

## Town of Garden City Minutes

September 20, 2022

Regular Meeting

Mayor Fil Archuleta called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

Mayor Fil Archuleta and Trustees Tim Costello, Alex Lopez, Leigh Sorensen, and Katherine Rodriguez, and Sam Parsons were present. Staff present: Town Administrator Cheryl Campbell; Deputy Town Clerk Lindsay Shoemaker; Public Works Director Brett Bloom; Town Attorney James Godbold. Also present, Officer Andrew Brown of the Garden City Police Department. Trustee Gary Sorensen and Police Chief Jeremy Black were absent.

### Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes from September 6, 2022 Regular Meeting
- b. Approve August Treasurer's Report
- c. Approve Paid Bills
- d. Approve Bills To Be Paid
- e. Approve Water Rebate for Batrez German 2711 6<sup>th</sup> Ave Lane in the amount of \$260.26
- f. Approve Water Rebate for Alex Lopez 614 27<sup>th</sup> Street Road in the amount of \$365.20
- g. Approve Water Rebate for Mary Eisle 2731 7<sup>th</sup> Ave in the amount of \$252.33
- h. Approve Water Rebate for Tim Costello 2738 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Ln in the amount of \$414.84
- i. Approve Water Rebate for Sam Parsons 2706 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the amount of \$165.00

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Katherine Rodriguez seconded to approve the Consent Agenda items a.-i.  
6 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

### Public Not on the Agenda Invited to be Heard

There was none.

### Consider Health Insurance Benefits for 2023

There is a 3% increase for the plans the Town currently offers. That will cause a slight increase of the payroll deduction for four employees and decrease the HSA deposits for the remaining five employees. We added the \$50.00 Globe benefit this year which is not included in the \$750.00 monthly stipend, so employees already received a bump in benefits. The new plans are less expensive but offer less financial ease than the current ones.

Sam Parsons moved, and Katherine Rodriguez seconded to stay with the health, dental and vision plans the Town offers through Public Sector Health Group.

6 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

### Consider Disposal of the Police Department's 2014 Impala

The Chevy Impala is out of commission and the Police Chief would like to have the freedom to decide whether to donate or sell it. He would like to donate it to Aims College or Ault Police Department. It is not viable as a police vehicle at this time. The amount it would cost to repair the electrical issues and other problems would be too much of a financial liability for the department. If donated to Aims for their Law Enforcement program, they would decommission it for free and be able to use it as a learning tool in multiple education departments.

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Tim Costello seconded to allow Chief Black to move forward with the disposal of the Impala in whatever way he chooses.

6 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

### Consider Proposals for the Town Shop AC/Heating Unit

The Public Works Director wants to install a heating/ac unit in the shop to keep the temperatures moderate during the extreme weather months. Quotes from Lemon's Heating and Cooling and Air Solutions were obtained, and Brett did the appropriate research on both systems quoted. He recommends the Air Solutions quote would be a better business decision for the Shop as the model quoted is of better quality.

Sam Parsons moved, and Katherine Rodriguez seconded approve the Air Solutions proposal in the amount of \$7,442.50.

6 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

### Approve Cheryl Campbell's Paid Time Off for October 6-14 2022 and December 19-30, 2022

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Tim Costello seconded to approve Cheryl Campbell's paid time off for October 6-14 and December 19-30, 2022.

6 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

### Discuss Town Investment Policy

The Board is interested in CD's and Treasury bonds that have a lower risk associated with them. They also decided to invest at budget time every year instead of doing it at a higher interval during the year. This will ease the accounting side of the process.

This will be discussed more and the next regular meeting.

### Staff Reports

#### a. Town Administrator

The auditors are back this week to hopefully finish up. He is looking at checks written over \$10k so far in 2022. The budget meeting is tomorrow where events and goals will be discussed, among other items. Based on revenues received so far in 2022, sales tax is projected to be down by \$200k.

#### b. Police Chief

Cheryl gave the Chief's report. The unmarked Crown Victoria requires a computer repair. There have been several reports and contacts of homeless people from the Cold Weather shelter by the late cars. Some of these have resulted in warrant arrests, other narcotic complaints and moving people out of the town. The Colorado Body Worn Camera grant was approved and the Town will receive \$8,840.96. The evidence room is being updated to create efficiencies for the officers in evidence packaging and safety. Officer Johnson will be at Taser Instructor School this week. All personnel will be scheduled for training for Central Square, the County's new records management system, in October. The system goes live in November.

#### c. Public Works Director

Fall Clean-up Days is November 4-6 and the street cleaners will be sweeping the streets the following week to prepare for the winter. At Your Service Electric will be back this week to finish the electrical in the shop and Community Center. Brett and Officer Brown power washed the PD garage. The echo in the Community Center is very noticeable and distracting for trainings. Brett received a quote for carpet at \$10,225. Other options are being looked at, including sound boards to put on the walls or ceilings.

#### d. Town Attorney

Mr. Godbold advised that he would like to have a meeting with Judge Stewart and Cheryl in the near future to go over what part of the traffic code the judge would like to decriminalize. He also advised the Board if they would like to start billing him at a flat rate, he would be open to considering that.

### Other Board Issues

The Town is looking at options for a new printer for the Town Hall. One of the Board members works for Bratton's Office Equipment. Cheryl asked Mr. Godbold if it would be a conflict of interest if the Town purchased something from the company. The Board member doesn't directly benefit from the interaction and Mr. Godbold stated that it wouldn't be a conflict. The Mayor would like to discuss the Town Administrator's pay at the next regular meeting.

### Announcements

- a. Budget Session for all other departments, September 21, 2022 at 5:30PM. Dinner will be provided.
- b. The CML District meeting is in Evans on September 29, 2022 at 4PM

### Adjourn

Since there was no further business Sam Parsons moved, and Leigh Sorensen seconded to adjourn the meeting.

6 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Fil Archuleta adjourned the meeting at 6:08PM.

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