

August 1, 2022

**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., August 1, 2022, 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: Cheyenne Sun Eagle, Tom Ford, Wayne Augustine, Kevin Bruce, Cheyanne Clark arrived at 7:45pm, James Reed, Devon Housh, Attorney Scott Wright, Eldon Behymer, and Jerri Senger.

Minutes & Claims

The minutes of the July 5, 2022, meeting were reviewed. Barry made the motion to approve the minutes, Lori seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

The claims on hand for the month of July amounted to \$85,597.32, plus the outstanding Sunflower Electric Power, Rolling Hills Electric, Kansas One-Call, 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

Code Officer James Reed informed the council July was a busy month, but all issues are under control. The council reviewed his July code enforcement report.

National Flood Insurance Program

Cheyenne Sun Eagle, a NFIP Specialist with the Kansas Department of Agriculture presented the council with information, the application, and an example of the resolution needed to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Cheyenne said the NFIP is a voluntary federal program. She said their goal is to protect the lives and property of citizens from the effects of a flood disaster. Both Beloit and Mitchell County participate in the program. Glen Elder has never participated in the NFIP. There is no direct charge to the community to participate in the program. She said by participating in the program property owners are able to purchase flood insurance and the community is able to apply for assistance grants. It was mentioned that if participating in the program all federally backed mortgages within the identified flood hazard areas will be required to have flood insurance. Regular homeowners' insurance does not cover flood damages. Cheyenne said there are sanctions on communities that do not participate in the program. The council asked how many structures in town would be affected or required get flood insurance. Cheyenne will email her answer.

Mitchell County Murals

The daycare will have a small mural painted on their building. The council discussed more locations in town suitable for a mural. The east wall of the Legion building or the south wall of the public rest rooms were discussed. The council would like a mural artist to come into town, give their ideas on the best location and a mural theme. The council asked to have Emily Benedick invited to the next meeting.

Court Fines

Scott Wright presented the council with Ordinance #745 which amends section 2-206 the fines for dogs running at large. First offense, the fine is not to exceed \$100.00, plus board bill. Second offense within a one-year period, shall pay a fine of \$150.00 plus the board bill. The

third and all subsequent offenses within a one-year period, shall pay a fine of \$200.00 plus the board bill. Landen made a motion to adopt Ordinance #745 amending the fines for dogs running at large. Lori seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Scott listed other types of violations and their related fines. The goal is to allow the judge flexibility to set fines as he sees best for each situation.

Swimming Pool Update

The last day of the 2022 pool season will be Sunday, August 14. The clerk will begin advertising for a 2023 pool manager.

Ordinances

Landen made a motion to approve Ordinance #742 adopting the 2022 Kansas Uniform Public Offense Codes and Ordinance #743 adopting the 2022 Standard Traffic Ordinances of Kansas. Lori seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Barry made a motion to approve Ordinance #744 setting the council meeting times at 7:00 pm. Landen seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

City Lots

Tom Ford expressed his interest in purchasing the city's corner lot. Tom said he wants to build two buildings, one for his gallery and the other for his studio. The gallery will be built on the corner lot. He is working on purchasing the two CVA lots between the city owned lots, for his studio.

Wayne addressed the council. He said he is also interested in the corner lot. Wayne said there is interest in him opening a parts store north of his shop. Wayne explained how he would like to build a drive-thru bay to the west of his existing building. He said the trucks would pull into the bay off of Kansas Street.

There was quit a bit of discussion on if the council wanted to sell the corner lot outright or put it out for bids with guidelines. The council would like the lot to have a building on it within two years. The council would also like the city to have the right of first refusal. Leasing the old Legion lot was discussed. The appraised value of both lots was discussed. After a lengthy discussion, Angie made a motion to sell Tom Ford both the corner and old Legion lots for \$10,000.00. Landen seconded the motion and the vote carried with four ayes. Lori abstained from voting. Scott Wright will draft a contract.

Building Permits

Dan made a motion to approve building permit application #22-16 a new fence for Doug Walker at 300 N. Center, Lot #4. Landen seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

Employee Report

Eldon said water booster pumps are ordered. Eldon stated the price of the pumps remained the same at \$20,000.00. He said the new booster pump building is now done. Eldon said they are waiting on parts to finish the project.

Devon Housh reported the Fire Department raffle was a success and brought in about \$12,500.00. He said they received a donation from the Guaranty State Bank's blue jean fund.

Devon, John, Mayor Paxson, and council member Behymer all attended the lead and copper rule revisions training in Hays on July 20, 2022. Devon reported on the changes coming from the EPA and State of Kansas on the new Lead and Copper Rural under the Safe Drinking Water Act. He said every city in the state will be required to take an inventory of all water

service lines. This survey will include what each line is made of from the meter into each house, trailer house, business, or RV. He said all lead lines must be replaced. The city will need residents help to identify what their home's water lines are made of and the year those lines were installed. This survey needs to be done by October 2024.

Clerk's Report

The clerk mentioned working on getting bids to replace the south fence at the Pioneer Cemetery. The goal is to apply for the Solomon Valley Community Foundation Grant in January to help fund the fence replacement project.

Council Reports

Angie commented on how beautiful Fun Day was. Safety of the kids gathering candy during the parade was discussed. Discussion continued on who would be liable if someone was hurt during the parade, whether it would be the city or the community club.

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 9:00 p.m.

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

Jerri Senger
City Clerk