

**Glen Elder City Council Minutes  
February 3, 2025**

The Glen Elder City Council met in regular session on Monday night at 7:00 p.m., February 3, 2025, at City Hall with Mayor Sheila Paxson presiding and council members: Lori Augustine, Lindsey Clark, Landen Cleveland, Kevin Noller, and Angie Behymer present. Also in attendance: Russell Ingle, Brandon Tritsch, Attorney Scott Wright, Devon Housh, and Jerri Senger.

**Minutes & Claims**

The minutes of the January 6, 2025, meeting were reviewed. Angie made a motion to approve the minutes. Kevin seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes. Landen arrived.

The claims on hand for the month of January amounted to \$61,716.52, plus the outstanding Sunflower Electric Power, Rolling Hills Electric, and WorldPay bills were reviewed. Lindsey made a motion to approve the claims. Lori seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

**Code Enforcement**

Attorney Scott Wright presented four resolutions for dangerous and unfit structures at 200 N. Vine, 208 N. Vine, 408 E. Allen, and 412 E. Allen Streets. He said once the resolutions are approved by the council, they will need to be published two consecutive weeks in the paper, and certified letters will need to be sent to the property owners. He also mentioned the city may need to post a copy on the door of each house. Scott informed the council he set the hearing, on these structures, for the April 7<sup>th</sup> council meeting at 7:00 pm. Landen made a motion to approve the four resolutions, #2025-2 through #2025-5. Lindsey second the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

No decisions were made to fill the code enforcement officer position, at this time.

**Dream Big 2.0 Grant**

The strategic town-wide meeting for the \$10,000.00 Dream Big 2.0 Grant money will be held on Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at the Library Community Room, at 6:30pm. The council discussed door prizes, gift certificates to be used at in-town businesses, and refreshments for the meeting. The council is excited about this grant opportunity and hopes residents will help come up with a new project to use the money on.

**Kansas Dept. of Commerce Grant**

The clerk mentioned the Kansas Department of Commerce Grant application is due by February 28<sup>th</sup>. The city will be applying for grant funds to purchase new wayfinding signs to be put up around town.

**Water Emergency Plan**

The council briefly discussed the updated water emergency plan for the city. Angie made a motion to approve the plan as written. Lindsey seconded the motion. The vote carried with five ayes.

### **Mural Update**

The clerk contacted Emily Benedick and there is no update on the new mural. Emily will be contacting the artists. It was mentioned that Emily is concerned about the mural on the side of the Daycare, now that it is closed and the building has sold.

### **Employee Report**

Devon said they are putting in a new fuel system on the old red fire truck and the car wash has been busy.

### **Clerk's Report**

The council reviewed the January utility connect list. The clerk mentioned she disconnected a delinquent utility customer, not on the list.

The employee's Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance had a slight decrease in the premiums. Angie made a motion to approve the grandfathered Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance plan for 2025. Landen seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

There was a brief discussion on the calls from a resident concerned about the potential of noise at a new RV park next to his residence.

### **Council Report**

Kevin mentioned the Lions Club has applied for the Solomon Valley Community Foundation Grant through the city's account. The funds will help with the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Fun Run, to be held on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Angie reported the swimming pool has five lifeguards for this summer and the pool manager is finding a new location to have guards certified, as Beloit is no longer an option.

Angie expressed concern about a property in the northeast corner of town that is looking really bad.

Scott Wright mentioned the movie Sod & Stubble has been purchased. He said the movie cast will be in Wichita on March 28<sup>th</sup> and in Downs on March 29<sup>th</sup> for the public to meet.

The mayor stated she will not be running for the mayor's position. Angie Behymer and Lori Augustine both said they will be running for council positions.

### **Third Dog Request**

Russell Ingle asked the council for permission to have three dogs at his residence. He said he is keeping his son's dog. The dog is older and has health issues. The council granted him permission for the three dogs.

With no other business, Lindsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Landen seconded the motion and with five council members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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

Jerri Senger  
City Clerk