

**Minutes of the Goessel City Council Meeting**  
**6:00 p.m., Mon., October 18, 2021**  
**Civic Center Community Room**

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

Guests: John Stucky, Matt Lehman Wiens, Dwight Flaming

Called to order at 6:00 pm

**Consent Agenda:**

- **K Klassen moved, seconded by E Esau to accept the consent agenda which included the minutes of the September 20th regular meeting and financial report. Motion carried.**

**John Stucky – Disc Golf Course:**

- John presented proposals for signs and a logo for the disc golf course. They will be testing out the proposed new layout to make sure that the holes are going to work where they are and make adjustments as needed. Talked a little bit about having a bridge and the need for it to have minimal amount of water blockage.

**Matt Lehman Wiens – Goessel Community Foundation:**

- Matt attended the council meeting representing both the Community Foundation and Bethesda home to share that there is a T-Mobile Communities Grant available that has the intention of revitalizing cities with less than 50,000 people. Bethesda would like to apply for the grant money to help fix a bridge that has become a safety hazard. The grant available is up to \$50,000. Bethesda would need \$15,000 to replace their bridge and that would leave another \$35,000 left for other projects if the grant is awarded. He suggested a project to increase ADA compliance or revitalize sidewalks in town. It was discussed to continue the walking path around the ball diamonds that was never completed. Council was on board and agreed that if the grant money was awarded, we could definitely come up with a use for it.

**David Johnson:**

- David Johnson did not appear at the council meeting to request an extension on the cleanup of his property. Council did go ahead and give him an extra 90 days and then we will reassess at that time.

**Brice Goebel:**

- Brice Goebel was unable to attend in person. The council would prefer this so we briefly discussed the streets. It was suggested that we survey the town and find out what citizens want done with the streets. If we put numbers on the survey, this will help people understand the true costs of paving and what it could potentially do to their taxes.

**Animal Control Officer:**

- Dave is willing to serve as the animal control officer for the city once he goes off the board. Tabled the decision until January meeting.

**Sidewalk Light Replacement:**

- The lights along the sidewalk by the city building are in sad shape. They need to be replaced. Clerk will look into lights and bring the information to the next council meeting.

**Police:**

- Discussed hiring a part-time officer. Discussed what wages and hours we will pay to try to attract someone in coming to Goessel to work.
- **D Snelling moved, seconded by D Adrian to pay \$22 per hour with up to 10 hours per week. Motion carried.**

**Other Business:**

- **B Schmidt moved, seconded by D Snelling to hire Kaylee Penner as the building custodian at \$10 per hour and up to 4 hours per week. Motion carried.**

**Adjournment:**

- **B Schmidt moved, seconded by D Adrian to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. Motion carried.**