

**CITY OF GOOSE LAKE  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
July 20, 2023**

Mayor Ken Schoon called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council Members present included: Matt Cain, Darrin Farrell and Josh Spain. Absent: Mike Mattis and Mike Schmidt. M/S, Cain-Spain moved to adopt the agenda as presented. On roll call, carried unanimously. M/S: Farrell-Spain moved to approve the consent agenda. On roll call, carried unanimously. The consent agenda includes minutes of the June 15, 2023 regular meeting, the treasurer's report, financial reports, and the following new bills.

Alliant Utilities	1656.46	Preston Ambulance services	45.90
Preston Telephone	248.78	Cade Diedrich-deliver newsletter	20.00
TIAA,FSB -copier lease fee	116.04	Clinton County Sheriff's contract fee	914.40
Employee Salaries	2177.49	Lectronic's - monthly monitoring	40.00
Republic Services - hauling fee	1710.10	Water Services, Inc.-water operations	396.80
IPERS - June wage report	506.64	Augustana Web Authors Guild - website	330.00
ECIA - annual dues	176.86	IA Dept of Revenue - May. WET tax	303.64
Meyer Pest Control	35.00	IA Assoc. Municipal Utilities - annual dues	624.00
Hawkins Inc. - Chlorine	438.02	The Observer - publishing fees	110.19
State Hygienic Lab-water test	13.50	Teresa Lindstrom-reimburse postage	16.50
River Valley Coop - propane	1000.12	Christopher Steen - mowing	1032.72
Water Solutions - phosphate	861.10	Ken Schoon - reimburse paint, supplies, lights	683.64
Lisa Schoon - mowing	56.00	IA Dept of Revenue - State Withholding	120.00
J & S Endeavors - fuel	805.32	Internal Revenue Service - 941 quarterly rpt.	1738.98
Mannatt's Inc - road repairs	1428.00		

Expenses for June were General \$5451.62, Insurance \$4217.00 RUT \$808.64, County Contributions \$0.00, Local Option Sales Tax \$500.00, Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, ARPA \$0.00, Water \$6940.35, SRF Sinking Fund \$0.00, Water Trust \$0.00, Sewer \$3303.19, Sewer Sinking Fund \$0.00, Garbage \$2060.02. Revenues for June were General \$1428.36, Insurance \$133.67, RUT \$2609.76, County Contribution \$1956.68, Local Option Sales Tax \$2966.14, ARPA \$0.00, Capital Projects Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, Water \$7270.90, Water Trust \$0.00, SRF Sinking Fund \$3000.00, Sewer \$4996.47, Sewer Sinking Fund \$1500.00 Garbage \$2135.00.

The monthly Sheriff's report was sent in by Sheriff Bill Greenwalt. There were 40:36 total hours logged for the month; 22 calls for service; 0 citations or warnings; 2 cases reported. There was no water report, however Water Operator Marty Jahn spoke with Mayor Schoon prior to the meeting. He stated all reports were sent to the DNR as required. Mayor Schoon stated he cleaned up the water plant and took the remaining used meters and sold them to Alter Metal for recycling. The check received was \$84.44. Mayor Schoon also communicated with Northeast Community School regarding their water meters and what lines those meters serve. He also sent communication to Brandon of Eastern Iowa Plumbing regarding the final new meter and endpoint that is to be installed at the elementary school. Mayor Schoon purchased and installed a new heater for the water plant. He noted the chemical area of the water plant causes a lot of corrosion and therefore the heater should not be in the chemical room until it's actually needed. There was no report on the Wastewater Department. Mayor Schoon stated he spoke with Mr. and Mrs. Lippens regarding the possible use of their land for the wastewater lagoon project. He and Council Member Mike Schmidt worked on ideas for obtaining the dirt needed. Council Member Matt Cain stated the Fire Department hosted their annual Barbeque Contest on July 8<sup>th</sup> in the City Park and it was a success. Chief Kevin Cain sent a report on the activities of the Fire Department. There were 9 EMS calls, 3 training meetings, a business meeting, assisted with downed power lines and utility pole, assisted with structure fire, and an illegal burn. The Department also hosted a BBQ Contest and a Side-By-Side Fund Raiser. Chief Cain noted in the last 6 months there have been 51 calls, and in all of 2022 there were only 44 calls. He also stated both fund raisers were a success and expressed appreciation for all of the community support. There were no Committee reports.

In City Hall maintenance, Mayor Schoon stated he made some electrical changes in the daycare room. He also repaired holes in the walls and painted the Community Center walls and installed new lighting in the entryway. In Park and Grounds, Mayor Schoon stated there was a tree lost and other damage to the park after the storm. Mayor Schoon also expressed much appreciation to those that assisted in the cleanup of the City Park after the storm damaged. He also repaired the wooded bridge in the park. There was no visitor. Mayor Schoon requested the Jackson Blvd. repairs be added to the agenda in August.

M/S: Farrell-Cain moved to approve Resolution 9436 to approve a 3.5% wage increase for the regular part-time employees. On roll call, carried unanimously. In discussion before roll call, Council Member Farrell stated he would prefer to have both the water and wastewater operators present at the meetings to be able to answer questions at least some of the time.

M/S: Spain-Cain moved to approve the liquor license renewal for the Goose Lake C-Store/J & S Endeavors, LLC. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Cain-Spain moved to approve the liquor license renewal for the Tilted Silo Bar & Grill/J & S Endeavors, LLC. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Farrell-Cain moved to approve the filing of a lien on property taxes for unpaid utilities. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Farrell-Spain moved to approve the termination of the lease and to change the lock on the door in City Hall. The tenant will be allowed to remove their belongings only after the keys to the City Hall building are returned. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Cain-Spain moved to approve City Clerk to contact River Valley Coop and ask if they would consider meeting the lower quote given by a competitor. If the lower quote is obtained, the City Clerk will complete the contract with River Valley Coop. If not, an application will be obtained from the other company. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Farrell-Spain moved to approve City Clerk to contact River Valley Coop and ask if they would consider meeting the lower quote given by a competitor, or at least come down by 3 cents per gallon. If the lower quote is obtained, the City Clerk will complete the contract with River Valley Coop. If not, an application will be obtained from the other company. On roll call, carried unanimously.

In Other, Council discussed the upcoming election and those who would be up for election. Council Member Spain stated he was approached about the city doing a city-wide garage sale. Along with that, another request was to have a block tail-gate party and block off Emma Court for a short time prior to the start of the game that day. City Clerk stated an event application would be needed for the block party and they would have to coordinate with the Clinton County Sheriff's office for traffic control and putting up barricades for any road closures.

Council Member Spain suggested they all participate in a goal setting session. It was decided to have a goal session one hour prior to the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

M/S: Farrell-Spain moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm. On roll call, carried unanimously. The next regular meeting will be held on August 17, 2023 at 6:00 pm with the goal session followed by the regular meeting at 7:00 pm at City Hall in Goose Lake.

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Mike Schmidt, Council Member

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Teresa Lindstrom, City Clerk