

Minutes of the Goessel City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Mon., May 17, 2021
Civic Center Community Room

Present: Mayor Dave Schrag; Council Members Kevin Klassen, Ben Schmidt, Duane Adrian, Evan Esau, Dean Snelling; City Clerk, Jennifer Bliss; Public Works Karen Dalke; Free Press Reporter

Call to Order:

- Mayor Schrag called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda:

- **B Schmidt moved, seconded by D Snelling to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes from the April 19th regular council meeting and the financial report. Motion carried.**

Chelsea Morris - USDA:

- We called Chelsea Morris with USDA regarding our application for community facilities grant to cover 1/3 of the cost of a backhoe. Chelsea was working on getting the information finalized and presented the council with the necessary paperwork to finish out the process. The grant offered is for \$34,000.
- **D Adrian moved, seconded by D Snelling to adopt resolution 21-08 allowing the mayor to execute the documents. Motion carried.**

Fireworks Sales Permit Application

- Bill Froese requested permission and paid the applicable application fee to be allowed to sell fireworks in city limits. The council reviewed the application.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by E Esau to approve the fireworks sales permit application. Motion carried.**

Cleanup Homes/Station

- Need to get an itemized list for Steve to tell him exactly what the city wants to have cleaned up on his property.

Community Room Television:

- Mayor Schrag showed the council how the fire stick would work and showed some pictures on the television of the city after the recent rain. It was found that there were issues with certain devices hooking up to the firestick and this included the council tablets. Therefore, at this time the city decided not to purchase a television for the community room.

Public Works:

- Dump truck is now fixed. It had water in the oil.
- Replaced the clutch in the grader. The part cost \$1,600 and Dave & Karen installed it with the help of mechanic Mike Jost.
- Lighting fixed some of the components at the water wells and there were not working. Funk Electric was able to come out and repair it. The only thing that will now need replaced is the dialer for the telemetry system. The old one is not made anymore and needs upgraded to cell phone service. Comm-Tronix submitted a cost for the dialer for \$2,950.
- **B Schmidt moved, seconded by K Klassen to approve the quote of \$2,950 to replace the dialer. Motion carried.**
- Put rock down on streets and keeping up with mowing.
- The lift station pump has been put back in and the impeller was replaced on the other pump.
- Mayor Schrag would like to see some tools purchased out of the equipment fund. There are certain tools that Public Works is needing that they don't currently have. Council then discussed an allowance amount for Public Works to purchase tools.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by D Adrian to allow Public Works up to \$1,000 to spend on tools. Motion carried.**

Clerk:

- The city will be receiving ARPA funding soon. It is expected to receive half the allotted amount this year and then half the same time next year. The funding will have to be spent by 2024. The department of the treasury is going to be issuing more guidance on how the money can be spent soon. The League of Kansas Municipalities also said there is a possibility for infrastructure funding in the future. This funding would be available for project such as stormwater drainage.
- The auditor came down and did his field work last week. Since we received over \$750,000 in federal funds, a single audit in addition to the annual audit will need to be performed. This additional audit is expected to cost around \$5,000 extra. The clerk has requested a payment from the USDA grant to cover this additional expenditure.

Other business:

- Flooding was briefly discussed and the need for some of the downstream creek beds to be cleared of their log jams. Mayor Schrag called and asked about funding to help with this and he was told that there is no funding for this.

Adjournment:

- **D Adrian moved, seconded by B Schmidt to adjourn at 7:15 pm. Motion carried.**

Dave Schrag, Mayor

Jennifer Bliss, City Clerk