

**Regular Council Meeting
July 7, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Tom Kloss.

Roll Call: Deb Marsolek-Virtually, Cleo Skroch, Linda Longmore, Randy Symicek, Elaine Conrad and Jason Ekern. 6 Present.

Others Present: Attorney Rick Schaumberg, Chief Jim Waniorek, James Woychik, Greg Barth, John Ott, Lacy Ott, City Clerk Dawn Smieja and Deputy Clerk Abby Bautch.

City Clerk Dawn Smieja verified proof that public notice was given.

Approval of Agenda: Marsolek motioned to approve agenda, seconded by Symicek. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Minutes – June 2nd, 2025 and June 16th, 2025

Motion to approve June 2nd, 2025 minutes by Symicek, seconded by Longmore. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve. Motion to approve June 16th, 2025 minutes by Ekern, seconded by Skroch. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Public Comments

Cleo Skroch- Citizen approached her about the excessive speeds on 93 by the Catholic School, Jim advised he can contact Sheriff's Office to get a speed reader placed.

Greg Barth-Had questions on a shed/carport.

Licenses and Permits

Operator License-Alexis Girtman-Motioned by Ekern to approve, seconded by Conrad. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Adrian Weaver-Motioned by Skroch to approve, seconded by Symicek. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Building Permit- Dave & Rita Hovey- Motioned by Ekern to approve contingent on the covenants, seconded by Skroch. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Picnic License-Saint Peter & Paul Fall Festival-Motioned to approve by Cleo, seconded by Symicek. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Old Business

Lake Dredge Update- Motioned by Symicek to approve Pay Request for Lake Dredge Project, seconded by Longmore. Roll Call Vote. 5-0 Ayes, 1 absent, Motion carried.

The Dam- Mayor updated the council on the inspection. Motioned by Skroch to approve the Emergency Order Repair and not to exceed \$40,000, seconded by Conrad. Roll Call Vote. 4-2 Ayes, Motion carried.

Historical Society/City Hall Basement Update- per our last meeting waiting for fire inspection. Hopefully in July.

Sesquicentennial Celebration- Met last week with Lions, City Members (Mayor Tom Kloss and City Clerk Dawn Smieja). Lots of discussion going on. Keeping the same weekend. Next meeting August 13th, 2025 at 6pm.

Library Update- Kayla advised there is a lot of action starting to happen by Four Seasons Park.

Marsolek logged off the meeting.

Block 1 Alley- Mayor is meeting with SEH.

Markham Addition Lots- Lots 20,21 and 22 Looking to the covenants and amending them and will bring them back next month. Motion to Rescind the motion and second from previous minutes titled Markham addition review of lot prices and changes and has a 50% payback by Symicek and seconded by Skroch. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve. Motion to have Josh Baecker extend the current contract for 60 days by Skroch, seconded by Symicek. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Marsolek logged back in the meeting.

Park Rental-Bounce House- Clerk provided information to the council. Motioned by Skroch to approve in accordance with direction from a city employee on where to place the bounce house, seconded by Symicek. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Veterans Park- This group is not a governmental body and can meet due to it's not a city appointed committee as stated in May 2022 minutes.

Fire Station Lights- Ekern asked for an additional 30 days.

Plan Commission-Attorney Schaumberg provided an updated. Motioned by Skroch to approve new plan commission ordinance, seconded by Longmore. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve. Council members that will be on Plan Commission will be Cleo Skroch for 1-year term and Randy Symicek for 2-year term. The mayor will contact the citizen members.

Ordinance Work- Mayor and Marsolek provided an update. Motioned by Marsolek to have Atty Schaumberg to find a professional company to update our ordinances, seconded by Conrad. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Clerk Training & Conference-City Clerk Dawn Smieja provided an update that she will be at clerk training next week.

Comp Time- Mayor is referring this to Personnel Committee to bring back next month.

New Business

TTech-Ascent Software- City Clerk provided an update. Motioned by Ekern to approve if it does not exceed \$1500.00, seconded by Conrad. Roll Call Vote. 5-0 Ayes. Motion carried.

Grant Company Subscriptions- Mayor provided an update and not in favor of purchasing a subscription.

Fire Station Generator- Tied this into previous item for Grant. Have someone coming to check out our fire station.

Loan Renewal- Mayor provided an update.

TIF Properties- This is the same as Item G in Old Business.

Emails- Mayor advised council members need to be reviewing their emails.

Police Computer- Jim provided an update that the police department received a donation from Global Finishing in Osseo to go towards a new computer for the squad. Motioned by Symicek to approve to get a new computer, seconded by Skroch. Roll Call Vote. 5-0 Ayes. Motion Carried.

Online Payments- City Clerk provided an update for online payments that will not cost us an additional cost the company takes out the charge in the service charge. Motioned by Longmore to approve, seconded by Ekern. Motion carried unanimously by vote of acclamation to approve.

Street Superintendent Report- Eli-

Resignation- Mayor provided an update advising Eli Castleberry submitted his resignation.

City Buildings & Equipment- None

Committee Reports:

Property- Have a meeting coming up. Drove around and have 6 pages of addresses. Fence is still not in compliance. Atty Schaumberg wants any reports and any letters.

Correspondence: None

Approval of Invoices and Payments:

Will get approved during August Meeting

Future Agenda:

- Lake Dredge Update
- Dam
- Historical Society/City Hall Basement Update
- Library Community Center
- Sesquicentennial Celebration
- Block 1 Alley
- Markham Addition Lots
- Fire Station Lights
- Plan Commission
- Comp Time
- Loan Renewal
- Police Computer
- Online Payments
- TTech-Ascent Software
- Street Superintendent
- Closed Session- Raised Order

Future Meeting Dates:

Council Meeting August 4th, 2025 @ 5:30 PM

After having completed all matters before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Dawn Abrahamson, City Clerk