

**Glen Elder City Council Minutes
June 5, 2017**

The Glen Elder City Council met in regular session on Monday night at 7:00 p.m., June 5, 2017 at City Hall, with Mayor Ryan Duskie and council members: Sheila Paxson, Ken Kusler, Barry McPeak, and Larry Wheeler. Also in attendance: Austin Hamilton, Kayla Tonne, Andrew Clark, Dan Geist, Chris Wagner, Attorney Katie Schroeder, Eldon Behymer, and Jerri Senger.

Minutes & Claims

The minutes of the May 1, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Sheila made the motion to approve the minutes, Ken seconded the motion and the motion carried with three ayes.

The claims on hand for the month of May amounting to \$54,238.01 plus the outstanding Mid-Kansas Electric, Attorney, and Kriz-Davis bills were reviewed. Ken made a motion to approve the claims. Sheila seconded the motion and the motion carried with three ayes.

Solar Panel Request

Kayla Tonne addressed the council; she wants to put 15-20 solar panels on her garage to supply power to her house. It was mentioned that she would need a new meter that would cost her around \$300.00. The Mayor and City Superintendent want to make sure that there will be a back-feed blocker, to ensure the safety of the city crew when working on power lines during outages. Andrew Clark informed the council that she would have an AVD inverter that would automatically shut off when the main power grid is without power. Net metering was briefly discussed and it was mentioned that Glen Elder would do as Beloit does, and not pay for power fed onto our system. It was noted that the Tonnes would still be charged the monthly minimum customer fee plus any electricity they use from the city.

Dog Request

Parron Wilcoxson sent a fax to the council asking permission to have a third dog. His request stated the new puppy would be a hunting dog. Barry made a motion to allow Parron Wilcoxson to have three dogs. It was noted if complaints are received permission will be re-evaluated. Ken seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Hamilton Request

Austin Hamilton would like to purchase the building Wayne's is now located in. He said that he will be moving his taxidermy business into the back of the building and have a retail business in the front. He wants a store that serves the needs of the community. He mentioned that Wayne will be done at the end of the year. Austin is working out details with Wayne on purchasing inventory. Austin proposed a rent to own contract. The council would like a first right of refusal clause put in the contract. The city will come up with a price and proposal for the sale of the building. The matter was tabled until next month.

Geist Request

Dan Geist asked the council to put in handicap curb access to the bank and by Vic's. It was mentioned during heavy rains there is a water concern at Vic's corner. Senger Construction submitted a bid to make both corners handicapped accessible for \$4,303.82, with the city crew tearing out the old curb for the project.

Code Enforcement

Chris Wagner informed the council that he granted Jill Frost a 30-day extension to remove the abandoned vehicles from her property. He gave a list of properties that he is keeping an eye on due to tall weeds.

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5-Year WAPA Plan

The Clerk asked the council for approval on the 5-year plan she completed as a requirement for receiving WAPA electricity. Barry made a motion to approve the plan and Larry seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ayes.

Fireworks Sale License

Larry made a motion to approve a fireworks sale license to Shauna Remus, with a 50-foot restriction from shooting off fireworks around the stand. Her stand will be located at 345 N. Hobart again this year. Barry seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

ATV Permits

Barry made a motion to approve ATV permit #10 for Brian & Christine Winkel. Ken seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes.

Farmway Coop Land Survey

The council reviewed the proposed land swap (survey) between the City and Farmway Coop to get owned lots next to each other on the south side of the square. Ken made a motion to swap land per the survey. Larry and Barry voiced their concerns. The motion died due to lack of second. The council tabled this matter until next month.

Employee Report

Eldon asked the council if he could repair the corner of Kansas and Hobart Streets with concrete. He would be replacing a 34 x 36 foot strip; the concrete will be cheaper and last longer than hot mix. He said the total cost of the project will be about \$6,300.00. The council said to do it and use the bushel money.

There was some discussion on remodeling the office.

Clerk Report

The Clerk informed the council of the thank you received from Lakeside After-Prom. She also said the first quarter bushel check was received from Farmway Coop for \$19,652.75. That money was put into the Capital Improvement Plan.

Executive Session

The council asked the city crew to spray for mosquitoes. Eldon mentioned that the spray he has now leaves a residue. Barry told Eldon that the cemetery looked great over the Memorial holiday. Ken asked permission to close off the street in front of HeBrews on June 15th for the VBS dinner.

With no other business Sheila made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Barry 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