

**City of Westwood, Kansas**  
**Special City Council Meeting**  
**4700 Rainbow Boulevard**  
**July 29, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.**

Council Present: David E. Waters, Mayor  
Jason Hannaman, Councilmember – Remotely  
Jeff Harris, Council President – Remotely  
Laura Steele, Councilmember  
Holly Wimer, Councilmember

Council Absent: Andrew Buckman, Councilmember

Staff Present: Leslie Herring, CAO/City Clerk  
Gary Baker, Police Sergeant, Interim Police Chief  
John Sullivan, Director of Public Works

**Call to Order**

Mayor David E. Waters called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on July 29, 2021. The City Clerk called the roll. A quorum was present. The evening’s meeting was held in a hybrid manner, with attendees joining both in person and via Zoom.

**Mayoral Appointments**

**Consider mayoral appointment to fill the vacated seats of Planning Commissioners Rob Junk, Ken Low and Trent Robinett**

In response to an open call for candidates to fill the seats of Westwood Planning Commissioners Rob Junk, Ken Low, and Trent Robinett, the mayor received letters of interest from five (5) residents. Following an interview process where Mayor Waters and Planning Commission Chair Sarah Page met with the interested individuals, the candidates identified here are recommended for approval to the Governing Body, pursuant to Section 1.4.2 of the Westwood zoning ordinance.

The following candidates, who all reside in Westwood are qualified appointees and are hereby nominated to serve on the Westwood Planning Commission for terms set to expire based on the vacancy each is recommended to fill.

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Residential Address</b>	<b>Replacing</b>	<b>Term Expiration</b>
Clay Fulghum,	4837 Booth Street	Rob Junk	February 2022
David Kelman,	3001 W. 50 <sup>th</sup> Terrace	Ken Low	February 2023
Mark Neibling,	2708 W. 48 <sup>th</sup> Street	Trent Robinett	February 2024

Motion by Councilmember Wimer to appoint Clay Fulghum to fill the vacancy of Rob Junk on the Westwood Planning Commission, with a term to expire February 2022 and for City Clerk Leslie Herring to administer the oath of office to Mr. Fulghum at the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission. Second by Councilmember Steele. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Councilmember Steele to appoint David Kelman to fill the vacancy of Ken Low on the Westwood Planning Commission, with a term to expire February 2023 and for City Clerk Leslie Herring to administer the oath of office to Mr. Kelman at the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission. Second by Councilmember Wimer. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Councilmember Wimer to appoint Mark Neibling to serve on the Westwood Planning Commission, for a term of three (3) years, to expire February 2024 and for City Clerk Leslie Herring to administer the oath of office to Mr. Neibling at the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission. Second by Councilmember Steele. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider mayoral appointment to office of Police Chief**

The City's Police Chief position was vacated through retirement on June 30, 2021, with Westwood Sergeant Gary Baker serving as Interim Police Chief since that date. Following an open recruitment and selection process among many highly-qualified candidates, Curt Mansell has been selected for recommendation for approval to the Governing Body, pursuant to Chapter 1 Article 3 of the Westwood City Code.

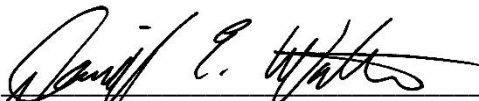
Following an extensive pre-employment process, Curt Mansell has been found to be a highly-qualified and eligible appointee and is nominated to serve as Police Chief.

Motion by Councilmember Steele to appoint Curt Mansell to serve as Police Chief for an indefinite term and for City Clerk Leslie Herring to administer the oath of office to Mr. Mansell. Second by Councilmember Wimer.

Mrs. Herring administered the Oath of Office to Chief Mansell.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Councilmember Wimer to adjourn the meeting. Second by Councilmember Steele. Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

APPROVED:   
David E. Waters, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Leslie Herring, City Clerk