

CITY OF KEISER
Council Meeting
February 23, 2026

The Keiser City Council met in regular session Monday, February 23, 2026, at Keiser City Hall @ 6 PM. In attendance were Mayor Rick Creecy, Recorder Penny Wilbanks, and councilmembers Donna Bell and Joey Jackson. Absent from the meeting were councilmembers Lynn Skaggs and Laura Smith. Mayor Creecy made up the quorum.

January minutes were reviewed and approved with a motion by Jackson, followed by a second from Bell, and all said aye.

January Financial reports were reviewed and approved with a motion from Jackson, followed by a second from Bell, and all said aye.

Fiscal Year-End Reports needed by USDA-RD were reviewed and approved with a motion by Bell, followed by a second from Jackson, and all said aye.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Drainage Grant Circle Update
Mayor gave an update on the upcoming meeting to be held with the city Engineer and the town people about the drainage project. A town meeting will be scheduled some time in March. Details to follow.
- b. City Property Insurance
With a review of the increases in property insurance, it was declared to only increase coverage on items that were most significant in running the city.
- c. Ordinance 2026-01 Speed Limit Main Street
This Ordinance has been reviewed but has been tabled for further consideration due to some councilmembers not being present to pass.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Police Department update
Chief Dunn gave an update on things going on within the city. The influx of calls that have been being received on loose dogs; there are citations that have been issued.
Chief Dunn is currently looking into applications for a 2nd Full Time Officer. Concerns were raised about the council members knowing the applicants.
- b. Community Policing Update
Mayor Creecy gave an update on the Community Policing Grant. We are still getting different programs completed for this grant
- c. Review 2026-02 Drainage Ordinance

Ordinance 2026-02 was reviewed but was put on the table due to insignificant number of council members being present.

d. 2026 Drainage Plans

Drainage plans throughout the city are still being worked out. Several agencies have come together to help Keiser with our drainage issues. Judge Nelson, District 19 Arkansas Senate Dave Wallace, Mississippi County Drainage Executive Secretary Jeremy Bennett, & City Engineer Lance Powell are working with Mayor Creecy to get some main ditches in the area cleaned out to help Keiser with some of the drainage problems.

e. Grants

1. Fire Equipment has been ordered through the Firehouse Sub Grant. This equipment is expected to start shipping in March.
2. Mayor has submitted the following grants
 1. SCIP Police Grant
 2. AARP Community Challenge for the Park
 3. AARP Demonstration Grant for the Library Parking Lot
 4. AARP Mini Grant for Senior Disaster Training
 5. BCBS KPD AED Grant
 6. SRT Body Cam Grant

OTHER BUSINESS

Some concerned citizens reached out to the mayor about installing septic tanks. Upon investigating past ordinances, citizens can have a personal septic tank if there is no sewer connection. If there is no sewer connection and a citizen installs a septic system and a sewer connection is installed in the future; then that citizen has 60 days to hook up to the sewer system.

Councilmembers brought up concerns about condemning buildings and tenants cleaning up properties. Chief of Police is taking initiative to check into laws for the city.

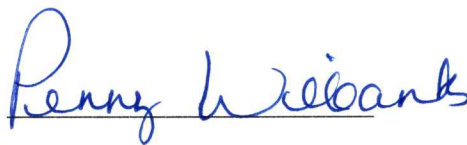
Next regular meeting is March 16, 2026.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to accept and adjourn this meeting was approved by Jackson, followed by a second from Bell, and all said aye.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.



Rick Creecy, Mayor



Penny Wilbanks, Recorder