**Minutes**

**City of Gridley**

**Council Meeting**

**Wednesday**

**November 1,** **2023**

**6:00 PM.**

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Mayor Lynn Osburn called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. City Council Members in attendance were Greg Yotz, Les Stone, Stella Eccles, and RJ Snovelle. City Attorney Rustin Kimmell, City Water and Sewer Maintenance Operator Brian Isch, City Clerk Teresa Budd, Coffey County Housing Authority Director Ronda Gilbert, Gridley Sr. Citizens members Linda Birk, Denny Birk and concerned citizen Terry Snyder.

Dee Ann Goertzen took the Oath of acting City Council member of Gridley Kansas. Administrated by City Clerk Teresa Budd. Dee Ann Goertzen will serve out the term for Owen Redding who resigned on September 6, 2023.

RJ Snovelle made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 4,2023 City Council meeting, Greg Yotz seconded, and all were in favor

Greg Yotz made a motion to approve the October / November 2023 bills, RJ Snovelle seconded, and all were in favor.

Voices of the Community heard from Terry Snyder a citizen of Gridley. Mr. Snyder is concerned about the possibility of a second food service establishment opening in Gridley & the effect it would have on Nancy’s Grocery store business.

Titan Rec Basketball registration forms have been turned into City Hall.

The Gridley Lake is open for fishing and camping. The bathrooms have been winterized and are closed for the off season.

The Community Building is open for events. The new appliances and tables are ready to use. The new chairs will arrive in November. The playground slide at the park has been repaired.

The October 31,2023 annual Gridley Trunk or Treat and 4-H dinner on Main St. was well attended. A fun time was had by all despite the 30-degree cold temperature. Senior Citizens will meet Friday November 3, at 12pm for a Thanksgiving potluck. The General Election is November 7, 2023 at the Community Building. The annual Veterans Bean Feed Dinner is Veterans Day November 11, 2023 at 6pm. The Titan Thunder Bity Basketball Camp breakfast fundraiser is November 18, 2023.

**Old Business**

1. Coffey County Housing Authority Director Ronda Gilbert and the City Council discussed the Gridley New Housing project. Coffey County Housing Authority received bids from two builders at their bid hearing on October 1, 2023.The Coffey County Housing Authority board has accepted the bid proposal for $194,000.00 from builder Robert Trujillo. President of the City Council Greg Yotz presented a memorandum for a written contract agreement with the Coffey County Housing Authority and the City of Gridley. City Attorney Rustin Kimmell will propose a written agreement between the City of Gridley and the Coffey County Housing Authority. Greg Yotz will assist in the completion of the contract. The City thus far has verbally committed to a 50/50 partnership with the Coffey County Housing Authority to build two homes in Gridley. The City has financially committed to pay Coffey County Housing Authority up to $125,000.00 per home, and agreed with the Coffey County Housing Authority on Robert Trijillo as the builder. Les Stone made a motion to authorize Mayor Lynn Osburn to sign the approved agreement contract when completed and make a commitment to the builder and the Coffey County Housing Authority. Greg Yotz seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

2. The City of Gridley Water Rate Increase Ordinance #351 published in the Coffey County

Republican on October 12 & 19, 2023 and will reflect on the November billing utility bills.

3. Les Stone made a motion to use the Smokey Ash colored siding for the necessary repairs to the Community Building. Stella Eccles seconded, and all were in favor. Kurt Kraft Construction will do the repairs.

**New Business**

1. City Water & Sewer Maintenance Operator Brian Isch would like the City Council to consider purchasing a remote monitoring system for the water station. The system would allow Brian to receive alerts by phone if a problem should arise with the water system. The City Council agreed the system would benefit the city and asked Brian to get more information.
2. City Clerk Teresa Budd reported Sales & Use Tax income for September 2023 recorded for $6764.29. Third Quarter reports have been paid and filed. The SAM.GOV account has been renewed for 2024. City Hall will be closed Thursday November 23,2023 and Friday November 24, 2023 to observe the Thanksgiving holiday. The Gridley United Methodist Church is ringing their church bell every day at 12:00pm this is a call to stop and pray for much needed rain.

Greg Yotz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stella Eccles seconded, and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.

Teresa Budd,

City Clerk.