

April 1, 2026

The governing body of the City of Seneca met in regular session April 1, 2026 at 7:30 p.m., in the council room, located at 531 Main Street, Seneca, Kansas. Present were Mayor Joe Mitchell and council members Jim Mitchell, Mike Stallbaumer, Kris Enneking, Steve Bennett, and Jacee Corby. Ray Shinn was absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Brooks, City Attorney Luke Sunderland, Dylan Blevins, and Michele Spring.

Kris Enneking made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Jacee Corby. All voted yes. Motion carried. Consent agenda items:

1. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held March 18, 2026.
2. Appropriation Ordinance Number 1515

Kris Enneking made a motion to approve Resolution Number 04012026: A Resolution for First Heritage Bank Cash Management Services. This is a standard banking procedure, authorizing bank signatures and cash management services. This is adding a level of protection for ACH's and services to our accounts. The motion was seconded by Jacee Corby. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

New Business:

Jim Mitchell made a motion to approve the consideration of conditional offer of employment to Steven Hutchens as part time Seneca Police Department Patrolman at \$23.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

City Administrator Steve Brooks announced that he met with a couple individuals from the golf course about concerns they had.

City Administrator Steve Brooks announced that AHRS was in with preliminary sketch-up. He will be referring questions about design, colors, and concepts to the Parks and Recreation Committee in the April Meeting.

City Administrator Steve Brooks announced that our auditors, Varney and Associates are wrapping up on the 2025 audit. They will report to the council once the audit is complete.

City Administrator Steve Brooks will be out of the office on Thursday, April 2 and Friday, April 3rd for a funeral.

At 7:37 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to recess into executive session to discuss applicant reviews for the Park and Recreation Director position pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 10 minutes to include the governing body, Luke, and Steve with possible action to be taken. The open meeting will resume in the city council chambers at 7:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 7:47 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to go back into open session. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. No action was taken.

At 7:50 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to recess into executive session to discuss administrative concerns pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 10 minutes to include the governing body, Luke, and Steve with no action to be taken. The open meeting will resume in the city council chambers at 8:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:00 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to go back into open session. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. No action was taken.

At 8:00 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to recess into executive session to discuss attorney client concerns pursuant to the attorney client privilege exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 5 minutes to include the governing body, Luke, and Steve with no action to be taken. The open meeting will resume in the city council chambers at 8:05 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:05 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to go back into open session. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. No action was taken.

Jacee Corby made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Mitchell. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Michele Spring
City Clerk