

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- MAY 1, 2023

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Karst. The following Council members were present: Austin, Carr, Heitman, Nistler, Ozark, and Koski. Also present were DPW Skubinna, Chief Weber, and Jewel Etherington. Kaden Bedwell from Interstate Engineering was in attendance and Drew Markle. City Attorney Pekovitch, City Grant Writer Beyer, and City Clerk Amundson attended via Google Meets. There was no media representation.

Council member Heitman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any Agenda Item: There was no Public Comment.

Council member Nistler made a motion approving the consent agenda including the payment of claims for May 1, 2023 in the amount of \$879,745.46, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$1,896.04, the minutes of the April 17, 2023 Regular Council Meeting and Resolution No. 3132 – A Resolution Establishing Budgetary Authority in the General Fund for the Glasgow Police Department for the Receipt and Expenditures of Monies Received from the Stone Garden Program. The motion was seconded by Council member Koski and carried unanimously.

Mayor Karst stated the bid opening for the City of Glasgow's repurchase agreement will now be conducted. The city received three (3) bids. The first was from Bank of Glasgow; their proposed interest rate of 2.9% under the U.S. Treasury Bill 26-week maturity, with a floor of 1% upon a daily balance of funds in the investment account. Independence Bank proposed both a business checking account with a credit rate of 3.675% and transferring the remainder into an Insured Cash Account with an interest rate 3.11%. The last bid opened was from Opportunity Bank. Their proposed interest rate was the Fed Funds target rate plus 0.10% reviewed and updated daily. Currently that rate is 4.85%. Council member Austin made a motion to take the bids under advisement. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously. City Clerk Amundson will review the bids received and bring a recommendation back to the council at the next meeting.

Council member Austin made a motion approving the February 2023 financials. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Council member Heitman made a motion authorizing City Clerk Amundson to call for bids for the city's gas and diesel for fiscal year 2023-2024. The motion was seconded by Council member Koski, and carried unanimously.

Council member Koski made a motion authorizing City Clerk Amundson to advertise for bids for the city's solid waste contract July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Ozark made a motion approving the yard of the week program this year and instead of the council choosing a yard each week, it will be members of the Beautification Committee. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Koski made a motion reappointing Lori Daily to the Recreation Board for another three (3) year term effective May 2, 2023. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made a motion appointing Ryan Stone and Drew Markle to the City of Glasgow's Levee Committee. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Heitman made a motion appointing the following six (6) citizens at large to the Beautification Committee for a two (2) year term: Pat Knierim, Joe Reyling, Ruth Ann Hutcheson, Shelly Mills, Kathy Smith, and Darcia Schindler. The motion was seconded by Council member Koski, and carried unanimously.

The discussion and decision on additional hiring incentives for the police department will be moved to the next council agenda.

Unfinished Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – DPW Skubinna mentioned there may be possible funding available to update the city's SWIFT plan document. The next levee meeting will be in June.

There was no mayor's report.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for personnel, water, or cemetery. City Grant Writer Beyers told the council that we received funding from Valley County Community Foundation in the amount of \$11,858.00 to help with paying costs with the pool. She also stated that she had checked on the TSP grant for Sullivan Park and the city is on the recommended funding list in the amount of \$75,000.00, it hasn't been awarded yet. Jewel Etherington with the Glasgow Police Department said they have been awarded \$250,000.00 for the Victim Services Grant, but at this

time have been denied the Children's Advocacy Center grant. They are working on the appeal process for this grant funding. DPW Skubinna updated the council on the last ordinance committee meeting.

There was also discussion on the city attorney's contract that is expiring on June 30, 2023. The following members will meet with the City Attorney and discuss any changes that may need to be made: Council members Austin, Ozark, Koski, Mayor Karst, DPW Skubinna, and City Clerk Amundson.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Weber said that his department has been busy. Wyatt is on his second week and is catching on quickly.

DPW Skubinna updated the council on the current flood costs with personnel and equipment repairs. He talked about the Cvyl contract, the sewer separation project start date, and that he is looking in to additional information for the city's curb, gutter, and sidewalk program so it's a more streamlined process.

City Attorney Pekovitch mentioned the eviction notice has been filed with city court and she has received a few marijuana ordinances for the ordinance committee to review.

Kaden Bedwell said the pool bid opening will be conducted on Wednesday May 3rd at 2:00 p.m.

Public Comment: Council member Austin mentioned there is a grant available that he is looking into to be able to have a kill floor for his business and was inquiring if the council would be ok with this before he spends the time applying for the grant and then finds out it would not be approved through the city. The consensus of the council was they would be ok with it as long as it follows city code.

Council member Austin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, the meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson

Stacey Amundson
City Clerk - Treasurer

Rod Karst
Mayor