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MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
SOLOMON KS 67480
June 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Brandy Gray called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
Council Present: Shawn Kirby, Kelley VanDeCreek, Colten Kohman
Absent: Jennifer Cross, Brian Duryea
Staff Present: Andrea McCook, Randy Paden
Others Present: Aaron Martin

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR June 11, 2025 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Motion by Kelley VanDeCreek to approve the agenda, seconded by Shawn Kirby, 3 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

No public comments

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed consent agenda items including:

- (1) Approval of minutes dated May 5, 2025.
- (2) May Check Register & Payroll Summary & April Fund Reports.
- (3) License approval- VMG, LLC & G&B Roofing

A motion by Kelley VanDeCreek to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Colten Kohman, 3 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Consider Ordinance 772- 2025 Solomon Festival Street Dance

Motion by Kelley VanDeCreek to approve ordinance 772 for the 2025 Solomon Festival, seconded by Shawn Kirby, 3 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

2. Consider Ordinance 773- Discharge and Sale of Fireworks

This would allow for discharge of fireworks July 1st to July 4th from 9PM-11PM and adding the provision that if July 4th falls on a Thursday or Friday, fireworks can be discharged on the following Saturday. This would align with Dickinson County. Motion made by Shawn Kirby to approve Ordinance 773, seconded by Colten Kohman, 3 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

3. Resolution 2025-06 Adopt Kansas Homeland Security Region F Hazard Mitigation Plan

The resolution is essentially an agreement to align with the county's hazard mitigation plan. Motion made by Kelley VanDeCreek to approve Resolution 2025-06, seconded by Colten Kohman, 3 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

4. Resolution 2025-07 Draft Solomon CID Policy

The policy outlines the process and guidelines for establishing a Community Improvement District, including definitions, project costs, application requirements, and potential funding mechanisms. Aaron walked the council through the details, emphasizing that while the city isn't obligated to approve every CID, having this policy shows the city is "open for business" and provides a clear framework for potential developers. The policy gives the council discretion in approving CID projects while establishing a professional, transparent process. Motion made by Shawn Kirby to approve the Solomon CID Policy Resolution 2025-07, seconded by Colten Kohman, 3 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

5. Sales Tax Update

The council discussed implementing a 1% sales tax for water utility infrastructure, to be placed on the November ballot. They agreed to frame it as a tax specifically for water improvements, with a "not to exceed 40 years" timeframe. The sales tax would help fund the current water improvement project and potentially future infrastructure needs.

6. Community Water Meetings

The council discussed holding community water meetings before the November election. They will draft a plan and schedule for these meetings, with the goal of educating the public about the water improvement project and upcoming sales tax being on the ballot.

6. CITY MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS

None.

7. CALENDAR REMINDERS

Monday, June 30th at 6PM- Council Workshop & Budget Workshop

Monday, July 7th at 6PM- City Council Meeting

8. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 6:51 PM by Kelley VanDeCreek, seconded by Colten Kohman, 3 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

Signed:



Brandy Gray
Mayor

Attest:



Andrea McCook
City Clerk