

October 21, 2025
Cheviot City Council Meeting

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Council President Smyth called the meeting to order at 7:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer. Roll was then called, and the following members were in attendance:

President of Council	Kerry Smyth
Mayor	Sam Keller
Safety Services Director	Steve Braun
Council Ward 1	David Voss
Council Ward 2	Chris Watt
Council Ward 3	Brian Smyth
Council Ward 4	Lindsay Keeble
Council At Large	Troy Borgmann
Council At Large	Stefanie Hawk
Council At Large	Amy Richter

Minutes of the October 7 meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. Smyth.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Mr. Voss read into record his report from the October 7 Finance Committee meeting which centered around the possibility of the City purchasing property to be used by the Cheviot Historical Society. Motion to receive and file made by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. Smyth.

Legislation:

Ordinance 25-13 An Ordinance To Amend Section 93.01 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances To Amend The Curfew For Certain Minors; And To Declare an Emergency. Mr. Smyth presented the ordinance for its third reading. Mrs. Richter stated that she found some of the language confusing, mainly the reference to “minors aged 15 years old and younger” and “under the age of 16 years”. Mrs. Richter motioned to change the language to “under the age of 16 years. Ms. Hawk seconded, and all voting members agreed. Mr. Smyth motioned for adoption, Mr. Voss seconded.

Ordinance 25-15 An Ordinance To Amend Sections Of Chapter 131 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances To Amend Park Hours and Use Of Park Facilities. Mr. Smyth presented the ordinance for its third reading. Mr. Voss motioned for adoption, Mr. Borgmann seconded.

Administrative Reports:

-Mayor Keller reported that the demo on the former Cappel's will begin soon. The city will retain ownership of the property until the demo portion is complete. Ms. Hawk asked that Elaine Volker from The Drama Workshop be notified when the property will be transferred to the new owner as TDW has been using the back parking lot for their patrons.

-Safety Service Director Braun the contract has been executed so that Paradigm can begin the demo portion of the project.

-Law Director Rohr did not attend the meeting and left no report.

Public Recognition on Non-Agenda Items:

-Ms. Kathy Siciliano of Woodbine Avenue addressed council with some ongoing issues regarding residents at the sober living house adjacent to her- property. Ms. Siciliano has done extensive research on this issue and presented that info to council. Ms. Hawk advised that the Zoning Committee had looked into sober living houses earlier this year, but council chose not to move forward. Ms. Hawk would like to reopen the topic in the near future. Mrs. Siciliano and city administration will remain in contact in an effort to mediate the issues.

-Mr. Dominick Harney, who recently purchased the former Taste Of Class facility on Glenmore Avenue came to introduce himself and talk a little about his business.

-Mrs. Sara Hutchinson addressed council on a continuing problem with her neighbors who feed cats. The cats are increasing in number and are soiling her property and creating a health problem. There was discussion between Mrs. Hutchinson and administration. Ms. Hawk said she would speak with the law director to see what recourse the city has to correct the problem.

Other Business:

-Treasurer's Report from September 2025 was received and filed with a motion by Mr. Smyth, second by Ms. Hawk.

-Mayors Court Receipts from September 2025 were received and filed with a motion by Mr. Smyth, second by Mrs. Richter.

-Mrs. Richter reminded that a meeting of the 250 Committee will be held on November at 6PM. The Bell Tower outside city hall is currently under construction. Thank you to NYPD Pizza for feeding the workers this past Saturday. She also thanked Ms. Eilermann for running the Halloween Spooktacular this past weekend. Ms. Eilermann thanked Ms. Richter and Ms. Hawk for working at the event. Mrs. Richter acknowledged Ms. Sable Bender for getting involved in city events.


-Ms. Hawk shared that the Cheviot Community Foundation hosted another shred event, and that so many people showed up that the trucks were filled and the event had to be shut down earlier than the posted time. She also recognized Ms. Sable Bender for the inaugural meeting of the newly formed Best Side Community Coalition that she founded, and wished her success.

Seeing no further business before this council, Mr. Smyth motioned for adjournment, second by Mr. Borgmann. Meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.

All motions mentioned herein carried by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.



Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council



Kerry Smyth, President of Council

David W. Von - Council, Third Party Signature