

**Glen Elder City Council Minutes
January 3, 2017**

The Glen Elder City Council met in regular session on Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m., January 3, 2017 at City Hall, with Mayor Ryan Duskie and council members: Sheila Paxson, Tracy Anderes, Ken Kusler, and Barry McPeak. Also in attendance: Denise Jackson, Chad Hallack - KDNS, Lori Augustine, Garry Clark, Chris Wagner, Eldon Behymer, and Jerri Senger.

Minutes & Claims

The minutes of the December 5, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Barry made the motion to approve the minutes, Ken seconded the motion and the motion carried with four ayes.

The claims on hand for the month of December amounting to \$34,158.62 plus the outstanding Mid-Kansas Electric and sidewalk grant bills were reviewed. Tracy made a motion to approve the claims, along with the sidewalk grant bills after the Mayor speaks with Stuart Porter and gives final approval. Sheila seconded the motion and the motion carried with four ayes.

Fire Department

Fire Chief, Garry Clark gave the council a short list of items he wants to replace. He has three air bottles that need replaced at a cost around \$500.00 each, he wants new air packs around \$1,000.00 each, and has other bottles that will be expiring this year. The council said these purchases are within his budget. He informed the council the transmission is slipping on the 1992 green fire truck, which is the main truck. There was some discussion on how to get it repaired with concern about taking it out of service. The red 1989 fire truck is in good shape but needs valves replaced.

Public Restrooms

Denise Jackson informed the council that Jenny (Ahlvers) Russell is very confident that the City would qualify for a Dane G. Hansen grant to fund the remainder of the public restroom project. She said the application deadline is February and the community club would pay Jenny for her time. Denise asked for permission to apply for the grant in the City's name. The community club has about half the money needed for the project, so they will be asking for \$25,000.00 in grant money. She added that community club membership letters are going out this week and will be asking for restroom project donations. A change in the public restroom location was briefly discussed.

Code Enforcement

Chris Wagner informed the council he is keeping an eye on a couple properties that may need some spring clean-up. He also read an email from Farmway Coop on the progress of their new dust system.

Resolution and Ordinances

Barry made a motion to approve Resolution #17-1 to waive the GAAP requirements for the 2017 audit. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Ken made a motion to approve Ordinance #704 adopting a Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Barry seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Tracy made a motion to approve Ordinance #705 amending wages for select employees. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Wayne's Contract

The council reviewed the City expenses on the building Wayne Ronnebaum rents. Eldon said the heating and air conditioning systems need work in the future. The council would like to

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get back to the previously agreed rent amount. The council asked the clerk to contact the city attorney about the matter.

Sidewalk Project

Mayor Duskie informed the council the cap on the inlet at the corner of Allen and Marshall Streets still needs to be completed. Ryan said that he would visit with Stuart Porter about getting the project finished up and about the pay requests on the project. The project as a whole was discussed. The council feels that we got some good sidewalks for ten percent of the cost. Unfortunately the contractor had a good plan, just not good execution.

Building Permit

Barry made a motion to approve building permit #16-32 for a new dust system at the Farmway Coop elevator. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Grade School Building Bids

The Mayor opened three sealed bids on the school building. Bid #1 was for \$6,000.00, bid #2 was for \$6,599.00, and bid #3 had no amount, so it was not a valid bid. Tracy made a motion to accept the bid for \$6,599.00 from Mike Blass giving him 20 feet to the east of the building, including an easement for sewer line and baseball field access. Ken seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Clerk Report

The Clerk asked the council if they want to put any projects on the capital improvement plan. The Mayor said we need to keep putting money into the CIF for future water tower projects. He also said the council needs to think about a possible rotation on skid steers in the event that our current agreement ends. He also mentioned future purchases of a bucket truck and tractor.

The Clerk mentioned that residential trash cans will be arriving mid to late January and that she is making a list of older ladies that do not want trash cans.

Council Report

There was some discussion on CD's and the hope that a bank will come to town.

With no other business Sheila made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ken seconded the motion and with four council members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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

Jerri Senger
City Clerk