logan Scott as a full-time police trainee with the intent that upon reaching the age of 21 he will transition into the open sworn police officer position. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

Executive Session

At 6:32 pm, Pyle made a motion, seconded by Hansen, to recess into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney-Client Privilege regarding KDOT Contract Discussion. The session included the City Council, Mayor, Director of Public Works, City Attorney, City Clerk, and City Administrator. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

At 6:42 pm, the Council returned to regular session.

Executive Session

At 6:43 pm, Pyle made a motion, seconded by Martin, to recess into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney-Client Privilege regarding the 160 Sewer Negotiations. The session included the City Council, Mayor, City Attorney, City Clerk, and City Administrator. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

At 6:53 pm, Pyle made a motion, seconded by Hansen, to extend the executive session for 5 minutes. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved by the Council.

At 6:58 pm, the Council returned to regular session.

Old Business

Hansen asked for an update on the water tower.

Martin asked if McKay Street will be milled before paving.

Holland asked for an update on the abandoned vehicle ordinance.

Pyle inquired about the containers/trailers at Camptown and asked if they are required to have a permit for shooting fireworks outside of the date range listed in the ordinance.

City Administrator's Report

Zafuta gave an update on the following:

- Water Tower

- Sewer Plant Funding
- Sales Tax Election Open House
- 2025 Financial Report

Council Member's Comments

Mayor Morrison thanked Public Works for a great job clearing the streets in the recent snowstorm and for attending to the water tower in the middle of the night.

Adjournment

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Sighel, seconded by Smalley. The motion was voted on and unanimously approved by the council.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Attest:

THE CITY OF FRONTENAC ★ KANSAS ★ CRAWFORD COUNTY
SEAL

Jayme Mjelde – City Clerk

Steve Morrison - Mayor