

Meeting Minutes

September 28, 2026

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Sweetwater met in a regular workshop session on Monday, September 28, 2026 at 5 p.m. at Sweetwater City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Angie Arp Kyle with Commissioners present being Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Mike Martin and James H. Stutts. Commissioner Branham Lovingood was absent. City Attorney John Cleveland was present. A quorum was present.

Wes Nunley was present to make comment on Flock Cameras. No opposing comments were presented.

No one was present to make a public comment on actionable items.

The board discussed the Budget Amendment Ordinance including the addition of a state- approved building at the animal control facility to allow the animal control officer to euthanize in-house. The Monroe County Friends of Animals Shelter was unable to take any animals now due to a parvo outbreak. Attempts at partnering with a local vet for euthanasia have been unsuccessful.

City Administrator Jessica Morgan advised the board that the closing on the Highway 68 property is set for September 29th. Commissioner Stutts voiced concern over the AT&T easement and the lack of a marked easement on the survey. Parks Director Eddie Thompson advised AT&T had cleared the easement so that it was identifiable. After discussion it was determined that the board had already voted on the purchase of the property with a price reduction to offset the discovery of the easement. City Attorney John Cleveland stated that if we didn't go forward with the purchase at this point that we could set ourselves up for a legal issue. The City Administrator was given the board's permission to go forward with the closing.

Commissioner Richeson asked for the Cigna rebate to be placed on The October agenda for action.

City Administrator Jessica Morgan advised the board that our Public Records Request Policy has been updated to change her title and email. She also advised the Public Records Request Form has been updated to add the requestor's email so existing electronic records can be sent to the requestor. No vote was needed but the policy should be reviewed annually.

The public comment period ordinance was reviewed. The board was asked if they wanted to leave the residency requirement in the ordinance. Commissioner Stutts advised that since we govern outside city limits, he feels we should allow them to speak. City Attorney John Cleveland advised he thought the statute naming "the Public" may mean all people. The item was placed on The October agenda.

City Administrator Jessica Morgan provided a monthly report to the board. She advised that they should review the newly drafted job descriptions with their department heads for discussion at the October workshop. She also advised the Retiree Group Health Policy should be discussed at the October workshop. She provided updates on the community center and advised a bid opening will be held September 29th for the completion of the Parks and Recreation Complex. She advised that the Blooms

Bluegrass and BBQ festival showed an increase in visits of 24% over last year's May event. She advised she would give a financial report at the end of the quarter.

Mayor Kyle advised the board that 2 lots at Starrett and Hall Streets were available for purchase. She sent the information to Commissioner Richeson to review as they are adjacent to the existing softball fields on the Brown School side of the complex.

Mayor Kyle reviewed the agenda for the October 5th meeting.

Each department head gave a report.

No further action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

This the 28th day of September, 2026.

Mayor

Attest: _____

City Recorder