

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
JULY 3, 2023**

Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 3, 2023, at City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Weston called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Roll call as follows: Barney, Stewart, Atkin, Cathcard and Cavender. Reed, Shaffer and Kee were absent. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Brian Duncan, Police Officer Chris Bowman, and City Clerk Janet Thompson.

**AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED**

Cathcard removed Highway Speed Limit and Push Button Cross Walk on Main across Mary under Safety and Atkin removed YC Days Vendor Policies under Administrative. Cathcard also added approval of Ordinance 1170, Ordinance 1171, and Ordinance 1172 under Safety.

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Atkin to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES APPROVED**

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Barney to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2023 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**DAVID MORRIS-ATVS**

David Morris was present to express his concern over the number of passengers and ages on various ATVs, side-by-sides, and Golf Carts and the speed. He has witnessed numerous people holding babies on their laps while driving on Wilson street. He stated several times, had a vehicle been coming from the north or south on Grove, when people turn, they would probably would have been hit. He also mentioned cars and trucks also speed down Wilson not slowing down for intersections.

Council assured him that this will be looked at starting with the Wilson & Grove intersection. Discussions will be held on the safety issues concerning ATVs of all kinds and Golf Carts.

**CITY ATTORNEY**

Duncan had nothing.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
YC NEWS/RALSTIN PUBLICATIONS  
BUSINESS INCENTIVE**

After looking over the application, motion was made by Barney, seconded by Cavender to grant free water for 1 year starting with the August bill and the City Tax Incentive with the presentation of paid property taxes. Motion carried unanimously.

**ICE MACHINE**

The commercial ice machine has quit working. It is estimated at 20-25 years old. It is possible it could be fixed, but between parts (if they can be found) and labor, may come close to the price of a new machine. It was noted that the school uses Rite Temp out of Vinita, Oklahoma.

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Atkin to waive the bid process due to time constraints. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Cavender to allow the City Clerk with the admin committee to lease or purchase a new ice machine not to exceed \$2,000.00.

**SAFETY  
PD CREDIT CARD**

After a short explanation of why a separate credit card was needed for the Police Department (training, transporting inmate, etc.), motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Atkin to allow the City Clerk to request a 3<sup>rd</sup> credit card with the Police Department name and a credit limit of \$2,000 using \$1,000 credit limit from each of the two current credit cards for the City. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORDINANCE 1170**

Duncan presented Ordinance No. 1170-AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-401 (a) OF THE CITY OF YATES CENTER, KANSAS CODE REGARDING THE OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF SUNSET TO SUNRISE WITHIN THE CITY'S LIMIT.

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Cavender to approve Ordinance No. 1170. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORDINANCE 1171**

Duncan presented Ordinance No. 1171-AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-501 (a) OF THE CITY OF YATES CENTER, KANSAS CODE REGARDING THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS BETWEEN THE HOURS OF SUNSET TO SUNRISE WITHIN THE CITY'S LIMIT.

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Cavender to approve Ordinance No. 1171. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORDINANCE 1172**

Duncan presented Ordinance No. 1172-AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-601 (a) OF THE CITY OF YATES CENTER, KANSAS CODE REGARDING THE OPERATION OF WORK-SITE UTILITY VEHICLES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF SUNSET TO SUNRISE WITHIN THE CITY'S LIMIT.

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Cavender to approve Ordinance No. 1172. Motion carried unanimously.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS  
SMALL SHED FOR POOL CHEMICALS**

The pool needs a small shed (approx. 8' x 10') for chemical storage and to keep certain chemicals separated from each other.

Motion made by Cathcard, seconded by Atkin to have the Parks committee put together a bid spec to get published in the paper, on the City's website and facebook. The sealed bids will need to be received in City Hall either by mail or hand delivered by July 28, 2023 at 5 pm, to be opened at the August 7, 2023 council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

Nothing from the Mayor

**CLAIMS AND VOUCHERS**

City Clerk explained why claims and vouchers were higher than average was because of 4 different transfers that only take place twice a year. Motion was made by Atkin, seconded by Cavender, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$199,585.21. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Atkin, seconded by Cathcard to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Council adjourned at 8:02 pm.



Justin W. Weston, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janet J. Thompson, City Clerk

Approved July 17, 2023