

**Minutes
City of Griswold
Regular Council Meeting
Council Chambers, December 1, 2008 6:00 p.m.**

The Griswold City Council met in regular session at City Hall. Mayor Putnam called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council present: Wyman, Shields, Carlisle, Rink, Bergstrom.

Motion by Shields to approve the agenda with the removal of item c under new business – 803 Main St. property – Kurt & Traci Luke; second by Rink. Approved 5-0.

Motion by Shields to approve the following items under the Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of the November 3 & 17 regular meetings.
- b. Employees overtime report.
- c. License application for Class B Native Wine & Sunday Sales Permit – The Flower Basket.

Second by Wyman. Approved 5-0.

Claims. Shields said that according to the 28E agreement with the Cass County Sheriff's Dept., the city is to receive 40 hours of coverage each week. In reviewing the report submitted by the Sheriff's Dept., the city received only 67 hours in the month of August, 77 hours in September and 103 in October. Shields said he feels the city should not make payment to the Sheriff's office until the hours are corrected. It was decided to have Councilman Shields write a letter to the Sheriff's Dept. asking for a correction in the amount of coverage given to the city. Motion by Wyman to approve the claims as presented; second by Rink. Approved 5-0.

Reports:

Community Building. Written report submitted by Manager, Shiona Putnam.

City Hall. Written report submitted by Clerk, Dawn Ridlen

Library. No report given.

Committee Reports. Shields presented a proposal from ADT for security cameras. He would like to form a committee consisting of himself, councilman Wyman, and Moy Bejare to look into other options. ADT would be at the next meeting to give a presentation of their system.

Wyman reported the EMA Board voted to hire a full-time EMA Director.

Resolution 9-2008 to hold a hearing on disposal of real property owned by the City of Griswold. Motion by Shields adopt Resolution 9-2008; second by Bergstrom. Roll call: Ayes-Bergstrom, Wyman, Rink, Shields, Carlisle. Nays-None. Resolution 9-2008 adopted.

Set date for Special Meeting – Employee Evaluations. Meeting was set for Monday, December 8, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Letter of resignation – Mitch Kline. Motion by Rink to accept the letter of resignation from Mitch Kline effective November 18, 2008; second by Wyman. Approved 5-0.

Hiring of Public Works Employee. Council discussed hiring of a full-time public works employee. Council agreed to advertise for the position with a deadline of December 19, 2008.

Propositions and Remarks from Council Members. Carlisle reported on a meeting with County Engineers regarding "No Name Creek". They hope to have a report available by December 15. He also has spoken with the adjoining property owner about adding to the section of the creek already approved by the city to be cleaned and seeing if they would contribute to the project. The matter will be placed on the December 8 agenda. Carlisle gave an update on the burn pile. He is still working with DNR on placement of the burn pile.

Shields commented on city employees belonging to boards or committees that would take them away from their jobs. He also questioned if all city employees are randomly drug tested. Clerk Ridlen said those employees required to have a CDL license are randomly tested in accordance with Federal guidelines.

Mayor Putnam informed the council of a meeting of the Flood Mitigation Group, NRCS and County Engineers at 5:00 on December 15, 2008 at the Community Building.

Motion by Wyman to adjourn; second by Carlisle. Approved 5-0; 7:21 p.m.

Jerry Putnam
Mayor

Dawn Ridlen
City Clerk