

CITY OF CANEY
CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
December 2, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Elliott called the special City Council meeting to order at 6:30 pm Tuesday, December 2, 2025 in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 100 W 4th Street.

B. ROLL CALL

Present:	Josh Elliott	Mayor
	Jeff Culver	Council, Ward 1
	Mike Holman	Council, Ward 1
	Kenith Butts	Council, Ward 2
	Lori Patterson	Council, Ward 3
	Elizabeth Burch	Council, Ward 3
	Becky Dye	Council, Ward 4

Staff:	Andrea Sibley	City Administrator
	Ike Dye	Police Chief
	Adam Lanter	City Clerk

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Attendees recited the pledge of allegiance and Mayor Elliott led the invocation.

D. CITIZEN PRESENTATION/VISITOR COMMENTS

E. OLD BUSINESS

G.1. DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE SRF FUNDING FOR THE WATER SUPPLY CONNECTION LINE TO COFFEYVILLE AND AUTHORIZE THE NECESSARY SIGNATURES.

Mayor Elliott stated that there would need be a motion and a second for the loan agreement that was discussed with Ben Coltrane of Midwest Engineering. He clarified that the City

intends to take out Option 1. City staff clarified that Option 1 was the twenty (20) year option with staff's intent to get the loan switched over to the USDA down the line due to lower interest rates with them. Staff would also continue to seek out additional funding options via grants to get the cost of the project down closer to the two million five hundred thousand dollar (\$2,500,000). Staff did note that they did not want to go below the two million five hundred-thousand-dollar (\$2,500,000) mark because the City would then lose the loan forgiveness component of the current project funding plan. Staff went on to explain that in order to keep the fifty percent (50%) loan forgiveness the loan is needed, which is why it was not reflected in the principal reduction like the one-million-dollar (\$1,000,000) grant was. Between the forgiveness and the grant, that makes three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000). The new principal the Governing Body would be agreeing to is six million eight hundred thousand (\$6,800,000) after the one million dollars (\$1,000,000) is taken off from the grant. With the loan forgiveness the new total would be four million, three hundred thousand dollars (\$4,300,000). Mayor Elliot clarified that the City staff would continue seeking funding sources to lower that amount even further and that the City would not make the first payment until 2029. Staff stated that there is an additional approval of one million, six hundred thousand dollars (\$1,600,000) through the Kansas Department of Health and Environment ("KDHE") for the distribution that can be applied to this as well but that none of that can be done until this funding was accepted. Council Member Burch stated that at the regular meeting on December 1st construction would not be completed until 2029 and then a year after that is when payments begin. Mayor Elliott stated that that was correct. The earliest it would be was 2029. Council Member Burch stated that the only question for clarification that she had gotten from citizens and was that this is only for the connection to Coffeyville line. In the meantime, staff would continue to seek out additional funding for the distribution inside city limits. Mayor Elliott stated that the original contract to Coffeyville stated that the City's usage had to be brought down and that was what spurred on the water study resulting in finding the water loss was not as bad, replacing the meters, and would have another water study conducted in the next quarter. The water loss was only involved in that discussion because of the high overall usage with Coffeyville allowing Caney to connect into their supply. The issue with the connection to Coffeyville is that they have a higher water pressure in their water flow, but that they have valves that can lower the pressure before reaching Caney's distribution lines. He continued to state that the goal is to complete the distribution between now and 2029 when the Coffeyville connection line is finished but that additional grants would be sought out between now and then. Staff reiterated that this project could not go below two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) or the City would lose out on the forgiveness and that we should bank on that being paid by the City unless additional funding was secured to cover that as well. Staff further reiterated that they had applied for additional grants through the Kansas Water Office ("KWO") in the amount of one million six hundred thousand dollars (\$1,600,000) to start on the distribution component and that

staff should hear back on the results from that in February. Staff will continue to pluck out components of the project for additional funding and then the five million five hundred thousand dollar (\$5,500,000) in appropriations from the federal government. If both of those were to come through, that would create seven million one hundred thousand dollars (\$7,100,000) bucket for the distribution component towards that thirteen-million-dollar (\$13,000,000) project cost. The issue that staff has run into thus far has been when they approach organizations with a thirteen-million-dollar (\$13,000,000) project they tend to balk. By piecing it out, it becomes more digestible for these external funding sources because it leaves enough money for other cities to benefit as well. Council Member Burch requested clarification on if this were passed tonight would the City be able to make drawdowns this year. Staff confirmed that they had spoken with counterparts in KDHE today and they confirmed that the City would be able to do drawdowns this year. Staff reiterated that that has been a concern because the City has prepaid invoices that need to be paid but the disarray at the federal level has hindered by the flux at the federal level. Staff went on to point out that a bigger budget amendment would be needed to but with the drawdowns the City could begin to pay itself back. Council Member Burch clarified that the next step would be soliciting the bids from the companies that would do the work. Mayor Elliott stated that that was correct and that the bids would be brought to the Council to select the contractor for the job. The estimated timeline was predicted to be mid-February for those to come to Council. Staff continued to state that the goal would be to be in the ballpark of fifteen to twenty percent (15%-20%) project status by July first based on the timeline of the grants.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CULVER TO APPROVE THE LOAN AGREEMENT.

MOTION CARRIES 6-0.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON ORDINANCE 2025-26.

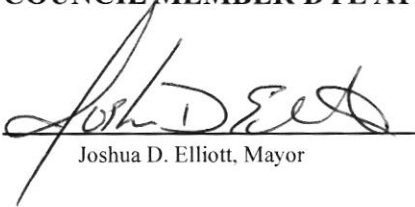
RESULTS:

Becky Dye	Aye
Lori Patterson	Aye
Elizabeth Burch	Aye
Jeff Culver	Aye
Mike Holman	Aye
Kenith Butts	Aye

THE VOTE ON ORDINANCE 2025-26 CARRIES 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER PATTERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE AT 6:41 PM.


Joshua D. Elliott, Mayor

Attest:


Adam Lanter, City Clerk

