

PRESENT: Mayor Tim Goenner **Council Members:** Sabrina Miller, Lance Gilliland, Stefany Janish, and Chad Nelson

Absent: Evan Johnson, Public Works Director

Also Present: City Engineer Keith Yapp, Amanda Scheiber City Treasurer, Matt Lunser

Mayor Tim Goenner called the Council meeting at 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: Motion made by Nelson, seconded by Gilliland to approve the agenda as written. Motion approved by majority vote of all members present.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

- City Council Meeting Minutes – December 15th, minutes
- Accounts payable, receivables and EFTs for December 2025

MOTION: Motion made by Gilliland, seconded by Nelson to approve December 15th, 2025 minutes, and Consent agenda items as listed. Motion approved by majority vote of all members present.

OPEN FORUM:

SHERIFF REPORT

53 Calls for December. 26 Security Checks, 5 traffic stops and 3 security alarms were among the most frequent.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

17 Calls for December. 14 Medical, 1 Fire, 1 Motor Accident, and 1 Gas Leak.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

Absent due to illness

PAT ARNOLD – PARCEL ID 70-00408-0230

Pat Arnold asked to talk about a piece of property within the city that the city may use for a water source. City Council will investigate getting a test drill done this winter to see if it is viable for water.

RESOLUTION 26-01 ANNUAL COUNCIL DESIGNATIONS

City Staff presented the annual designations, the newspaper and bank accounts for the city, which will remain the same for the next year.

MOTION: Motion made by Nelson, seconded by Miller to approve Resolution 26-01.
Motion approved by majority vote of all members present.

RESOLUTION 26-02 DESIGNATING OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

City Staff provided appointments from last year with updates on the new inspector for the city and the Interim Fire Chief Matt Lunser. Everything else remained the same. In the next year, the city will look into new City Attorney and City Auditor.

MOTION: Motion made by Gilliland, seconded by Janish to approve Resolution 26-02.
Motion approved by majority vote of all members present.

RESOLUTION 26-03 GAMBLING ACTIVITIES FOR CLEAR LAKE LIONS CLUB

City Staff present Clear Lake Lions Club gambling activities for the next year for their events.

MOTION: Motion made by Janish, seconded by Miller to approve gambling activities for Lions Club.
Motion approved by majority vote of all members present. Abstained Lance Gilliland.

RESOLUTION 26-04 GAMBLING ACTIVITES FOR ST. MARCUS CHURCH

City Staff presents St. Marcus Church gambling activities for the next year for their events.

MOTION: Motion made by Janish, seconded by Nelson to approve gambling activities for St. Marcus Church.
Motion approved by majority vote of all members present.

RESOLUTION 26-05 ACCEPTING DONATION FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

A donation was made to the fire department for \$250.00 from Pearl and Daryn Lehnen.

MOTION: Motion made by Gilliland, seconded by Janish to accept the donation.
Motion approved by majority vote of all members present. Abstained Chad Nelson

PTO CARRYOVER DISCUSSION

City Staff presented that in the policy handbook for employees have no clarification on PTO carryover for employees. Council decided on 40 hours can be carried over into the next year from the year prior.

MOTION: Motion made by Nelson, seconded by Miller to approve of 40 hours of PTO carryover.

Motion approved by majority vote of all members present.

ADVERSE WEATHER DISCUSSION

City Council wanted to discuss adverse weather policy in employee handbook. The policy states that City Staff have designation on when it will remain open or closed due to inclement weather. After discussion, no changes will be made to the policy, only that an email be sent to council.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE ON ELECTION PROCESS FOR A NEW FIRE CHIEF

Personnel Committee presented the election process for the new Fire Chief. The Fire Chief would have a 4-year term. It would be voted on by the fire department, and the applicant would have to qualify for the position.

MOTION TO APPROVE POLICY CHANGES IN EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Tabled – Until City Clerk returns

MOTION TO APPROVE NEW EMPLOYEE REVIEW

Personnel Committee updated the reviews for 2026.

MAYOR REPORT:

NOTHING TO REPORT

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

NOTHING TO REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion made by Miller, seconded by Nelson to adjourn the Council Meeting. Motion was approved by majority vote of all members present. 8:40 PM

Amanda Scheiber, City Treasurer