Arkansas City
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PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING | MINUTES

Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at 5:30 PM – 400 W Madison Ave, Arkansas City, KS

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM
Roll Call

☒ Mike Bergagnini	☒ Lloyd Colston	☐	☒ Chris Johnson
☒ Travis Pearman	☒ Duane Oestman	☒ Cody Richardson	☒ Dotty Smith

Consent Agenda

1. **Corrected Meeting Minutes, May 12, 2026:**
   a. Lloyd Colston made the motion to approve the correction of the minutes and Duane Oestman made the second motion. Voice vote carried the motion.
2. **Meeting Minutes, June 9, 2026:**
   a. After reviewing the minutes, Josh stated that there would be a correction of the minutes removing an unclear statement.
   b. Lloyd Colston made the motion to approve the minutes with the corrections and Travis Pearman made the second motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

Public Hearings

3. **Consider the advisability of rezoning 519 W Skyline Rd from an R-1 (Low Density Residential District) to an A (Agricultural District).**
   a. Lloyd Colston made the motion to open the public hearing at 5:37 PM and Travis Pearman made the second. Voice vote carried the motion.
   b. Josh told the board that more evidence had been presented for the proposed rezone. Mr. Rudman stated that all issues had been resolved. Mrs. Rudman had gone into their store and had a nice conversation with the property owners and exchanged phone numbers so that the neighbors can be notified if the chickens are let out.
   c. Lloyd Colston made the motion to close the public hearing at 5:40 PM and Travis Pearman made the second. Voice vote carried the motion.
   d. After the public hearing, Lloyd Colston made the motion to approve the rezone and Travis Pearman made the second. Roll call vote carried the motion with a 7-0 vote.

Consideration

4. **Adoption of amended bylaws.**
   a. Josh explained the draft language for the proposed change. Dotty reported that she had spoken with the County Commissioners, who indicated they were not interested in establishing a County Planning Commission. As written, the draft provided that at-large participants would continue to have input but would not have voting authority unless the matter involved property located within the Growth Area
   b. Lloyd Colston made the motion to approve the amended by-laws, and Duane Oestman made the second. Voice vote carried the motion with Lloyd Colston having reservations.

Other Items: Josh informed the board that there would be a meeting in August and what would be on the agenda.

Duane Oestman made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 PM and Lloyd Colston made the second motion. Voice vote carried the motion.