

CITY OF THE HIGHLANDS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, 6:00, January 13, 2025

Crazy Horse Sports Club, (lower level) 922 W. Crazy Horse Dr. 67502

AGENDA

- I. Meeting called to order**
 - A. Welcome
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance
 - C. Roll Call of the Council
 - Jeff Jackson, Mark Kerschen, Christie Gardner, Lyle Foss present, Kenny Nuss (absent)
 - D. AZC—Mo Penny
 - E. Guests: Andrew Goering, Vance Voth, Richard Woolley Roy Cherry
- II. Approval of the agenda as presented/amended** – Motion by Kerschen, second by Foss, Motion Passed
- III. Public Comment(s):** State name and address. Please limit remarks to ≤ five minutes. None
- IV. Approval of draft minutes:** Regular meeting, December 16, 2024 – Motion by Kerschen, second by Foss, Motion Passed
- V. Election of council officers**
 - President – Jackson nominated by Kerschen Motion Passed unanimously
 - Treasurer – Foss nominated by Jackson Motion Passed unanimously
- VI. Appointments for approval**
 - AZC** – Penny for AZC Motion by Jackson Second by Kerschen Motion Passed
 - BZA** – Motion to approve Chad Wilson and Carlene Gover made by Jackson, Second by Kerschen Motion passed.
- VII. Reports**
 - A. Mayor
 - 1. Trimming done by Royers for AVEC
 - Visited with Jim Sherry, director of operations at AVEC about Royer leaving tree debris. Will contact Royer.
 - Eric Lutz emailed person regarding deer hunting within city limits.
 - B. Treasurer
 - 1. Treasurer's report was presented by Foss, Motion to approve by Kerschen Second by Gardner Motion Passed.
 - 2. Dues for League of Municipalities for \$542.04
 - 3. PBM \$750 retainer for snow removal plus \$1875 for 2 snow removals
 - 4. Reno County Utilities \$30.00
 - 5. FYI, AVEC \$108.21 (automatic bank payment)
 - 6. Crazy Horse \$700 for room rental
 - Motion by Jackson to pay invoices presented, seconded by Foss. Motion approved.
 - C. AZC
 - 1. Snow removal report. He was here faster. Missed some streets but came back.

2. Fence for Roy Cherry. No fee permit.

VII. New Business

- A. For discussion – Resolution 2025-0085 Head of Volunteer Group can approve expenditures up to \$500 without council approval. Motion by Jackson, seconded by Foss, Motion passed.
- B. Town Grant Program – up to \$10,000. Discussed city building, landscaping. Group to meet in 2 weeks with engineers to discuss grants and plans
- C. City Website progress – Tonya said they would get to work on it.
- D. Concern about hunting lodge – discussion on potential dangers. Lodge is in Rice County so not much City can do.

VIII. Unfinished Business

- A. ROW update
 1. Country Club Plaza ROW cleanup of Common Area
Some trimming done by Dankert, but larger project on hold for now.
- B. Signs at the entrance will be done in next couple of weeks. Waiting for utility locate
- C. November 2025 elections – discussed options to get persons notified and willing to run for council.
- D. Violations/complaints
 1. Mailbox post at 1307 Dull Knife Drive
No update
 2. Removal of tree and water tank on Rick Wooley's property
Taking tree down but not cleaned up. Camo tarp covering water tank.
 3. Status of Chris Brown's violations
Mo to follow up on siding on shed
- E. Status of NW exit project
No progress at this time. Waiting on surveying.

X. As may arise

X. Date for next City Council Meeting

- A. February 10, 2025 Motion by Gardner Second by Jackson Motion passed

XI. Motion to Adjourn – Motion by Jackson Second by Kerschen Motion passed

2024 Goals

1. Prepare a northwest exit
2. Initiate Monroe Street drainage in collaboration with township
3. Re-establish drainage to pond from Wovoka and Wildwood
4. Continue with ROW/drainage and lot maintenance work
5. Continue with road repairs

2023 Goals continued from 2022 Goals

1. Develop long-term plans for roads (obtain estimate from civil engineer)(completed)
2. Identify what needs to be done with roads this year (short term)(completed)
3. Identify drainage concerns
4. Establish Parks & Recreation volunteer group
(completed)
5. Continue with vacant lot clean-up

2021 goals: Road repairs, vacant lot clean-up, signage [completed], future drainage concerns.