

**CITY OF GOOSE LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
September 21, 2023**

Mayor Ken Schoon called the regular City Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm via phone. Council Members present included: Mike Schmidt, Darrin Farrell, and Josh Spain. Absent: Mike Mattis and Matt Cain. M/S: Schmidt-Farrell moved to adopt the agenda as presented. On roll call, carried unanimously. M/S: Spain-Schmidt moved to approve the consent agenda. On roll call, carried unanimously. The consent agenda includes minutes of the August 17, 2023 regular meeting, the treasurer's report, financial reports, and the following new bills.

Alliant Utilities	2149.17	Preston Ambulance services	45.90
Preston Telephone	249.21	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 - August wage report	549.43	Lectronic's - annual fire alarm inspection	314.50
The Observer - publishing fees	261.80	IA Dept of Revenue - Aug WET tax	299.79
Meyer Pest Control	35.00	USA Bluebook - parts for water plant	124.72
Hawkins Inc. - Chlorine	334.50	J&S Endeavors - fuel for Parks Dept.	52.40
State Hygienic Lab-water test	35.50	ClerkBooks Inc. - webinar	150.00
Christopher Steen - mowing	516.36	USA Bluebook - parts for water plant	233.11
Access Systems - Copier lease	212.89		

Expenses for August were General \$4098.73, Insurance \$0.00 RUT \$824.05, County Contributions \$0.00, Local Option Sales Tax \$500.00, Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, ARPA \$0.00, Water \$6622.12, SRF Sinking Fund \$0.00, Water Trust \$0.00, Sewer \$2343.96, Sewer Sinking Fund \$0.00, Garbage \$2072.29. Revenues for August were General \$1871.13, Insurance \$0.00, RUT \$1879.76, County Contribution \$0.00, Local Option Sales Tax \$3228.83, ARPA \$0.00, Capital Projects Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, Water \$7213.30, Water Trust \$0.00, SRF Sinking Fund \$3000.00, Sewer \$3858.91, Sewer Sinking Fund \$1500.00 Garbage \$2135.00.

The monthly Sheriff's report was sent in by Sheriff Bill Greenwalt. There were 45:36 total hours logged for the month; 46 calls for service; 0 citations or warnings; 0 cases reported. The Water report was sent in by Marty Jahn. The report stated all testing and reports were sent to the DNR; a new water permit was received and the lab was notified. Marty performed 2 locates and assisted a customer with a water line repair along with Ken Schoon's help. There was no report from the Wastewater Department.

Fire Chief Kevin Cain was present to discuss the activities of the Fire Department. In his report Cain listed 2 EMS calls, 3 training sessions, assisted in Charlotte with 2 calls, and Chief Cain participated in the Chiefs meeting with EMA regarding County burn ban. Cain also stated the Fire Department received 28 new helmets at a cost of over \$10,000. This purchase did not use any tax payer dollars. It was funded partially by a grant and the remainder by funds raised by the firemen. The old helmets were out of date by as much as 20 years.

There were no Committee reports. City Clerk inquired of Council when the carpets in the Community Center should be cleaned and Council decided in the spring, just before the graduation parties begin. There were no Parks and Grounds updates.

Eldon Schneider, P.E. of Origin Design was present to address the Council regarding the updates on the Wastewater Plant Lagoon Project. Antidegradation and Facility Plan received approvals from Iowa DNR. He inquired if all of the Separation Distance Waiver Letters had been received and recorded. City Clerk informed him there were about a dozen households that did not respond. She will reach out to them this week. Schneider also stated there was some discussion on property/easement acquisition with residents in town. Mayor Ken Schoon had spoken with a few people. This will be on a future agenda for further discussion. Schneider also briefly discussed funding alternatives and presented a possible new source. He will get more information to the City Clerk regarding this. Schneider then inquired of the Council if they were ready for the next steps for the Design Phase of the project. Council will wait on this and decide at a future meeting.

Other visitors present was Judy Buntmeyer of 417 Jackson Blvd. She voiced her opinion to Council regarding her rights as a citizen.

Council discussed the snow removal contracts for both the streets and the shoveling of the sidewalks. Mayor Schoon stated he will contact Dave Sellnau and see if he is interested in plowing the streets again this year. City Clerk will put something in the newsletter and see if there is someone in town who may be interested in shoveling the sidewalks in front of the park, the water plant and the old fire station.

Mayor Schoon stated the trick-or-treat for this year will be on Sunday, October 29th from 3:00 pm until 5:00 pm. It was stated by several Council Members that the Ascension Lutheran church will be hosting an event along with the annual trick-or-treating being held that same day. City Clerk will add information the newsletter and website.

M/S: Farrell-Schmidt moved to approve a propane fuel contract with Ag Vantage FS. This will require the City to get tanks from them and return the current tanks to River Valley Coop as they were rented. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Farrell-Spain approved the City Clerk to attend a webinar on budgeting with ClerkBooks. On roll call, carried unanimously.

In Other items, Mayor Schoon stated he attended a meeting with the Clinton County Emergency Management and the emergency sirens were discussed regarding the future funding for them. More information will be presented at the next regular City Council meeting.

The defibulator in the Community Center was discussed as it has been beeping. Council Member Farrell stated he contacted an individual who has agreed to look at replacing the battery and updating the pads on this equipment. There is also a possibility to have this person do this annually for a flat fee. Council will decide on this at the next meeting.

Mayor Schoon noted the upcoming Homecoming Parade for the Northeast Community Schools will be on October 6th. Also, on October 13th and 14th will be the city-wide clean up days. This is for Goose Lake residents only.

It was noted that the city-wide garage sales will be this weekend, September 22nd and 23rd. City Clerk has already added this to the website.

M/S: Schmidt-Spain moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm. On roll call, carried unanimously. The next regular meeting will be held on October 19, 2023 at 7:00 pm at City Hall in Goose Lake.

Kendell R. Schoon, Mayor

Teresa Lindstrom, City Clerk