

**CITY OF GOOSE LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 19, 2023**

Mayor Ken Schoon called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council Members present included: Mike Mattis, Mike Schmidt, Darrin Farrell, Matt Cain, and Josh Spain. Also attending the meeting: Sargent Matt Owens, Fire Chief Kevin Cain, Wastewater Operator Tom Witt. M/S, Cain-Farrell moved to adopt the agenda as presented. On roll call, carried unanimously. M/S: Mattis-Schmidt moved to approve the consent agenda. On roll call, carried unanimously. The consent agenda includes minutes of the December 15, 2022 regular meeting, the treasurer's report, financial reports, and the following new bills.

Alliant Utilities	2116.96	Preston Ambulance services	45.90
Preston Telephone	248.75	Cenady Soenksen-deliver newsletter	20.00
TIAA,FSB -copier lease fee	122.91	Clinton County Sheriff's contract fee	873.76
Employee Salaries	2099.14	Lectronic's - monthly monitoring	40.00
Republic Services - hauling fee	1775.76	Water Services, Inc.-water operations	383.38
IPERS - December wage report	430.47	IA Dept of Revenue - withholding tax	120.00
IRS - 4 th qtr. Report	2195.52	IA Dept of Revenue - Sales/WET tax	411.13
Lisa Schoon - snow shoveling	54.00	Ken Schoon - reimburse for mileage	16.20
Meyer Pest Control	35.00	ClerkBooks, Inc. - check & training	1079.04
Hawkins Inc. - Chlorine	219.20	Water Solutions Unlimited- phosphate	866.10
The Observer - publishing	123.93	Northway Well & Pump Co. - well repairs	20001.52
State Hygienic Lab-water test	13.50	River Valle Coop - fuel @ city hall	2849.42
Postmaster - stamps	581.60	Teresa Lindstrom - reimbursements	81.87

Expenses for December were General \$6799.12, RUT \$810.60, County Contributions \$0.00, Local Option Sales Tax \$4250.00, Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, ARPA \$0.00, Water \$5796.58, SRF Sinking Fund \$187.00, Water Trust \$0.00, Sewer \$3171.27, Sewer Sinking Fund \$0.00, Garbage \$1994.36. Revenues for December were General \$8784.03, Insurance \$146.68, RUT \$1982.14, County Contribution \$0.00, Local Option Sales Tax \$5661.41, ARPA \$0.00, Capital Projects Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, Water \$6553.12, Water Trust \$0.00, SRF Sinking Fund \$3000.00, Sewer \$4175.19, Sewer Sinking Fund \$1500.00 Garbage \$2147.00.

The monthly Sheriff's report was sent in by Sheriff Bill Greenwalt. There were 48:19 total hours logged for the month; 39 calls for service; 5 citations or warnings; 3 cases reported. Marty Jahn, Water Operator, sent a report on the Water Department stating the monthly reports and tests have been sent to the DNR. Tom Witt, Wastewater Operator was present to report on the progress of the Lagoon Project and answer Councils' questions.

Fire Chief Kevin Cain was present to give the Council and annual update as well as the prior months report. Cain stated in the last month there were 2 training sessions held. They also assisted in 4 fire calls with Charlotte. There were 1 EMS calls in rural Charlotte the Department responded to. A regular business meeting was held, a County Firemen's Association meeting in DeWitt was also attended and an appreciation meal at the fire station was held on December 21st for the Volunteer Firefighters.

In addition to the above activities, the Fire Department welcomed two new members bringing the total to 27 Volunteer Firefighters in Goose Lake. Cain also stated there are two fund raiser activities scheduled: the first is a large craft show on February 18th held at both the Millennium and the Community Center. There are over 45 vendors signed up so far. The second event is the annual Trivia Night. This will be held on March 18th. The proceeds for these 2 events will be going towards the Fire Department. Cain stated he will be attending an active shooter response training on January 25th-26th. He will also attend an ISO Evaluation training on March 28th. Cain also stated he received a quote for medical physicals as required by the current insurance carrier. The physical cost per firefighter is approximately \$350.00. The physicals are required every 5 years for those under 50 years of age, for those over the age of 50, it is required every 3 years. Council may look at another insurance carrier.

Mayor Schoon stated he spoke with Janice Bormann of the Goose Lake Senior Citizens and she expressed her appreciation for the use of the Community Center to hold their monthly card playing sessions. Mayor Schoon stated the flag pole in the Park is down for repairs at this time. As soon as the weather permits, there will be maintenance done to the pole and the flag will be rehung.

The City Clerk updated the Council on the installation of the endpoints on water meters. There are currently a few residents that have failed to comply, the high school has a few meters on order to replace the current ones so the endpoints will work on them.

Council reviewed the current water ordinance and compared it to other towns who use the same type of water system as Goose Lake with the new endpoints. It was determined the current ordinance will need to be updated. City Clerk will present a new ordinance at the next regular meeting in February for the first reading.

Council discussed the residents who failed to comply with having an endpoint placed on their meter in spite of several notices given and notification in the Newsletter for the past 3 months. City Clerk suggested placing a fine on each non-compliant account as was done in another city. M/S: Schmidt-Cain moved to place a fine of \$100.00 per account that is non-compliant by not having an endpoint placed on their meter by the next billing period of January 31, 2023, or at least have an appointment made to get the endpoint on by that time. On roll call, carried unanimously.

Council discussed a 24-hour door hanger for those residents that have been fined, yet still refuse to have an endpoint placed on their meters. The door hanger gives that resident 24 hours to either have the endpoint installed or to have an appointment made. If the appointment is cancelled by the resident, the water will automatically be shut off at the curb box and not turned on until the endpoint and or meter is installed. M/S: Farrell-Cain moved to approve the 24-hour shut off notice as a door hanger. On roll call, carried unanimously.

Council discussed the Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis document sent by Origin Design. The document will be available for public view and comments. Wastewater Operator Tom Witt explained to the Council the contents of the documents. Witt stated the document details the reason for the requirement of a third cell lagoon and the options of obtaining it, and the reasoning behind the method chosen. M/S: Schmidt-Spain moved to approve public review of the Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis document prepared by Origin Design. On roll call, carried unanimously.

The Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis has a 30-day window in which the public can view and comment. Following the 30-day review, changes may be made and final approval of the analysis will be done in February. M/S: Farrell-Mattis moved to approve Origin Design to place the public notice of the Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis in the Observer newspaper. On roll call, carried unanimously.

The City Clerk explained the finances of the Lagoon Project to Council and the possibility of a 3-year, no interest loan from the Iowa Finance Authority. At the end of the loan, or when the project is completed, the loan amount would be rolled into the actual SRF Loan for the Lagoon Project. M/S: Cain-Spain moved to approve the application for the 3-year, no interest loan from the Iowa Finance Authority. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Schmidt-Mattis moved to approve Resolution No. 9424 establishing the use of the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds as prescribed in Federal legislation and administrative rules, to be used for the water and sewer infrastructure investments. On roll call, Ayes: Schmidt, Mattis, Farrell, Spain, Cain. Nays, none. Motion carried.

M/S: Farrell-Spain moved to approve Resolution No. 9425 transferring funds from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund to the Water Fund of \$15,000 to cover a portion of the well repairs. On roll call, Ayes: Schmidt, Mattis, Farrell, Spain, Cain. Nays, none. Motion carried.

M/S: Spain-Cain moved to approve Resolution No. 9426 expending \$10,000 to cover a portion of the well repairs. On roll call, On roll call, Ayes: Schmidt, Mattis, Farrell, Spain, Cain. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schoon stated he has been in contact with the State Fire Marshall regarding the Northeast Preschool safety requirements. It was determined that any adjustments to the current windows would not be enough, and a door

would need to be made within the room to have direct exit to the outside if necessary. Mayor Schoon contacted a mason and received an approximate estimate for a one-way door to be installed within the room of \$5,000. Council discussed the length of time the Northeast Preschool may or may not lease from the City. It was determined the Council will allow a door to be placed within the room that exits directly to the outside and no entry from the outside to the inside would be possible through that door. Council stated the cost of the project would be up to the Northeast School District to cover as the lease contract states.

M/S: Farrell-Mattis moved to approve a budget workshop session on January 23, 2023 at 7:00 pm and a second budget workshop on February 24th at 6:00 pm. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Schmidt-Cain moved to set the date for the proposed Max Levy for the FY 2024 Budget public hearing on February 16, 2023 at 7:00 pm. On roll call, carried unanimously.

In Other items, Mayor Schoon stated the playground equipment from Northeast School would be viewed after February in better weather.

M/S: Farrell-Cain moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm. On roll call, carried unanimously. A Budget workshop will be held on January 23, 2023 at 7:00 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on February 16, 2023 at 7:00 pm at City Hall in Goose Lake.

Kendell R. Schoon, Mayor

Teresa Lindstrom, City Clerk