



# MEETING MINUTES

## **PUBLIC INPUT:**

Chase and Katie Vise addressed the council during Public Input

- The currently run a gymnastics studio out of First Baptist Church youth room
- They have outgrown where they are at, and will need more space to expand their business
- They have been looking at properties to purchase and found one that would work for their needs
  - City of Parsons owned property located on Georgia Ave, South
- In their business plan, if they are allowed to purchase this property, it would include:
  - Gymnastic classes (currently 100 children are enrolled, and the waiting list has about 30)
  - Batting cages
  - Birthday party rentals
  - Proposed practice spots for DCMS and RHS cheer and dance teams
- All these ideas to help serve the community would be beneficial to the City of Parsons!

Mayor Boaz suggested the Vise's to contact Ed Milam's family (abandoned property adjoining to this location) to also purchase to connect both properties that will allow for rezoning to B-1. Upon recommendation from the city attorney, the city council can entertain an offer to sell this property and pass/approve this purchase with an ordinance with two readings and public hearing before final vote. Chase and Katie Vise will present a written offer to purchase this property before the next council meeting.

No additional comments were received.

## **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY THE RECORDER:**

Mayor Boaz called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Roll was called by the Recorder; Quorum established

### **PRESENT:**

Kevin Cagle  
Madison Cagle  
John Odle  
Dale Reynolds  
Linda Taylor  
Jimmy Lynn Walker

### **NOT PRESENT**

Marty Carrington

### **VISITORS:**

Lee Villaflor, City Administrator  
Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder  
Rick Wood, City Attorney  
Wes Woodward, Public Safety Director  
Danny Haynes, The Newsleader  
Charles Taylor, Decatur County Chamber  
Joseph Fisher, visitor  
Steve Fall, visitor  
Chase and Katie Vise, visitors



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## READING OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS BY RECORDER, FOR APPROVAL OR CORRECTION:

Motion: Kevin Cagle to dispense with reading of and approve previous meeting minutes

Second: Madison Cagle

Vote: Approved 6-0 (Marty Carrington absent and not voting)

## APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS THRU MARCH 2025:

Motion: Madison Cagle

Second: Jimmy Lynn Walker

Vote: Approved 6-0 (Marty Carrington absent and not voting)

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COUNCILMEN, AND OTHER OFFICERS

### A) COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

- a. The City of Parsons will be looking at advertising to have the timber cut at the Sanders Property, the new annexed property.
  - i. The city will need to decide on the specs to place in the bid request
    1. Will the city request: clear cut, clean up, level ground, stumps, tops, bare ground?
  - ii. The property is 31 acres, with about 10 acres needing clearing
  - iii. The city will look at similar bid requirements to mirror to decide on specs, and city attorney will review before publishing the public notice.

B) **PROJECT UPDATES:** Lee Villaflor gave an update on the current projects. TLM sent the most recent progress report and all council members received a copy prior to this meeting.

- a. ARP Sewer Project (Pipe Bursting): Construction is in progress and is currently estimated to be 70% completed. The construction company anticipates to be done within the next 45 days.
- b. ARP Water Plant Project (Drinking water): We have run into change orders and lines that aren't there, but it looks like everything is settled and we should be able to start construction soon.
- c. TAM (Tennessee Association of Museums Grant (Municipal Building Roof Replacement)): Roof construction has begun and in process of installing the new roof.
- d. TDOT (Multimodal Grant): per TLM, TDOT has not rejected drawings at preliminary (curb design, curb omissions at certain businesses), and foresees no issues moving forward based on no rejections to the submitted designs. TDOT now has ROW plans in review and will follow up.



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- e. 2024 CDBG (Passive Park): TLM sent us new schematics from the architect and will schedule a meeting soon to talk with architects and engineers. Environmental phase should be completed in June, then the bid process can start (projecting October or November).
- f. PHMSA Gas Grant: No new update
- g. SRF - 4<sup>th</sup> St Lift Station: SRF responded with "No significant finding impact". Per engineer that is a good response that means there will not be any environmental impact for this project.
- h. FEMA (2019 Hazardous Mitigation) Generator Grant: No new updates.
- i. USDA Truck grant: No new updates.

## NEW BUSINESS

- A) Approve First Reading of Ordinance 428 – An Ordinance of the City of Parsons, Tennessee adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending on June 30, 2026 and establishing a new tax rate for fiscal year 2025/2026.
  - a. Per Mayor Boaz, new tax rate will be \$0.50 at current property tax rate. Once new certified tax rate arrives, we will recalculate the rate, and lower if possible before final second reading vote.
    - i. Kevin Cagle made a motion to approve this ordinance as presented
    - ii. John Odle seconded the motion
    - iii. Vote by Roll Call: Approved 6-0
      - 1. Linda Taylor – YES
      - 2. Madison Cagle – YES
      - 3. Kevin Cagle – YES
      - 4. Jimmy Lynn Walker – YES
      - 5. Dale Reynolds – YES
      - 6. Marty Carrington – Absent, not voting
      - 7. John Odle – YES

## OLD BUSINESS

- A) Approve Annexation (Sanders Property) second reading
  - a. Resolution No. 05052025-01 (Adopt a Plan of Service)
    - i. Dale Reynolds made a motion to approve this resolution as presented
    - ii. John Odle seconded the motion
    - iii. Vote: Approved 6-0 (Marty Carrington absent and not voting)
  - b. Resolution No. 05052025-02 (Annexation Resolution)
    - i. Kevin Cagle made a motion to approve this resolution as presented
    - ii. Dale Reynolds seconded the motion



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- iii. Vote: Approved 6-0 (Marty Carrington absent and not voting)
- c. Ordinance 427 (An Ordinance to Zone Annexed Property)
  - i. Dale Reynolds made a motion to approve this resolution as presented
  - ii. Madison Cagle seconded the motion
  - iii. Vote: Approved 6-0 (Marty Carrington absent and not voting)

B) Discuss Grice Property:

- a. No new updates on this property.

## ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Madison Cagle. Second by Kevin Cagle. Vote: All Ayes

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Tim David Boaz, Mayor

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Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder