

KEOSAUQUA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 - 4:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular Session with the following Council members present: Carol Harlan, Josh Cocherell, Gary Kingsbury, Chuck Lazenby, and Twyla Peacock. Absent: Melissa Mahon. Others present: Matt Dietzman, Virgil Morris, Michelle Eiermann, Brad Hudson, Brett Barber, Kris Rankin, Jeremy Hissem, Alisha Duehn, Joy Padget, Jenna Thornburg, Mike Goehring, Mike Best, and Gary Lee.

- Mayor Pro-Tem Harlan opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.
- Motion Peacock, second Cocherell to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Cocherell, second Kingsbury to approve the minutes from the June 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

**Public Forum opened.**

- Brad Hudson presented the Quarterly Sheriff's Report to the council.
- Kris Rankin gave an update for the Safe Coalition.
- Mike Goehring, Mike Best, and Jeremy Hissem talked about possible land development.
- Joy Padget with Engage requested to use the City as a pass-thru for an IEDA grant for Rural Housing Assessment. Motion Lazenby, second Peacock to approve to use the City as a pass-thru. Motion carried 5-0.

**Clerk's Report:**

- \* Motion Kingsbury, second Cocherell to approve Treasurer's Report and Bills for Payment. Motion carried 5-0.

**City Superintendent's Report:**

Superintendent Dietzman reported on the following building permits.

- Building Permit: Romig – Fence at 304 Cass St. Motion Cocherell, second Kingsbury to reject due to no room in front yard. Motion carried 5-0.
- Building Permit: Barber – Concrete at 604 ½ Van Buren St. Motion Lazenby, second Kingsbury to table while more information is acquired. Motion carried 5-0.
- Building Permit: Glick –Patio w/Pergola at 1207 1st St. Motion Kingsbury, second Cocherell to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
- Building Permit: Thornburg – Catio w/Overhead & Clothesline at 711 Dodge St. Motion Cocherell, second Kingsbury to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
- Building Permit: Scheuers – Shed at 902 Franklin St. Motion Kingsbury, second Lazenby to table to research more information. Motion carried 5-0.
- Building Permit: Gerig – Shed at 606 Broad St. Motion Kingsbury, second Cocherell to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Activities -

- a) Neptune 360 Equipment needed. Motion Kingsbury, second Lazenby to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

**Park And Recreation**

- Motion Kingsbury, second Lazenby to approve hiring Sandra Gray at \$150 per week with her providing her own supplies to clean the public restrooms. Motion carried 5-0.

**Resolutions/Ordinances for Approval Consideration:**

- Motion Kingsbury, second Cocherell to approve the 2nd reading of **ORDINANCE 181 – Amendment to Code Title VI**. Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Lazenby, second Cocherell to approve **RES 19-23 – Setting time and date for Ordinance 181 Public Hearing**. Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Cocherell, second Lazenby to approve **RES 20-23 – Tax Abatement -Matthew and Judith Manning**. Motion carried 5-0.

**Old/Unfinished Business:**

- 404 Main Street Past due Inv and sewer repair was discussed. Motion Lazenby, second Cocherell to table until Superintendent Dietzman can talk to the owner. Motion carried 5-0.

**New Business:**

- Motion Cocherell, second Lazenby to approve Trick or Treat night to be on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6pm to 8 pm. Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Kingsbury, second Cocherell to approve for Superintendent Dietzman to talk with the dog owner and tell them the dog must be kept on a lease/tie-out or they will need to install a fence to keep it in town. Motion carried 5-0.
- City Attorney changes were discussed. Clerk Harward will reach out to Craver.
- Motion Kingsbury, second Cocherell to approve issuing a Nuisance abate letter to the landlord of 204 Chestnut St. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion Cocherell, second Lazenby to adjourn meeting at 5:27 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Missy Harward  
City Clerk

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Melissa Mahon  
Mayor