



**Abilene City Commission Special Meeting Minutes  
Abilene Public Library – 209 NW Fourth Street  
March 23, 2020 @ 1:00 p.m.  
Abilene, Kansas**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call** – City Commission Present: Mayor Ostermann, Commissioners Rein, Marshall, Shafer and Witt.

Staff Present: City Manager Foltz, City Clerk Soukup, City Attorney Martin-via phone, Finance Director Rothchild.

**Old and New Business**

**3. Update the City Commission on matters relating to the COVID-19 public health emergency.**

City Manager Foltz gave an update on the COVID-19 virus. Requesting to close the city for non-essential services. Police, Fire and Public Works will work on an as needed basis. A schedule has been made for other employees to come in to run business functions.

The Recreation Center is closed for a week. Signs are being put out to keep a six-foot distance from others and not to use park equipment.

**4. Discuss and potentially take action on a temporary closure of non-essential city facilities and services and discussion and potential action on other matters related to such temporary closure.**

Motion by Commission Shafer, seconded by Commissioner Witt to authorized City Manager Foltz to authorize payments for the City during this time. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Witt to close City non-essential services until April 8<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.



Mayor Ostermann read the news release that will go out to the public.

**Adjournment**

**5. Consideration of a motion to adjourn the March 23, 2020 Special City Commission meeting.**

Motion by Commissioner Rein, seconded by Commissioner Marshall to adjourn at 1:20 pm. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.



ATTEST:

*Chris Ostermann*  
Chris Ostermann, Mayor

*Penny L. Soukup, CMC*  
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City Clerk