

Town of Garden City Minutes

March 21, 2023

Regular Meeting

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

Swear in Kenneth Amick as Police Officer

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes from March 7, 2023 Regular Meeting
- b. Approve February 2023 Treasurer's Report
- c. Approve Bills Paid
- d. Approve Bills To Be Paid
- e. Approve AWP invoice in the amount of \$22,540
- f. Approve Sound Isolation Company invoice in the amount of \$4,257.81

Tim Costello moved, and Leigh Sorensen seconded to approve the Consent Agenda items a.-f.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Public Not on the Agenda Invited to be Heard

There was none.

Consider Commercial Revitalization Grant Application for BNK REI LLC 615 26th Street in the amount of \$4,290

Alex Lopez moved, and Katherine Rodriguez seconded to continue this item to the next regular meeting on April 4, 2023.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Consider Community Center awning quotes

Tim Costello moved, and Leigh Sorensen seconded to approve the 2Bros Construction quote in the amount of \$24,820 for the Community Center awning.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Approve update to Employee Manual

This update to the Employee Manual was discussed at the last regular meeting regarding the medicare situation for employees 65 and older.

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Tim Costello seconded to approve the update to the Employee Manual.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Approve Criminal Justice Grant Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Fund expenditures

This is the grant to retrofit the Community Center for court.

Tim Costello moved, and Alex Lopez seconded to approve the Criminal Justice Grant Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Fund expenditures in the amount of \$32,101.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Bootleggin' Days discussion

Officer Brown addressed the Board. This year he is considering closing 8th Avenue on Saturday to draw in a bigger crowd. A hard closure would be at 27th Street Road across 8th and at 27th Street Place across 8th. Businesses would not be inconvenienced, and would hopefully benefit from the closure. Bands will be prioritized this year. The car show will be along 27th Street Road and will funnel down 7th Avenue.

Staff Reports

a. Town Administrator

Cheryl advised the Board that one of the Investment CDs was in the failed Signature Bank. Stifel is working with the FCID to get the money reimbursed. Stifel also advised that the market is losing stability. From ColoTrust, our CDs have gained \$16,000 in interest in six weeks. Some protocols and programs that were previously in place were canceled or changed in 2023 and 2021. The admin team is working on reinstating these programs to get back to normal. The building inspector has approved an event space in a retail location in town. There are parking concerns that will have to be addressed before the business can open to the public. New legislation has been circulating that makes the affordable housing problem the fault of the municipalities. The Town Attorney will be attending a seminar about this to plan for whatever comes next. The new model traffic code will be in effect within 30 days.

b. Police Chief

Chief Black addressed the Board. The patrol cars that are on order still do not have a delivery date. The department is earmarked for a civilian vehicle, although it may be more expensive than waiting for the patrol vehicles. This is still not decided on. Chief Black has applied for a JAG Grant in the amount of \$81,000 for computer upgrades for all employees and to possibly get a server for the town instead of the shared network that is used now. Officer Amick was sworn in tonight and will be training for the next several weeks. Black is hoping to get him signed off as soon as possible. There are a few applicants for the department's part-time officer program that he will be interviewing soon.

c. Public Works Director

Brett advised the Board that the new message board has been delivered and is working. The crosswalk sign should be delivered Thursday. The property owner for the event space in town has been contacted and told that they will need to have the proper amount of parking spaces.

d. Town Attorney

Mr. Godbold had nothing to report.

Other Board Issues

There were no issues to discuss.

Announcements

a. The Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 1st at 10:00am at Town Hall

Adjourn

As there was no further business, Leigh Sorensen moved, and Alex Lopez seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Fil Archuleta adjourned the meeting at 6:59 PM.

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