



# City of Holden

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## HOLDEN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Hallar Building (City Hall) 101 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Holden, MO 64040

Mayor Briscoe called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call of the council. As follows:

Andes	Present	Pemberton	Absent
Miller	Present	Barwick	Present
Mensch	Present	Goodfellow	Present
Fields	Present	Mallory	Present

Also in attendance was Police Chief Mayhew, and Park Director Mallory.

Mayor Briscoe brought the council’s attention to the consent agenda. The consent agenda consists of the City Council minutes from the July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting, and the appropriations/expenditures presented at the finance meeting. He called for a motion to approve. There were no edits, corrections, or additional information. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and seconded by Councilman Mensch, the consent agenda was approved.

There were no citizens or community organizations who requested time to speak.

The Mayor stated that the upcoming month will be very busy. There will be lots of planning, preparation and work underway for the upcoming events and projects. The street fair, tractor pull, and kite festival are all in the month of September.

Police Chief Mayhew provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Chief Mayhew reported: Incident reports – 32; Misdemeanors – 9; Felonies – 6; Warrant arrest –8; Domestic – 1; Miscellaneous reports – 3; Agency assist – 1; MVC – 0; Juvenile – 0; CIT – 1; Traffic Summons – 52; Traffic Warning – 50. For Codes/Animal Control: Codes cases – 42; Animal At Large/ License – 3; Vicious Animal – 2; Nuisance – 0; Business – 0; Illegal burn – 0. He also thanked the council for their support and investment in public safety. There is an open house scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 4pm at the Police Department. This open house is to show the public the new remodel of the department building.

Fire Chief Wakeman provided a written report. Chief Wakeman reported: Fire incidents – 5; Rescue/EMS incidents – 3. The average response time for all calls – 7 minutes, 52 seconds.

Street Superintendent Joe Robb provided a written report. Weekly maintenance, ditch cleanouts, pothole patching, and large equipment maintenance.

Park Director Tami Mallory provided a written report as well as delivered her report in the meeting. She reported that one board member resigned due to military deployment, the park is working toward a partnership with the W.I.N.G.S. Academy through the high school, the community has been asked for event ideas for the park to work towards, and the next event scheduled is Pumpkins in the Park on October 18, 2025 from 4-7pm.

The Board of Public Works provided the written minutes from the BPW meeting. Councilman Mensch, as the BPW liaison, reported for the BPW. He reported that their minutes reflect there were several water line repairs needed, the dam inspector was complete, and repairs to several meter pits will soon be necessary. The minutes also reflect that capital improvements were completed on Main Street.

Councilman Fields reported for Budget, Finance & Administration Committee. Ms. Fields stated that the committee reviewed the employee handbook for possible changes, police department renovation is complete, and the committee is in the process of reviewing changes for Hands-free cell phone usage while driving.

Councilman Miller reported for Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Miller stated that the committee has been reviewing quotes for a new street department building, and the open waste disposal project is still in progress. The stormwater project is still in discussion as well.

Councilman Pemberton was not present but Police Chief Mayhew reported for Public Safety Committee. Chief Mayhew stated that the committee discussed the Blue Shield Program, and the police department's renovation was complete. There will be an open house of the PD on September 17, 2025 from 12:00-4:00pm.

Councilman Mensch reported for Public Parks and Recreation Committee. Mr. Mensch stated that the duck blind drawings were complete, sponsors for the kite festival are coming in with \$6000 so far, and the dock by the boat ramp will have a sidewalk installed soon.

Councilwoman Mallory reported for Economic, Industrial, and Community Development Committee. Ms. Mallory stated that there was an appraisal done on the Industrial Park, the JAG and WINGS programs through the school are working with the city for volunteer work and the like. The home that has been deemed dangerous and set for demolition, 500 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., has been sold to a new owner. The new owner intends to repair the home and has been given guidelines and deadlines from the city.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R25-32 FD surplus items and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Miller the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R25-33 PD purchase – MDTs and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Mensch the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 08-01-25 Kite festival contract, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Fields, the motion passed. With no discussion, the Mayor then did the second reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Miller, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

Andes	Yes	Pemberton	Absent
Miller	Yes	Barwick	Yes
Mensch	Yes	Goodfellow	Yes
Fields	Yes	Mallory	Yes

Bill No. 08-01-25 Kite festival contract passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 08-02-25 Concrete at Park Contract (\$3,000), did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Fields, the motion passed. With no discussion, the Mayor then did the second reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Barwick, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

Andes	Yes	Pemberton	Absent
Miller	Yes	Barwick	Yes
Mensch	Yes	Goodfellow	Yes
Fields	Yes	Mallory	Yes

Bill No. 08-02-25 Concrete at Park Contract (\$3,000) passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 08-03-25 Tax Rate Ordinance, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Fields, the motion passed. With no discussion, the Mayor then did the second reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Goodfellow, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

Andes	Yes	Pemberton	Absent
Miller	Yes	Barwick	Yes
Mensch	Yes	Goodfellow	Yes
Fields	Yes	Mallory	Yes

Bill No. 08-03-25 Tax Rate Ordinance passed.

The Mayor stated that the Tractor Pull Association has turned in their insurance certificate, completely fulfilling the terms of their lease.

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Barwick, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36PM.

Council Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ray Briscoe, Mayor

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Sarah Claxton, City Clerk