

**CITY OF GOOSE LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
March 21, 2024**

Mayor Ken Schoon called the regular City Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council Members present included: Mike Schmidt, Mike Mattis, Darrin Farrell, and Josh Spain. Absent: Matt Cain. M/S: Schmidt-Spain moved to adopt the agenda as presented. On roll call, carried unanimously. M/S: Mattis-Farrell moved to approve the consent agenda. On roll call, carried unanimously. The consent agenda includes minutes of the February 15, 2024 regular meeting, March 5, 2024 special meeting, the treasurer's report, financial reports, and the following new bills.

Alliant Utilities	1510.83	Preston Ambulance services	45.90
Preston Telephone	262.78	Cade Diedrich-deliver newsletter	20.00
Access Systems - Copier lease	212.89	Clinton County Sheriff's contract fee	914.40
Employee Salaries	2177.49	Lectronic's - monthly monitoring	40.00
Republic Services - hauling fee	1777.72	Water Services, Inc.-water operations	396.80
IPERS - February wage report	423.59	IA Dept of Revenue - Feb. WET tax	296.39
Meyer Pest Control	35.00	Reliant Fire Apparatus - fire truck parts	16.99
Hawkins Inc. - Chlorine	568.62	AgVantage - fuel	1450.79
State Hygienic Lab-water test	14.50	Fenix USA - Data & Software Hosting	118.80
The Observer - publishing	115.60	Secretary of State - Notary renewal	30.00
Origin Design - WWTP project	3213.75	IMFOA - annual dues	50.00
Iowa One Call - locates	16.40	Ken Schoon - reimburse for insulation, tape	791.38
Heiman Fire Equip. - gas monitor	842.62	Melissa Burken-Mommsen Atty - services	1424.26
Auditor of State - periodic exam fee	800.00	Iowa Community Assurance Pool - premium	24121.00

Expenses for February were General \$10330.26, Insurance \$0.00 RUT \$7689.84, County Contributions \$0.00, Local Option Sales Tax \$500.00, Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, ARPA \$0.00, Water \$5453.34, SRF Sinking Fund \$0.00, Water Trust \$0.00, Sewer \$20692.76, Sewer Sinking Fund \$0.00, Garbage \$2306.57. Revenues for February were General \$763.26, Insurance \$53.60, RUT \$1740.92, County Contribution \$0.00, Local Option Sales Tax \$3512.85, ARPA \$0.00, Capital Projects Fire Sinking Fund \$0.00, Water \$6322.90, Water Trust \$0.00, SRF Sinking Fund \$3000.00, Sewer \$4137.25, Sewer Sinking Fund \$1500.00 Garbage \$2135.00.

The monthly Sheriff's report was sent in by Sheriff Bill Greenwalt. There were 41:09 total hours logged for the month; 35 calls for service; 6 citations or warnings; 0 cases reported. The Water report was presented by Marty Jahn. He stated all testing and reports were sent to the DNR. Nitrate sampling will be coming up next month. Jahn also added the State EPA rule is fast approaching. It is a lead-copper revised rule. All water service lines in the City of Goose Lake will be checked for lead lines. If they are found to be lead, they must be replaced. This will all need to be reported to the EPA by October 16, 2024. There is more information on this coming from the EPA. Jahn added the alarm on the backup generator at the water plant was triggered. After calling Charlotte Electric, it was discovered a heater block in the generator needed replaced. This was completed and all is back working as it should. The scale for measuring the phosphate is beginning to show wear and will need replaced soon. There was no report from the Wastewater Department.

Council Member Darrin Farrell presented the report from the Fire Department. There were four training sessions, two EMS calls, four assisted fires with Charlotte, a vehicle rollover, brush fire, two demo days for the new community center and an officers meeting with the Charlotte Fire Department. Farrell also stated they are nearly halfway through the Firefighter 1 classroom work and looking forward to working with the new firefighters in the field training. The Fire Department also held their annual trivia night with 26 tables attending. The night was a success and they appreciate the funding to

help with purchasing gear and equipment. He added that the CCDA grant for the new community center has been applied for and they hope to get the maximum amount they requested to be able to continue with the new community center and expansion of the fire department.

There was no Committee Reports. Mayor Schoon stated he had worked with the Fire Department in removing fixtures from the old classrooms. He added the Park will be opening on April 1st depending on if the weather is warm enough for opening the restrooms.

Norman Nielsen of Associated Insurance Counselors was present to address the Council regarding the new FY 2024-2025 insurance policy. Council reviewed the coverage on all property. Mr. Nielsen answered several questions regarding the coverage of certain property. It was decided the Fire Department will take a complete inventory of all items that leave the fire station on trucks to assure they have the proper coverage. Council discussed the requirements of ICAP for the volunteer fire department physicals, and Mr. Nielsen suggested they talk with Preston on who performs their department physicals each year. Council Member Darrin Farrell stated he will work with Chandler Sterk in obtaining a complete listing of items in inventory that leave the building and submit it to the City Clerk.

Mayor Schoon stated he spoke to Ryan Unruh regarding the electricity installation and with Alliant Energy. The cost to install a new transformer would run between \$7,000 and \$10,000. However, Mayor Schoon added he also spoke with someone else that said a secondary transformer would also work at a much less cost. Mayor Schoon presented an idea to Council of the City of Goose Lake paying 50% of the cost if Unruh built 3 additional houses within the next 2 years. The City could reimburse after the houses were built. More conversations will be taking place before any decisions are made.

Mayor Schoon stated he will meet with Matt Cain and Dwaine Schroeder regarding the pictures that were sent by Origin Design and what ideas the City could do if the lagoon is placed on that property.

M/S: Spain-Schmidt moved to approve the annual insurance policy with Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP) for FY 2024-2025 with the changes as discussed. On roll call, carried unanimously.

Mayor Schoon stated the Parks Committee would like to remove the boards from the park benches and replace it with treated boards and also put a concrete pad underneath each bench to prevent grass and weeds from growing there.

M/S: Farrell-Mattis moved to allow Mayor Schoon to purchase lumber needed for the benches and concrete for installation as pads under the park benches. On roll call, carried unanimously.

Council discussed the upcoming budget meetings. The public hearing for the proposed tax levy will be held on March 27th at 7:15 pm. M/S: Farrell-Spain moved the public hearing for the City Budget for FY 2024-2025 will be on April 18, 2024 at 6:30 pm with the regular meeting to follow at 7:00 pm and the approval of the new budget at that time. On roll call, carried unanimously.

M/S: Schmidt-Spain moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 pm. On roll call, carried unanimously. The next regular meeting will be held on April 21, 2024 at 7:00 pm at City Hall in Goose Lake.

Kendell R. Schoon, Mayor

Teresa Lindstrom, City Clerk