

April 3, 2023

**Glen Elder City Council Minutes
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The Glen Elder City Council met in regular session on Monday night at 7:00 p.m., April 3, 2023, at City Hall with Mayor Sheila Paxson presiding and council members: Lori Augustine, Dan Winkel, Landen Cleveland, Barry McPeak, and Angie Behymer present. Also in attendance: James Reed, Scott Smith, Kevin Noller, Eldon Behymer, Attorney Scott Wright, Devon Housh, and Jerri Senger.

Minutes & Claims

The minutes of the March 6, 2023, meeting were reviewed. Barry made the motion to approve the minutes, Angie seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

The claims on hand for the month of March amounted to \$106,684.98, plus the outstanding Sunflower Electric Power, Rolling Hills Electric, and WorldPay bills were reviewed. Landen made a motion to approve the claims. Dan seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Code Enforcement

James Reed, Code Enforcement Officer, informed the council there no violations at this time. He expects to get busy with warmer weather and some rain.

Utility Connect Ordinance

Landen made a motion to approve Ordinance #752 – which amends the connect fee ordinance adding additional weekend and holiday rates at \$60.00 per meter. Barry seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Resolution #23-2

Angie asked about Section 5 (a) (b), as it no longer applies. Angie made a motion to approve Resolution #23-2 – which updates the equipment and use fees, striking Section 5 (a) (b). Dan seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Personnel Rules & Regulations

Lori made a motion to adopt the new Personnel Rules & Regulations with the approval of Resolution #23-3. Landen seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes. The council asked to have the Personnel Rules & Regulations reviewed annually.

Fire Department

Barry made a motion to approve Tayson Romero as a new city fireman. Lori seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Summer Help

Devon reported they have only received one application for summer help.

Lakes & Waters Byway

The council discussed the upcoming April 12th tourism meeting in Beloit trying to establish a *Lakes & Waters Byway* for Highway 24 between Clay Center and Cawker City. The Mayor and Landen plan to attend this meeting.

EMC Insurance

The council reviewed the EMC Insurance policy information on the table. Increasing the deductible would've been a minimal savings. Approval to renew the EMC Insurance policy was voted on at the March meeting.

Glen Elder Mural

Greg Holdren plans to begin painting the mural on the Cunningham building around June 4th. Funds are still needed for the project.

Building Permits

Barry made a motion to approve building permits: #23-7 – a building extension for Dave Stortz at 129 S. Mill, and #23-8 a new car port for Brian Kennedy at 213 E. Allen. Landen seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Employee Report

Devon said the city crew is getting busy with projects. He mentioned the booster station project should be completed next week and all the wells are up and running. The council commented on how well the millings look around well #3.

Clerk's Report

The clerk will be on vacation April 12 through April 18. Linda will be in the office those days, except April 18. The clerk asked permission to shorten office hours to 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 to 3:00 pm, during that time and closing the office on Tuesday, April 18. The council approved the adjusted office hours.

Stortz Stop 'N Shop will have their Grand Opening on April 14, 15, and 16 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm.

The clerk asked permission to purchase each of the lifeguards a hat; in addition to a suit and tank top. The council approved the purchase.

Council Report

Lori has some black paint she would like to use on the Wilson Neff Sign. The council discussed how the sign needs to be refurbished.

With no other business, Barry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lori seconded the motion and with five council members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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

Jerri Senger
City Clerk