

**City of Medicine Lodge
Council Minutes
August 17, 2026**

Call to Order

Mayor Tom Lee called the regular meeting of the Medicine Lodge City Council to order at 6:00 P.M. Councilmembers present were Jason Taylor, Allan Colborn, and John Hagood. Also, present was City Attorney Hannah Molz, City Administrator Brian Withrow and City Clerk Kandi Williams.

Pledge

Mayor Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Setting of Agenda

Mayor Lee approved the agenda

Consent Agenda

MINUTES

August 3, 2026

WARRANTS

Mayor Lee called for any objections to the consent agenda, with none, Mayor Lee approved the consent agenda.

Public Comments and Petitions

Presentations

Items for Governing Body Decision

FIRE CHIEF TED COLBORN REQUESTS

No action

AIRPORT MANAGER

No action

HEALTH INSURANCE

Councilmember Hagood made a motion seconded by Councilmember Taylor to approve the proposal from Freedom Claims insurance (BCBS \$1000 deductible). Motion carried 3-0.

2027 BUDGET

Councilmember Hagood made a motion seconded by Councilmember Colborn to set the 2027 budget RNR at 77.07 (5 mills over RNR). Motion carried 3-0.

Items for Governing Body Discussion

GOOGLE UPDATE

Announcement expected by month end

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Met with potential candidate who is a commissioned officer.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS

Administrative Reports

PUBLIC WORKS

Provided in Packet

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Provided in Packet

ADMINISTRATOR

- Reported the swimming pool has been paid off, ¼ % sales tax will expire on September 1, 2026
- Discussed limitations on property taxes, need to look into the City's tax policy
- Expect project helium to start moving dirt in the first quarter of next year.

MAYOR REPORT

None

Adjournment

Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:28 P.M.

APPROVED:

Tom Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kandi Williams, City Clerk