

MINUTES

The Grainfield City Council regular monthly meeting was on February 10, 2025 p.m. at the city office. Harvey Heier, Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Council members: Darren Racette, Ron Eberle and Gary Gassmann
Absent: Ken Wood
President: Harvey Heier
Present also: Carol Weber, Derek Herl, Wade Harvey
Guest: Marilyn Mong, JoAnn Zimmerman, Herby Queen and Kay Haffner

Ron made the motion, 2nd by Gary to approve the agenda and motion carried.

Ron made the motion, 2nd by Gary to approve the minutes of January 6th, 2025 and motion carried.

Maintenance Report: Wade has got the valves located and the GPS mapping and this should be completed. He and Terry with Ks Rural Water worked another 7 valves. He has 24 working valves. The pump at the lift station had many rags and other stuff that should not be flushed down the toilets and will have to call to have it cleaned out this week. Do not flush these items or sanitary items as this can cause the sewer to back up into your basements. B&H Paving and Wade looked at the streets for paving and chip sealing. Wade installed the heater Harvey picked up in the park well.

Fire Chief Report: Derek reported 1 vehicle accident and 1 carbon monoxide. They will have their annual nut fry on March 23rd. They purchased that gas meter to detect the carbon monoxide leak from the Leroy Dinkel memorial money. He asked to use a portion of the lot east of the sewer ponds for fire training purposes. Ron made the motion 2nd by Gary and motion carried. The 1975 Chevy PU will be kept on the insurance policy. He left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Discussion on the Cat and Dog Ordinance as they need to be registered with paperwork **each year** with the city. They need a tag so we know who the rightful owner is. There was an incident with a dog this last month. Registration begins April 1st. There seems to be a problem with stray cats. They could be relocated to a good farm as farm cats if not identified by a licensed tag from the city office. ATV, Rangers, and Golf carts need a tag at registration time in January. Stop by the office and get a tag/sticker.

Kay requested for Cruise, Shoes, and BBQs a liquor licenses for 3 days and to use the streets around the city park. (May 24, 25 & 26th), Darren made the motion, 2nd by Gary to approve this and motion carried. She discussed the housing project with the \$500.00 local match that is required. Gary made the motion to donate the \$500.00, 2nd by Ron and motion carried. The innovation center paperwork between the city and NW Ks Economic Development was signed. The city will do what they can on the clean up at lots 1-7 on block 31. Kay then left the meeting.

Herby discussed his wood pile that needs cleaned up. After discussion he agreed he would have it cleaned up by the May 2025 city meeting. He wanted a building permit to build a house on his basement located

at 145 Walnut. The council agreed to give him the 6 months described in the permit that allows him to do this. He will be reviewed in August 2025 meeting if not built yet. Gary made the motion to approve this, 2nd by Darren and motion carried.

Gary made the motion to approve the liquor license for the Opera House event on April 21, 2025, 2nd by Darren and motion carried with Ron abstaining.

Discussion on a bid to put guttering on the shop from QHI. This was denied at this time.

The council received and accepted the resignation letter from Jason Moses dated January 22, 2025. The council went into executive session for about 10 minutes to discuss his replacement. The meeting came back into session at 8:25 p.m. and will call Seth Gruber as he was the candidate picked.

Discussion on clean up with a few more to be called.

At 8:45 p.m. the council went into executive session to do job reviews. Meeting came back into session at 8:50 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Carol presented the treasurer's report. There are 7 past dues. Ron made the motion 2nd by Gary to accept the treasurer's report and motion carried.

Bills were read: Bills were presented by Carol with approval to pay the bills plus three that come in after she sent the meeting material was send out. Gary made the motion to pay the bills, 2nd by Ron and motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

The next meeting will be on March 10th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Darren made the motion to adjourn the meeting 2nd by Ron and motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by Carol Weber, City Treasurer