

**City of Edgerton, Kansas**  
**Minutes of City Council Regular Session**  
**April 23, 2026**

A Regular Session of the City Council was held in the Edgerton City Hall, 404 E. Nelson, Edgerton, Kansas on April 23, 2026. The meeting convened at 7:00 PM with Mayor Roberts presiding.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Donald Roberts	Present
Clay Longanecker	Present
Josh Lewis	Present
Deb Lebakken	Present
Bill Malloy	Present
Ron Conus	Present

With a quorum present, the meeting commenced.

Staff in attendance:      City Administrator, Beth Linn  
   City Attorney, Todd Luckman  
   Assistant to the City Administrator, Trey Whitaker  
   Assistant to the City Administrator, Kara Banks  
   City Clerk, Dusti Callahan  
   Public Works Director, Dan Merkh  
   Development Services Director, Zach Moore  
   Parks and Recreation Director, Levi Meyer  
   Finance Director, Karen Kindle

**2. WELCOME.** Mayor Roberts welcomed all in attendance.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda** (*Consent Agenda items will be acted upon by one motion unless a Council member requests an item be removed for discussion and separate action*)

4. Approve Minutes from April 9, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting
5. Approve Minutes from April 14, 2026, Special City Council Meeting

City Administrator would like to remove Item 5.

Councilmember Longanecker moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Lebakken to approve item four on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

**Yes:** Longanecker, Lewis, Conus, Lebakken, Malloy

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Councilmember Lewis moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Lebakken to approve item five on the Consent Agenda with the corrections of wording on Page 1 to Special Meeting instead of Regular Meeting. The motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

**Yes:** Longanecker, Lewis, Conus, Lebakken, Malloy

### **Regular Agenda**

6. **Declaration.** Council members had nothing to declare.

7. **Public Comments.**

Charlie Troutner stated he wanted to correct a rumor on social media by an individual that said the museum would be closing shortly, for good. He stated he is not going anywhere, and neither is the museum. Second, he commended the Facilities Technician, Rick Scholler, for doing a wonderful job on the outside of the museum. He appreciates Parks & Recreation Director, Levi Meyer, for working with him when he has a request. He is thrilled with the way it looks.

### **Business Requiring Action**

8. **CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR USE OF THE GREENSPACE FOR EDGERTON GIRL SCOUTS TROOP #5780**

Parks & Recreation Director, Levi Meyer, stated that The Greenspace is serving its purpose as a gathering place for the community. The Girl Scouts Troop #5780 would like to utilize the Conference or Community Room for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday or 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday from 6pm to 8pm. There are 5 current members, 3 kids and 2 adults. All members are Edgerton Residents. The group will complete all waivers and coordinate meeting scheduling with staff. The Troop Leader will be expected to inform staff of new members to the Troop to ensure the group residency requirements are upheld.

Councilmember Lebakken moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Lewis to approve Item 8. The motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

**Yes:** Longanecker, Lewis, Conus, Lebakken, Malloy

9. **CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE GREENSPACE OPERATIONS**

Parks & Recreation Director, Levi Meyer, stated overall member and day pass user check-ins are relatively balanced throughout the week. Staff identified only 4% of weekly traffic arrives before 8 AM during the week. The new proposed hours would be for weekdays 8 AM to 8 PM, and Saturdays 8 AM -5 PM, and Sundays 10 AM to 5 PM. This would eliminate about 16 hours of

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staff hours per week, resulting in a reduction in the staffing budget for the building. If Council approves, the changes would go into effect June 1, 2026. Residents make up roughly 52% of the total sales for passes. They have the majority of monthly (74%) and annual (93%) memberships. No changes are recommended to membership or day pass structure. As for rentals, The Greenspace was rented 45 times for various events, activities, celebrations, or meetings. Only one rental needed the required security due to alcohol. No changes are recommended for rental structure.

Councilmember Conus asked if there was input by citizens.

Mr. Meyer said most feedback is from people wanting later closing times on weekends.

Ms. Linn stated the data provided is the feedback on when citizens like to be there.

Councilmember Lewis asked if there is a particular season that is more popular, specifically if summer hours might be considered when kids are out of school.

Mr. Meyer stated the data shows density throughout the day does not fluctuate per season. During school hours, mornings and afternoons are usual. That time frame does not change much in summer, maybe just by the kids coming in by noon instead of after school. In general, there is more traffic in the winter months since it is colder out and there is less to do outside.

Councilmember Conus moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Lewis to approve Item 9. The motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

**Yes:** Longanecker, Lewis, Conus, Lebakken, Malloy

#### **10. Report by the City Administrator**

No Report from the City Administrator.

#### **11. Report by the Mayor**

Mayor Roberts wanted to address some social media questions about tornado sirens. A couple of years ago now, they updated how the sirens worked. It used to be if a tornado moved into a region, they set off sirens for the whole region. They have now moved that down into smaller zones to not have as many false warnings. Spotters are unique, it used to be the Sheriff Department and Fire Department scouting storms. Now you have YouTubers and influencers, which are probably the boldest spotters anymore. He recommended everyone have a weather radio and NotifyJoCo. There are a multitude of ways to get warnings. Mayor then reminded the Council of the future meetings.

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- May 12: Planning Commission Meeting
- May 14: City Council Meeting
- May 28: City Council Meeting
- June 9: Planning Commission Meeting
- June 11: City Council Meeting
- June 25: City Council Meeting

## 12. **Adjourn**

Councilmember Lewis moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Lebakken to adjourn. The motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

**Yes:** Longanecker, Lewis, Conus, Lebakken, Malloy

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm.  
Submitted by Dusti Callahan, City Clerk.

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