

Downs City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 1, 2023, 5:30 p.m., at City Hall. Mayor Vienna Janis called the meeting to order and led in the flag salute. Council members present: Charlie Stevens, Joyce Hake, John Cordill, and Heather Hancock. Council not present: Devin Renken. Others present: Scot Loyd, John Bisnette, Richard Judd, Bruce Berkley, Harry Colburn, and Miranda Robinson.

John moved, seconded by Heather to approve regular meeting minutes from April 17, 2023. Motion carried

Animal Control Richard Judd reported that he picked up and returned one dog to its owner with a ticket given. Dog tags are now past due so letters went out to those who have not tagged their dog(s) and a \$15 late fee will be assessed.

Code Enforcement Harry Colburn reported that a letter went out to a resident who put up a fence without having a building permit.

Harry Colburn gave the water report stating that they will be draining the standpipe water tower this week so the company can power wash the inside as part of contract. Colburn stated he will monitor water well measurements. Colburn reported that the sewer meeting he went to last week on forever chemicals was informative. The EPA will make us check for the chemicals but can't there is nothing we can do to take it out. He also has got a physical address at lift station and lagoons 911 for the purposes and has signs out.

City Superintendent Harry Colburn reported that summer help Elijah will be starting Thursday this week and Lincoln starting next Tuesday. The new mower was picked up from Miller Welding.

City Clerk Miranda Robinson reported she had submitted the required ARPA Funds report as revenue loss. Also the 2023 Consumer Confidence Report (water quality) is available on the city website and she will be sending the certificate of delivery to KDHE at the end of the week.

The pool committee reported that the pool will open on May 27th. Pool rates are staying the same this year: \$3 daily entry with 3 and under free. Season passes: \$ 40 for individual student pass (includes college age); \$40 for senior pass(60+); \$100 for a family pass (persons living in same household); \$60 adult pass. Pool parties will be \$50 plus \$10/hr per lifeguard. Swim lessons will be \$35 per student. Also back this year is free swim Saturday and \$5 Family Funday Sunday.

In new business , Scot Loyd, CPA with the Loyd Group, LLC was in attendance to present the council with the 2022 audit report and financials. He reviewed the management letter with the council and went over important topics in the audit.

Mayor Janis appointed appointed city officers for 2023: Municipal Judge, Kenneth Lee; City Attorney, Bruce Berkley; City Clerk, Miranda Robinson; Assistant City Clerk, Jaqui Frasier; Treasurer, Dave Draayer; Deputy Treasurer, Melanie Schreiner; Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator, Harry Colburn; Code Enforcement, Harry Colburn; Animal Control, Richard Judd; City Superintendent Harry Colburn. Joyce moved, seconded by Heather, to approve the Mayor's appointments. Motion carried.


Heather moved, seconded by Joyce, to approve contractor's licenses #23-35. Motion carried.

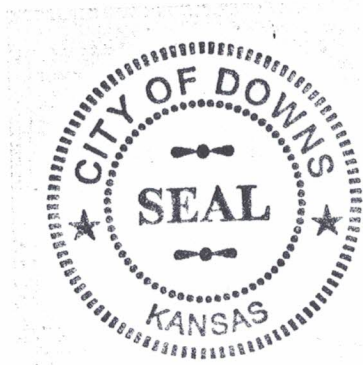
Heather moved, seconded by John, to approve Building Permit #23-10. Motion carried.

In the Mayor's report, she reminded council members who are up for election and community members to file by June 1st at noon in Osborne.

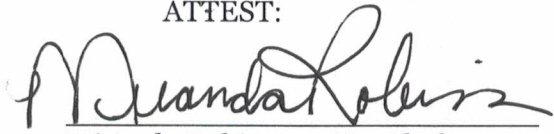
Joyce moved, seconded by Charlie, to approve vouchers and payroll as presented.

Heather moved, seconded by John, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

  
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Vienna Janis, Mayor



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Miranda Robinson, City Clerk