

MINUTES

The Grainfield City Council regular monthly meeting was on April 15, 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, Ken Wood
Absent: Seth Gruber council member and Derek Herl, fire chief
President: Harvey Heier
Present also: Carol Weber and Wade Harvey
Guest: Marilyn Mong, JoAnn Zimmerman, Herby Queen, Kay Haffner, Bonnie Wood

Ron made the motion, 2nd by Gary to approve the agenda and motion carried.
Gary made the motion, 2nd by Ron to approve the minutes of March 10, 2025 and motion carried.

Maintenance Report: Wade will get quotes to repair two valleys by the school. He had the lift station cleaned out and they will be back in October. KDHE picked Grainfield to do a study on the water for nitrates. Council thought it would be a good idea. He has put up the dog poop station in the park and would encourage everyone to use them. He will get the restrooms opened by April 15th this year. The tornado sirens are designed to alert people outside and will not be feasible to add that cost to the city at this time. Wade discussed chip sealing and crack sealing. He will bring a plan to the next meeting for discussion. He had to miss the water/sewer show in Wichita and a check was sent back to reimburse the city. He will work on adding a stop sign to the south of the school.

Fire Chief Report: Derek was absent so Wade reported 2 wrecks last month. The washer to wash the fire suits is installed.

Bonnie, director of the library reported that they would like to take off the pavilions located behind the library on the insurance policy and just take a check for the damage. The city will split the cost of the Easter candy with the library for the Easter egg hunt on April 18th. Gary made the motion, 2nd by Ken and motion carried. They have one new board member and still waiting on another. She will get us a list as soon as they complete the board.

Discussion with council on the snow removal and some damage done in the last storm removing show. Kay representing GCDC had a few questions for the council. Ron will visit with Kay about the repairs to the awning. The county will work on repairing the drainage ditch east of town.

There was discussion on the intangible tax with no action taken.

There will be a new welcome sign going up soon. Council would like to remind everyone to keep the city looking neat and clean for those who come into town. We will continue to monitor the neighborhoods and enforce the ordinance

Treasurer's Report: Carol presented the treasurer's report. There are 5 past dues. One will have their water shut off on the 25th if no payment and Steve Hirsch will send a letter to one. Darren made the motion 2nd by Ken to accept the treasurer's report and motion carried.

Bills were read: Bills were presented by Carol with approval to pay the bills. Gary made the motion to pay including the insurance bill that was presented after the packets were sent out, 2nd by Ron and motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business: Discussion on adding the High School to city water and sewer. Harvey was approached about someone wanting to sell ice cream from a truck.

The next meeting will be on May 12th 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Ken made the motion to adjourn the meeting 2nd by Gary and motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by Carol Weber, City Treasurer