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PUMPKIN CARVING/DECORATING CONTEST

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Council plans on hosting a Pumpkin Carving/Decorating Contest again this year. Pumpkins will be available at the City Office starting on Monday, October 8th, 2018. Prizes will be given to the top three pumpkins in the two divisions. Please submit your photos of your pumpkins to the City Office by Wednesday, October 31st, 2018. Winners will be chosen the night of our Council Meeting on Wednesday November 14th, 2018. Photos can be submitted on our Facebook page (City of Gaylord, Kansas), email to cityofgaylord@gmail.com or mailed to City of Gaylord, PO Box 548, Gaylord, KS 67638. Questions please contact the City Office at 697-2697. We look forward to seeing your creations!!



COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Council invites everyone to attend our Halloween Party in the Community Center from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 27th, 2018. Please wear your costumes.

Games and fun activities are planned with prizes.

Refreshments will be served.

If you would like to volunteer to bring treats or help with the games the day of the party, or make a donation to help cover the costs of this event please contact the City Office!

Minutes from the October City Council Meeting

City of Gaylord - Minutes of October 10th, 2018 Regular Meeting

The Gaylord City Council met in regular session in the Community Center at 7:00 p.m., October 12th, 2018.

Present Members: Barb Lehmann, Jim Muck, Dennis Lehmann, and Wendell Felsburg.

Absent Members: Wil Neussendorfer

Presiding: Mayor David Tucker

Present also: City Clerk Aubrey Neussendorfer, Treasurer Crystal Ifland, Utility Superintendent Ed Burt, Adam Ifland, and Nora Rhodes.

Mayor Tucker called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Citizen's Report: Nora Rhodes reported the Gardening for the Greater Good Program was utilized throughout the growing season and was able to share produce from Gaylord with other local communities. Touched base with council to see if any new wellness related projects have been discussed and she could research on.

Adam reported to council the Fire Department now has the floors sealed and lines painted within the fire house. Adam asked how the hydrant flushing schedule would continue with no longer having a full-time employee. Council asked Adam to have the fire department each quarter perform the hydrant flushing and testing moving forward as part of their training activities. Adam also asked council if it could be an option with V & K to choose between curb side pick-ups or having a dumpster knowing these would be charged at different rates but only having to pay for one service for solid waste services each month.

The minutes of the September 12th Regular Meeting was read. Corrections were noted as the minutes were read. Barb made the motion to approve the minutes with the noted corrections. Dennis seconded, motion carried.

The minutes of the September 24th Special Meeting was read. Dennis made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Jim seconded, motion carried.

The Minutes of the October 1st Special Meeting was read. Barb made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Dennis seconded, motion carried.

Mayor Tucker called for the reading of the bills. Wil made a motion, seconded by Barb, to approve payment of bills, including any routine bills outstanding. Motion carried. Bills paid out \$9,272.31.

Mayor Tucker asked for a report of utility arrears: Richard Bose, Darin Godsey with three accounts, AMI, Kaid Dannenberg. Account #14 was disconnected in error as payment was misplaced in office and not given to clerk for processing. Dennis made the motion to allow for the proposed payment plan submitted by Deborah Stone for Harry Baker's account to be approved as long as the current monthly bill is paid in full and not late along with her monthly payment. The entire amount will be payable in full if any payment is late or not paid in full or service will be terminated until all outstanding charges are paid in full. Barb seconded, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- All items have been returned to vendor for the bulk fill water station.
- Hydrant project will more than likely take place next spring now according to Tracy.
- Fire department is still waiting for their bunker gear to arrive and expected in October.
- Council agreed to give the current bidder on the old slipper slide 30 days to pay and pick-up or it will be offered to next highest bidder.
- Council provided updates on sharing operators with neighboring cities for the water and sewer systems. Most cities are short-handed themselves or not interested. Next Smith Center council meeting will be Oct. 22nd.
- Council asked for ads to be placed locally, on Nextech, social media and in the Waconda Trader for a part-time operator and maintenance person for the city.
- The used lift station from the City of Manhattan is no longer available as they gave it away to another city. They may have another available in 6 months.
- Donation from Gaddis's has been received for the Halloween Party.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to recess at 8:23 pm. Mayor Tucker called the meeting back to session at 8:27 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Council discussed making arrangement if possible to have someone still available in the city office on the 10th and 25th of each month. Some months this may not be possible and cash customers will need to make other arrangements.
- With no longer having a full-time employee with the city and council members needing to assume a few of the duties of the cities necessary keys for council members was discussed to have more keys made.
- Council discussed if residents volunteered to perform any duties of the city and agreed they first need prior approval for the task to be perform from council and in the time being until a part-time employee is hired all keys for equipment needs to be pulled and kept in a central location.
- The rope on the flag pole has broken and a new one needs purchased and re-strung. This task will be done once harvest is complete.
- Council discussed applying for a grant through Hansen for purchasing a \$55,000 auto-read meter reading system as without a full-time employee this would help improve efficiency for this task moving forward. Council agreed to apply \$10,000 as a matching portion for the total cost of this grant. For now Ed reported Gene Casteel and himself would continue this task but could only be done on weekends to not interfere with his other job.
- David reported V&K will begin picking up trash during the regular time starting the week of Oct. 16th. The plan on keeping the trash day Tuesday morning at this point until he determines how things will best work with their schedule. He will also prepare a contract and have council sign in the near future.
- David reported he signed paperwork for make the operations of the library legal in the eyes of the State of Kansas as they Library Board has not been having annual meetings.
- Council asked the clerk to find out from Tracy Kingsbury if a contract needs to be in place for him to be the vendor for all plumbing repairs to the City of Gaylord's infrastructure moving forward.

REPORTS:

STREETS: Wendell reported many of the roads need attention and will try to do some work as time allows.

SEWER/TRASH: No additional news to report at this time.

WATER: All appears to be running smoothly.

FIRE: no report.

HOUSING/COMMUNITY CENTER: Barb reported all 11 units at the housing are now rented. Housing board minutes are now included within our monthly newsletter.

PARKS: Additional mowing was discussed.

UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT: no report.

TREASRUER: no report

CITY CLERK: no report.

Mayor Tucker stated the next council meeting will be November 14th, 2018 at 7 p.m.

With no further business before the council, a motion was made by Barb and seconded by Wendell to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting so adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

(City Clerk)

Approved:

(Mayor) (Date)

Disclaimer: These minutes are unofficial and not official until the Gaylord City Council approves them and are signed by the Mayor.

Minutes from the October Parkview Manor Meeting

The Gaylord Parkview Manor Commissioners met October 11, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m. for their monthly meeting. Those present were Edith, Kurt, Donna and Sue.

Kurt's maintenance report included installation of kitchen cabinets, sink, range hood and flooring in apartment #9 completed; inspecting a plug-in located in apartment #6 and replaced newly repaired window screens throughout several apartments. Kurt reported he will be removing the bench that is located next to the utility shed, it needs repair and no one uses it.

Sue reported attending a conference call, topics covered were flat rents and tenant file check lists. Sue will be attending a meeting in Hays for the housing October 25th.

Accounts Receivable list was reviewed. As of October 1st there are 11 apartments rented.

Old Business: 9 individuals and 6 families received Government Commodities September 26th.

New tenants moved into the housing September 25th.

New Business: Sue will need to replace the paper shredder in the office.

The board finished the meeting by touring the newly updated apartment.

Meeting adjourned.



PART-TIME POSITION AVAILABLE

The City of Gaylord is accepting applications for a part-time utility/maintenance person.

Duties may include maintenance of streets, parks, sewer collections system, storm drainage, water distribution system, and building and vehicle maintenance. Must be able to work in different types of weather conditions and will have flexible hours.

Qualifications: Must have a High School Diploma, GED or equivalent or able to attain by the start of employment. Must be able to work independently or with a team and with little or no supervision. Knowledge of confined spaces and be able to operate heavy equipment. Also must be able to obtain a Class Small System Water Certified Operator and Class Small System Wastewater Certified Operator certification. Certification of Water and Wastewater can be achieved after the start of employment within the state requirements.

Starting hourly rate will be based upon experience. Please contact the City Office at 785-697-2697 or Mayor David Tucker 785-282-0228 for more information. Applications will be available at the Community Center on the front lobby table.



City Council

The Gaylord City Council meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. in the Gaylord Community Center. The public is *always* invited and can attend the entire meeting, except during Executive Session. If you wish to discuss a particular concern, please let our City Clerk, Abby Neussendorfer; know by the first Friday of the month, so she can add your name to the monthly meeting agenda. We WELCOME the public, and wish we had more citizens attend our meetings. The City Council does their best to address the issues of our citizens, and tries to provide our citizens with a healthy, safe environment with the funds available. Please join in and help our decisions. Please do your part to maintain the quality of our community.

Contact Information

Please make sure to keep your contact information current with the City Office, as when events occur such as Boil Advisories you can be informed as soon as possible. By which ever means you prefer to be contacted: phone, text message, e-mail or via Facebook, please keep this information current with the City Office.

Gaylord Library

Stop in and see the latest additions. We also have a great traveling book selection. Gaylord Library Hours are 9am to 11am on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

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