

August 5, 2019

**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 5, 2019 at City Hall, with Mayor Ryan Duskie and council members: Sheila Paxson, Barry McPeak and Larry Wheeler present. Also in attendance: Micah Brown, Austen Hamilton, Darel Stuart, Eldon Behymer, and Jerri Senger.

**Minutes & Claims**

The minutes of the July 1, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Barry made the motion to approve the minutes, Larry seconded the motion and the motion carried with three ayes. The claims on hand for the month of July amounting to \$117,186.64 plus the outstanding Mid-Kansas Electric and Cawker City Ledger bills were reviewed. Sheila made a motion to approve the claims. Larry seconded the motion and the motion carried with three ayes.

**Dog Request**

Micah Brown asked the council for permission to keep his new Springer Spaniel/Pitbull mixed puppy. He informed the council he has insurance on the dog. The dog is neutered, has his rabies vaccination, and city tags. Larry made a motion to approve Micah to keep the dog unless future problems arise. Barry seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes.

**Anniversary Promotion**

Austen Hamilton addressed the council. Since there will not be a Fun Day or Chili Cook-off in town he would like to host an all-day event. This Anniversary Promotion will be held Saturday, September 14, 2019 on his lot north of his store. He would like to have a beer garden, games for young and old, a rib cook-off, a scavenger hunt, and possibly entertainment. Darel Stuart added, they would like all the businesses in town to get involved. Picnic tables and port-a-potties will be needed. The council approved the idea.

**2020 Budget Hearing**

Ryan opened the public hearing on the 2020 budget. The Clerk went over the budget. With no comment on the budget, the public hearing was officially closed. Barry made a motion to approve the 2020 budget as written. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes.

**Code Enforcement Report**

There was a brief discussion on the property clean up bills. Katie will be drafting an ordinance for the September meeting concerning past due bills. The council also briefly discussed liquid or gas storage containers.

**STO & UPOC Ordinances**

Barry made a motion to approve Ordinance #725 adopting the 2019 Kansas Uniform Public Offense Codes and Ordinance #726 adopting the 2019 Standard Traffic Ordinances of Kansas. Larry seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes.

**Charter Ordinance #10**

Mayor Duskie phoned Landen Cleveland and put him on speaker. Sheila made a motion to approve Charter Ordinance #10 which sets the start date of regular term elected officers on the first Monday in December, following a November general election. Landen seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes, including a vote from the Mayor.

### **Library Board**

Barry made a motion to appoint Debbie Stalcup to serve on the Library Board, effective immediately. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes.

### **Building Permits**

Barry made a motion to approve building permit #19-11 a new fence for Terry Petzoldt at 333 N. Nash, #19-12 move in a storage shed, build a new fence and deck for Terri Saltzman at 209 E. Kansas. Larry seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes. There was a brief discussion on Volnek's permit application and the council decided a permit was not needed and a refund would be issued.

### **Auditors**

The council reviewed the overview of the auditor proposals and discussed information on the firms that presented proposals. Barry made a motion to hire Jarred, Gilmore, and Phillips Certified Public Accountants from Chanute, Kansas to conduct the 2019 Audit. Larry seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes.

### **Employee Report**

Eldon informed the council of the current problems maintaining water pressure at the water tower's booster station. He asked for permission to install a three-inch pump with a new frequency drive. He said he would like to keep a backup pump on hand as well. He presented the quote from Boettcher Supply for \$2,600.26. Barry made a motion to purchase the new three-inch pump and drive. Sheila seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes.

Eldon said that he would like the council to enter into a contract with Central Tank Coatings to inspect and clean the inside of the water tank every three years. He said they quoted a price of \$2,500.00 each time they conduct the inspections. Eldon will have a maintenance contract at the September meeting for the council to review and approve.

Eldon said the East welcome sign will be put up tomorrow. They will be installing LED lighting at both signs, as solar lights are too expensive. He mentioned they will trench power approximately 600 feet to the west sign.

### **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk approved ATV Permits for Terri Saltzman, Vicki Stuart, David Bialas, and Jenica Behymer.

### **New Council Appointment**

After taking some ribbing from the council, Darel Stuart said that he would be interested in becoming a council member again. Mayor Duskie appointed Darel Stuart to fill the open council position previously held by Ken Kusler. Sheila made a motion to approve Darel in the open position which will be up for election in November. Larry seconded the motion and the vote carried with three ayes. Darel took the official oath of office.

With no other business Sheila made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Larry seconded the motion and with four council members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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

Jerri Senger, City Clerk