

Minutes of the Goessel City Council Meeting

6:00 p.m., Monday, October 20, 2025

Civic Center Community Room

Present: Mayor, Evan Esau; Council Members, Duane Adrian, Amanda Voth, Sam Griffin, John Stucky; City Clerk, Jennifer Bliss; Public Works, Alex Goossen; City Attorney, Reece Hiebert; Police, James Bowlin

Absent: Ariel Kraus, Anthony Voth

Guests: Jim Schmidt, Luanne Soukup, Jennifer Adams, Nathan Ashley

Call to Order:

- Mayor Esau called the regular council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda:

- **A Voth moved, seconded by S Griffin to accept the regular meeting minutes from the September 15th meeting and the financial report. Motion carried.**

Public Comment:

- Members of the public were present, but no comments were made.

Variance Request:

- The Guerrero's submitted a request for a variance to allow them to keep 2 ducks in city limits.
- **S Griffin moved, seconded by D Adrian to allow the Guerrero's the variance allowing 2 female ducks and following the same rules and regulations as described in 2-109 with references to 2-113. Motion carried.**

Public Works:

- The city shop is looking like it is time to refresh the paint job on the city shop. There has been interest in someone wanting to do the actual painting. Alex could do the painting, but we do not have the equipment, and his time is somewhat limited. He is willing to do the prep prior to having the building painted. Decision to get some bids to see what costs we would be looking at.
- Get a quote for a mini split unit for the office to replace the outdated air conditioner and the heater.
- Alex is looking into prices to order some more sand and rock for the streets and stockpile.

Police:

- James attended a training course and will provide the council with the information that he learned from this training.

Public Officer:

- Provided a write up of the number of violations and types that she has issued over the last month.

Other Business:

- Fire Department memorandum of understanding. Nathan Ashley and Jim Schmidt attended the council meeting to discuss the draft of the memorandum of understanding. We went line item by line item and discussed any changes that need to be made.
- Library memorandum of understanding. Council reviewed the library draft once more that was edited by the attorney from the last discussion.
- Will come back next month with the nuisance code notification ordinance update.
- Will need to draft a cancellation letter for the camera contract and submit it to Securitas in November.
- Harvest Festival went well and there was a decent crowd. People like the location at the park so we will continue to use that location.
- Mayor Esau would like to schedule a time for everyone to get together and redo the Christmas lights together. November 8th starting around 9:00 in the morning.
- We have the official traffic study complete. Will need to get with the school to find out if the grant program is available and how they would like to proceed.
- Discussed the park grant that was put in for last week.

- A Voth moved, seconded by S Griffin to purchase the equipment, pay for shipping and tariffs and the supervised installation of the park equipment not to exceed \$43,000. Motion carried.
- Discussed some options that were given for adding a bridge in the park for the disc golf course. J Stucky is going to reach out to Jost Fabrication to see about getting a bid.
- Tornado siren – J Stucky did some more checking with Blue Valley Public Safety for their option to automatically set off the tornado siren.
- Phone options – presented a quote from Nex-Tech and will investigate further options.
- December council meeting to be moved due to a school program. The decision to hold the meeting on December 8th at 6:00 p.m.

Executive Session:

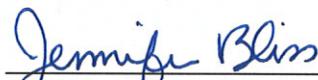
- A Voth moved, seconded by S Griffin to enter an executive session for 5 minutes with mayor and council present to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Motion carried.
- Returned to normal session. Nothing to report.

Adjournment:

- D Adrain moved, seconded by J Stucky to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried.



Evan Esau, Mayor



Jennifer Bliss, City Clerk