

Minutes of the Goessel City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Mon., August 23, 2021
Civic Center Community Room

Present: Mayor Dave Schrag; Council Members Duane Adrian, Ben Schmidt, Dean Snelling, Kevin Klassen, Evan Esau; City Clerk, Jennifer Bliss; Police, Anthony Voth; Free Press Reporter

Absent: Karen Dalke – Public Works

Call Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing to Order:

- Mayor Schrag called the rate hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.
- No public was present for the rate hearing so there were no comments.
- **B Schmidt moved, seconded by E Esau to adopt Resolution 21-09 allowing the city to exceed the revenue neutral rate if needed. Motion carried.**
- Revenue Neutral Rate hearing closed at 6:05 p.m.

Call Budget Hearing to Order:

- Mayor Schrag called the budget hearing to order at 6:05 p.m.
- No public was present for the budget hearing so there were no comments.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by B Schmidt to adopt the proposed budget as written. Motion carried.**
- Budget hearing closed at 6:14 p.m.

Call Regular Meeting to Order:

- Mayor Schrag called the regular council meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

Consent Agenda:

- **K Klassen moved, seconded by D Adrian to accept the minutes from the July 19th regular council meeting and the financial report. Motion carried.**

Engineering Agreement for Schrag Addition:

- BG Consultants submitted a proposal to do engineering plans to get utilities to the Schrag addition of town. The proposal to write up the plans comes in at a total of \$3,250.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by B Schmidt to approve the agreement with BG Consultants for \$3,250. Motion carried.**

Part-Time Officer:

- Douglas Dick put in an application with interest of becoming a part-time officer for the city. He currently works full-time for the county sheriff's office and part-time with Hillsboro PD. Right now, he is not wanting to commit to any hours to work but wanted to have his application on file for future use.

STO Ordinance #294:

- Council reviewed the ordinance to incorporate the Standard Traffic Ordinance 2021 Edition.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by B Schmidt to adopt Ordinance #294 Standard Traffic Ordinance Edition 2021. Motion carried.**

UPOC Ordinance #295:

- Council reviewed the ordinance to incorporate the Uniform Public Offense Code 2021 Edition.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by D Snelling to adopt Ordinance #295 Uniform Public Offense Code 2021 Edition. Motion carried.**

Park:

- Reviewed and email regarding the expansion of the playground. Discussed a potential piece of equipment that would satisfy the 0-2 age range. No decision at this time was made. We will keep looking into our options.

Streets:

- Discussed milling and overlaying our side streets. Mayor Schrag estimated it would cost the city around \$900,000 to do so plus establishing a base. We discussed the need for the annual maintenance if we were to pave the streets. We also talked about using a spray to keep the dust

down. If we used the spray the streets would not be able to be graded because it would disturb the spray layer.

- Evan suggest we have Brice Goebel come to our council meeting next month to get his insight on any options that we would have for the streets. It was decided to have the clerk invite him to our next meeting.

Clerk:

- There is a hazard mitigation grant available that could possibly help the city with the cost of replacing culverts, cleaning out creeks/ditches and upgrading drainage. Clerk has emailed the entity in charge of the grant to see what all could be covered with this grant.

Other Business:

- Mayor Schrag mentioned that if COVID cases continue to increase, we could be looking at a Zoom meeting for next months meeting. As we get closer, we will make that decision.
- The public open house for the new floodplain was held. The maps are still pending and are not yet active. Mayor Schrag mentioned letting those affected by the changes know that they can get insurance now and be locked into a lower price rather than wait and get insurance once it is required because it will be much more costly.
- Steve is cleaning up the station fairly well. He has a contract for the cardboard and will be hauling it off soon. It is the plan to have everything moved inside of the building so that it cannot be seen.

Adjournment:

- **D Adrian moved, seconded by K Klassen to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried.**

Dave Schrag, Mayor

Jennifer Bliss, City Clerk