Glen Elder City Council Special Minutes
August 12, 2026

The Glen Elder City Council met in special session on Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m., August 12, 2026, 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 Stuart Porter, Devon Housh, and Jerri Senger.

Waterline Project

Stuart Porter, Professional Engineer with Schwab-Eaton, informed the council his office is currently working on the design and plans for Glen Elder's waterline replacement project. This project will replace cast iron water mains with lead joints and goose neck service connections on Main Street from the blending building to the water tower. The city was awarded the 2026 Kansas Water Office's (KWO) Technical Assistance Grant for $83,000.00. Stuart said it is grant season again and the KWO Construction Grant application deadline is September 15, 2026. He stated the City of Glen Elder did not rank high enough on the project priority list to receive KDHE's State Revolving Fund loan. Stuart said the KWO grant will be much more competitive than in years past, as they have revamped the program. He feels that future grants will be even harder to receive as they have opened the grant to larger cities in Kansas. Stuart did mention the city might have the option of applying for a National Rural Water Loan. Stuart stated the construction of the waterline replacement project should cost around $630,000.00, which includes 15% contingencies. Stuart suggested the city pledge 40%, or $252,000.00, of the construction cost to show KWO the city is in full support of getting this project done in 2027. Stuart said if awarded, in March 2027, the project could be completed by Christmas of 2027 or mid-2028 at the very latest. The council reviewed the financial reports on the city's water fund and capital improvement fund. Landen made a motion to submit a KWO construction grant application next month and the city to pledge 40% or $252,000.00 from the water fund towards the project. Lori seconded the motion and the vote carried with five ayes.

With no other business, Lindsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kevin seconded the motion and with five council members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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

Jerri Senger
City Clerk