

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- NOVEMBER 4, 2024

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Karst. The following Council members were present: Nistler, Koski, Ozark, Heitman, and Austin. Council member Carr was absent. DPW Skubinna was in attendance. Candy Lagerquist, was also in attendance. City Clerk Amundson and City Attorney Pekovitch attended via Google Meets. There was no media representation.

Mayor Karst led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any Agenda Item: NONE

Council member Koski made a motion approving the consent agenda including the payment of claims for November 4, 2024 in the amount of \$125,032.70, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$3,379.70, and the minutes of the October 21, 2024 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Karst introduced and offered for adoption at first reading **Ordinance No. 988** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 28 of the Official Code of the City of Glasgow (OCCG) Regarding Park Rules. Council member Ozark moved for the adoption of **Ordinance No. 988** at first reading. The motion was seconded by Council member Austin; whereby **Ordinance No. 988** was unanimously adopted for first reading. Second reading of Ordinance No. 988 will be held at the November 18, 2024 Council Meeting.

Mayor Karst introduced and offered for adoption at first reading **Ordinance No. 989** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 34 of the Official Code of the City of Glasgow (OCCG) Regarding Trees and Shrubbery and Duties of the Property Owners to Trim. Council member Koski moved for the adoption of **Ordinance No. 989** for first reading. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman; whereby **Ordinance No. 989** was unanimously adopted for first reading. Second reading of Ordinance No. 989 will be held at the November 18, 2024 Council Meeting.

City Clerk Amundson explained that at the last city council meeting the City Attorney, according to the City Code section 34-125, wanted the council to take action and direct the Rundle Suites to fix their sidewalks and also after she spoke with MMIA, she had Code Compliance Officer Dees spray paint the trip hazards on the sidewalk. If the city council directs them to fix their sidewalks, we are then able to go through the process of putting it on their taxes. There was discussion if it could even be completed yet this year with the weather getting colder. DPW Skubinna explained that a letter was written to them back in August and the City Attorney recommended this action so the proper procedure can be followed. Council member Heitman said that if they aren't able to have this completed this year at least have a company secured that could come and do the work first thing in the spring. DPW Skubinna said that is probably the best-case scenario. Council member Ozark stated that if the city hires someone to fix that sidewalk, the money will have to be taken out of the city budget, which in turn would take away from other city projects. There was discussion on the length of time this would be on their taxes. The full amount could be assessed in the first year and not over the 10-year period like the sidewalk program. City Attorney Pekovitch stated that a judgement lien could go against the property. If it's under \$15,000.00 it would go to City Court and anything over that would go through District Court. After further discussion, Council member Nistler made a motion directing the Rundle Suites to repair the sidewalk surrounding their property. The motion was seconded by Council member Austin, and carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business – Levee Safety Committee Report –DPW Skubinna told the council that he has been contacted by the Corps and they will be conducting a levee inspection on November 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> and they will have a list of items they would like to discuss.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for personnel, water, cemetery, grant, or ordinance.

Department Head Reports:

DPW Skubinna mentioned he has been working on the Northside Firehall project and it's about ready to be put out to bid. The lead inventory has been submitted to the state and now letters have to be sent to the property owners before the 15<sup>th</sup> of November. LSC, Inc has been finishing up the miscellaneous concrete project that was an add on to the downtown parking project. He also asked the council if they would be interested in a free street maintenance work session that would last approximately an hour.

Mayor Karst told the council that during the department head meeting last Friday they discussed keeping water bills in the property owners name and not switching it into the tenant's name. This would be done through the ordinance process. It was decided to bring it to the water committee first, then if they want to move forward with this option, recommend it to the ordinance committee for their review, before bringing it back to council.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Austin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Koski, the meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

ATTEST:

*Stacey A. Amundson*

Stacey Amundson  
City Clerk-Treasurer

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Rod Karst  
Mayor