

# Elkhart City Council Meeting Minutes

## December 17, 2024

The City Council meeting was brought to order by Mayor Leo Carrillo at 7:00 p.m. Meeting was held in the Council Room at City Hall.

**Council:**  
Present: Tim Predmore, Nick Naim, Mica Nave, Troy Palmer, and Chad Parker  
Absent: Laura Martin

Others: David Thompson, Tim Hardy, Matt Higgins, Gary Talbert, and Vivian Whisenand.

**Minutes:**  
Minutes from the December 3rd Council meeting were approved with a motion by Councilmember Naim and seconded by Councilmember Nave. Motion passed.

**Disbursements:**  
Vivian informed the Council about a change in one of the disbursements.

Councilmember Predmore moved to approve the bills presented for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Parker. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**  
Councilmember Parker asked about leaves that have been blown or swept into the streets.

Vivian Whisenand informed the Council about a gift certificate given to Jo Ann Quigley by Lindsey White in appreciation for her additional work during the clean-up.

The 2024 4th quarter employee appreciation luncheon will take place in early January due to scheduling conflicts.

Mayor Carrillo urged the Council to avoid engaging with social media posts related to City business. Individuals should be directed to call or attend Council meetings with their concerns.

The high school asked if the City would want to buyout a basketball game scheduled for January 14, 2025, for a total cost of \$1,500.00. Councilmember Naim made a motion to approve the buyout of the basketball game for that date, pending review and approval

from Attorney Thompson.

Attorney Thompson informed the Council that the Law Enforcement Contract was discussed at the county commission meeting. The Council explored their options with Attorney Thompson.

**City Administrator's Report:**  
Attorney Thompson will submit a letter he prepared to the Girl Scouts pertaining to the ownership of both properties.

Ronnie Anderson has verbally resigned from the Elkhart Recreation Board, effective December 31, 2024.

Yvonne Turner contacted Tim to inquire if the City still had interest in the Turner property. The City does still have interest.

Public Comments:  
Gary Talbert is present for the bid opening.

**Open Bids:**  
Mayor Leo Carrillo opened and read three sealed bids for the demolition of properties. The bids received were as follows:

Javier Gomez, Javier Roustabout Services: \$13,000 for the house on Seward Street and \$12,500 for two houses on Thayer Street.

HMH Construction: \$13,800 for the house on Seward Street and \$22,300 for two houses on Thayer Street (328 Thayer: \$11,500 and 322 Thayer: \$10,800).

Gary Talbert, Earth Remodeling LLC: \$15,000 for the house on Seward Street and \$11,000 for two houses on Thayer Street.

After a discussion, Councilmember Predmore motioned to award the bids to Gary Talbert, Earth Remodeling LLC, for a total of \$26,000. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Parker. Motion carried.

**December Transfers:**  
Councilmember Palmer motioned to transfer from Water Fund to Water Equipment Reserve Fund \$2,500.00. Motion seconded by Councilmember Naim. Motion carried.

Councilmember Nave moved to transfer from Sewer Fund to Sewer Reserve Fund \$500.00. Seconded by Councilmember Palmer. Motion carried.

Councilmember Predmore moved to transfer from Sanitation Fund to Sanitation Reserve Fund \$2,500.00. Seconded by Councilmember Parker. Motion carried.

**Proposed Contract 2024 Audit:**

Attorney Thompson reviewed the Proposed Contract for the 2024 Audit with Hay Rice & Associates. The only change made was an increase in cost. Councilmember Parker motioned to execute the Proposed Contract for the 2024 Audit. Seconded by Councilmember Naim. The motion was carried.

**Mileage Rates 2025:** Tabled.

**2025 CMB Renewals:**  
Attorney Thompson reviewed the applications and informed the Council that they could proceed with the approval process.

Councilmember Naim made a motion to approve the CMB License for U Pump It for 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Palmer. Motion passed.

Councilmember Predmore made a motion to approve the CMB License for Pizza Hut for 2025. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Nave. Motion carried.

Councilmember Parker made a motion to approve the CMB License for The Little Store LLC for 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Predmore. Motion passed.

**Ordinance No. 786:**  
Attorney Thompson presented an amended ordinance regarding City Council meetings. Councilmember Naim motioned to approve

Ordinance No. 786, which was seconded by Councilmember Nave. Motion passed.

**New Locator:**  
Matt Higgins informed the Council that the existing locator is obsolete and recommended purchasing a new locator that will include GPS mapping. This new locator will allow the City to add any items or properties to its system. The quote for the new locator is \$11,862. Councilmember Predmore made a motion to purchase the new locator for \$11,862, and Councilmember Parker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Executive Session:**  
Councilmember Predmore moved that the governing body recess into a 5-minute executive session for legal matters. Motion seconded by Councilmember Naim. Motion passed.

Pursuant to the attorney-client privilege, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2). The open meeting will resume in the council room at 7:50 p.m.

7:44 p.m. Council entered executive session.

7:49 p.m. Council exits executive session.

Councilmember Predmore moved that the governing body recess into an additional 10-minute executive session to continue discussion on legal matters. Motion seconded by Councilmember Naim. Motion passed.

Pursuant to the attorney-client privilege, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2). The open meeting will resume in the council room at 8:01 p.m.

7:50 p.m. Council entered executive session.

8:00 p.m. Council exits executive session.

Mayor Leo Carrillo called regular meeting back to order at 8:01 p.m.

No action taken.

**Adjournment:**

Council meeting was adjourned with a motion by Councilmember Naim and seconded by Councilmember Parker. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

### Senior Center Menu

**Thursday, January 30**  
- Hamburgers, Deli Fixens, Baked Beans, Chips, Ambrosia

**Friday, January 31**  
- Spaghetti, 5 Way Vegetable, Garlic Bread, Vanilla Pudding, Meal provided by Church at Jake's Barn

### Senior Center Calendar

**January 30** - Play Skip-Bo • Ellie Houdyshell (B)  
**Friday, January 31** - Birthday Party • Carol Harper (B) • Levi Scruggs (B)

## Morton County Conservation Annual Meeting to be Held on February 8th

The Morton County Conservation Annual Meeting will be held at the Morton County Civic Center on February 8, 2025 at 6:00 pm, to recognize the poster, essay, and limberick award winners. Meal will be provided by Oklahoma Smoke BBQ.

Please make sure to call the conservation office at 620-697-1222 to RSVP by February 3, 2025, please leave a message if needed.

## GCCC Releases Fall 2024 Honor Rolls

[Garden City, KS] January 20, 2025 -- Garden City Community College is proud to present the Fall 2024 Honor Roll recipients. Included is a total of 729 students on three lists: President's Honor Roll, Vice President's Dean's Honor Roll, and Honorable Mention.

The President's recipients, 199 in total, achieved a semester GPA 4.0.

The Vice President's-Dean's recipients, 421 in total, achieved a semester GPA 3.2 to 3.999.

The Honorable Mention recipients, 109 in total, achieved a semester GPA 3.0 to 3.199.

Only degree-seeking students enrolled in eight (8) credit hours or more were considered for this recognition. Together, our honor roll recipients represent approximately 61% of the 1,191 students enrolled in eight credit hours or more for the Fall 2024 semester.

We applaud all our students for their hard work and academic efforts! GO BUSTERS!

Making the Vice President's Dean's Honor Roll from Elkhart are Andrea Jurado Castillo and Rosa Legarreta.

Making the Honorable Mention from Elkhart Galilea Garcia.

## Obituary



Verna Lee Reazin

Verna Lee Reazin, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, community leader, and dedicated bookkeeper, passed away peacefully on January 13, 2025. Born May 11, 1936, in Elkhart, Ks to Ivan and Nellie Simmons, Verna spent her formative years in Rolla and Elkhart, Kansas.

On June 12, 1955, she married the love of her life, Eldon DeLoss Reazin. Their union blessed them with three children: Lynda Reazin (spouse Scott) of Wichita, Kansas; Rhonda Boone (spouse Ron) of Elkhart, Kansas; and Lonnie Reazin (spouse Sheila) of Mooreland, Oklahoma. Verna's family was her pride and joy, and her legacy extends to her five grandchildren: Kaley Slocum (spouse Gentry) of Hugoton, Kansas; Talor Spencer (spouse Collin) of Edmond, Oklahoma; Ali Boaldin of Yukon, Oklahoma; Dalton Reazin (spouse Kylee) of Jones, Oklahoma; and Lane Reazin of Edmond, Oklahoma. She cherished her five great-grandchildren: Abigail Slocum, Carson Slocum, Wyatt Boaldin, Nash Spencer, and Revv Spencer.

Verna dedicated three decades of her life to the Elkhart Coop, serving as a trusted bookkeeper until her retirement. Her commitment to her community extended beyond her profession. She served two terms on the Elkhart City Council and made history in 1984 as the city's first female mayor, demonstrating her unwavering dedication to public service.

Verna was predeceased by her husband of 37 years, Eldon Reazin; her parents; and two brothers, Ivan J. Simmons and Gary L. Simmons.

She is survived by her three children and their spouses, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, her brother Jerry Simmons of Charlotte, North Caro-

lina, and sisters-in-law Ruth Simmons of Nocona, Texas, and Laurie Simmons of Elkhart, Kansas. Along with a host of nieces and nephews

Verna will be remembered for her strong work ethic, her compassionate heart, along with her Christmas cinnamon rolls and Thanksgiving croissants, along with unwavering dedication to her family and friends and her pioneering spirit. Her memory will be a source of comfort and inspiration to all who knew her. Services pending in July.

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Wednesday (3rd of month) Men....7 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....5:30pm

#### CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Pastor Roberto Ibarra  
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Sunday School.....9:30am  
Sunday Morning Service.....10:45am  
Sunday Evening.....6 pm  
Wed. Evening Activities.....7 pm

#### HILLCREST BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Terrell Giddens  
1102 Morton  
697-2289

Sunday School.....9:45am  
Sunday Morning Service.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday .....6 pm  
Team Kids Wednesday.....6 pm

#### CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Mark Schlamann  
813 S. Baca  
697-2284

Worship Service.....11:00 am  
Women's Bible Study.....Thursday at 4:30p.m.  
Find us on Facebook - Christ Lutheran Church Elkhart, KS

#### ST JOAN OF ARC CHURCH

Rev. Stephan Philip  
723 S. Baca Ave.  
Rectory: 697-4622  
Parish Center 697-4587

Spanish Mass Saturday.....6 pm  
English Mass Sunday.....9 am  
Religious Education and Youth Group  
Wednesday Evening  
Catholic Inquiry/Initiation Class Call the Rectory.

Weekday and Days of Holy Obligation masses as scheduled in bulletin or on Facebook page.

#### FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

Pastor Forest Cornwell  
306 Morton  
697-4455

Sunday Men's Prayer.....8:15am  
Sunday School.....9:45am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:45am  
Wednesday Night Kids.....6:00pm  
Wednesday Evening Youth.....6:30pm

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Ed Richards  
500 N. Baca 697-4712  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Morning Service.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Service.....7 pm  
AWANA-Kids Club.....5 pm  
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#### CHURCH AT JAKE'S BARN

Jesus Promoter: Jess Lee  
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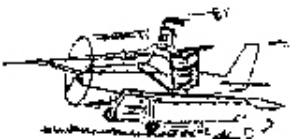


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Leo Carrillo  
Mayor