

**Glen Elder City Council Minutes
May 2, 2016**

The Glen Elder City Council met in regular session on Monday night at 7:00 p.m., May 2, 2016 at City Hall, with Mayor Ryan Duskie and council members: Sheila Paxson, Lindsey Clark, Barry McPeak, and Tracy Anderes. Also in attendance: Rich Miller, Chad Hallack – KDNS, Chris Wagner, Eldon Behymer, and Jerri Senger.

Minutes & Claims

The minutes of the April 4th & 27th, 2016 meetings were reviewed. Barry made the motion to approve the minutes, Tracy seconded the motion and the motion carried with four ayes.

The claims on hand for the month of April amounting to \$39,403.34, plus the outstanding Mid-Kansas Electric bill were reviewed. Tracy made a motion to approve all claims. Sheila seconded the motion and the motion carried with four ayes.

Code Enforcement

The council asked Chris Wagner to contact Larry Hiserote about his building on the corner of Kansas and Market Streets. The windows are broke and stray cats have been seen climbing in and out of the windows.

Chris reported that he visited with Jeff Holling about the Farmway Coop dust issue the morning after the last meeting. Coop will be installing a new more expensive dust collection system than they had originally planned. Jeff told Chris that within six to ten months the new system would be in place.

Chris informed the council that he will be contacting Joe Smith about the accumulation of stuff he is starting to acquire on his sidewalk.

Executive Session

At 7:10 p.m. Sheila made a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel for fifteen minutes, with the council, mayor, and Rich Miller present. Tracy seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

At 7:25 p.m. Mayor Duskie re-opened the regular meeting, with no decisions being made in the executive session.

Swimming Pool

The council reviewed the pool admission rates from last year and felt it best to leave them the same this year. The clerk asked about getting the pool manager a “staff” shirt at a cost under \$10.00. The council approved purchasing two shirts for the manager. Rich asked about purchasing a suit for a guard that substitutes on a more regular basis. The council said it would be okay to pay for half a suit for a sub-guard that works that much.

Sidewalk Project

Eldon reported that he visited with the sidewalk project contractor and they may be able to start on the project as soon as ten days. He said the contractor will have five to six guys working on the project and they will be living in town during the project. Eldon mentioned he hopes to be able to do more sidewalk than originally planned since the bid came in less than budgeted.

WAPA Contract Extension

Tracy made a motion to approve the WAPA electricity contract extension which will be good through September 30, 2054. Lindsey seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Court Cost Ordinance

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Barry made a motion to approve ordinance #698 increasing municipal court costs to \$100.00 per case. Tracy seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Annual Appointments

Mayor Duskie made the following annual appointments:

Council President	Sheila Paxson
Municipal Judge:	Bonnie Wilson
City Attorney:	Katie Schroeder
City Official Paper:	Cawker City Ledger
Financial Institution:	Central National Bank
City Clerk:	Jerri Senger
City Superintendent:	Eldon Behymer
City Maintenance:	Devon Housh
City Maintenance:	
City Treasurer:	Linda Mick
Fire Chief:	Garry Clark
Assistant Fire Chief:	Cody Thompson
Insurance Agency:	Linton Insurance
Light Committee:	Ch: Barry McPeak, Sheila Paxson, Lindsey Clark
Water/Swim Pool Committee:	Ch: Ken Kusler, Lindsey Clark, Barry McPeak
Street/Alley/Sidewalk Committee:	Ch: Sheila Paxson, Tracy Anderes, Barry McPeak
Park/Building Permit Committee:	Ch: Eldon Behymer, Lindsey Clark, Barry McPeak
Cemetery Committee:	Ch: Tracy Anderes, Ken Kusler, Sheila Paxson
Budget Committee:	Ch: Ryan Duskie and all Council Members

City Council Meetings:

1st Monday night each month at 7:00 p.m., unless a Holiday, then will be held the following night.

Authorize Clerk to pay payroll 1st of each Month.

Authorize City Clerk to pay bills prior to meeting night to avoid paying penalties.

Lindsey made a motion to approve the appointments made by the Mayor. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Employee Resignation

The council mentioned the resignation of Daniel Firebaugh, effective April 20, 2016. The Mayor recommended not getting into a hurry to hire a replacement for the full-time position. He suggested hiring another summer employee, and hire a full-time employee in August or September.

Building Permits

Eldon said that both building permit applications looked okay. Lindsey made a motion to approve building permit #16-2 a new deck, swimming pool and fence for Tom Whoolery at 301 E. Main, and #16-14 a new garage for Don Zahourek at 113 N. Mill. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

ATV Permits

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Tracy made a motion to approve ATV permits: 2016#13 for Rich and Karen Miller, 2016#14 for Farmway Coop, and 2016#15 for Larry Hiserote. Barry seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Employee Report

The council reviewed the letter from KDHE about the annual water sample average that slightly exceeds the maximum level for selenium. Eldon mentioned that he may take samples from each of the four wells to see which one is running high. Eldon reported that the new wireless control system on the wells is up and running.

Clerk Report

The council reviewed the thank you note from the Lakeside After Prom committee and the apology letters from the juveniles that broke into the baseball field shed. There was some discussion on establishing a Christmas display fund/account that residents could put money into. It was the consensus of the council that an account of this type should be run through the community club.

Council Report

Sheila asked if the city will commit to taking care of the public restroom once it is built. The council reassured her that the city will maintain the facility. Sheila said the community club will begin fund raising on the project.

There was a discussion on folks blowing grass clippings into the streets. It makes for a stinky mess around town. The council asked the clerk to put a notice on the cable channel.

The council discussed saving money on insurance with implementing a drug testing program for all employees with TMCH Services in Topeka. Lindsey made a motion to begin a drug & alcohol testing program immediately for all employees. Tracy seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

With no other business Sheila made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lindsey seconded the motion and with four council members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

(These are unofficial minutes, until approved at the next council meeting!)

Jerri Senger
City Clerk