

GOODLAND TOWN COUNCIL

November 25, 2024

THOSE PRESENT: Jake Rudisill, Jordan Rudisill, Kase LaReau, Mirahida Kindig, John Schwartz, Shane Whaley, Michael Manis, Jim Butler, Maureen Inman, Dan Rausch, Nicole Hurd, Trisha Potts, Gary Rheude, Trent Rogers, Tiffany Stigers, Brandi Hurd, Jeff Miiller, Bill Babcock, Tom Mattox, Dillon Hall, Kim Datzman, Billie Trumble, Dane Juhl, Karen Rogers, Mallory Redlin

UBO HEARINGS

129 W. Prairie Kody Spear attorney for the Burton's was present. Smart roofing has started demo on the front porch, paperwork has been filed for eviction. Mr. Spear is asking for more time Jim made a motion to continue for January 20, 2025, 2nd by Trisha. Unanimous.

109 W. North Tina Terry was not present. BI John Schwartz was sworn in and testified that there is a hole in the roof, fascia needs replaced, gutters are hanging and will need replaced, remove all brush in back yard. Jim made motion 2nd by Trisha to continue in 30 days. December 16, 2025. Unanimous.

321 S James Karen Rogers and her son Trent were present along with Mr. Manis. Paperwork has been started for new owner Manuel Moran and should be deeded by the January 2025 meeting. Jim made a motion to continue January 20, 2025, 2nd by Trisha. Unanimous.

326 N Newton Mr. Juhl was present and stated that the back porch and peak have been sided. BI John Schwartz agreed with this. Jim made a motion to continue May 19, 2025, meeting 2nd by Trisha. Unanimous.

416 N. Newton Jeff Miiler was present he stated that they were going to burn the building asking for an extension until warmer weather. Jim made motion 2nd by Trisha. Unanimous.

Regular Meeting

Council president Jim Butler made a motion to waive the minutes of the meeting and was 2nd by Gary Rheude. Unanimous.

Old Business

Gary made the motion 2nd by Jim for disconnect list. Shut off will be on Tuesday November 26, 2024.

New Business

1. Building inspector – John had nothing new to report.
2. Financial Report – Gave financial report. The clerk presented the council with an invoice for Newton County Economic Development loan payment that is due by December 31, 2024. Jim made a motion to pay the \$40,000.00 payment from fund 2503 this was 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.
3. Fire Department Report – 12 fire calls, 10 EMS calls, 2 mutual aid calls 1 to Brook, and 1 to Kentland. 1 GVFD member will be graduating from the Fire 1 & 2 academy in early December, 5 members have been scheduled for Fire 1 & 2 academy in mid-December/early January. 2 department EMRs have been enrolled in Emergency Medical Technician academy starting in December. KIRPC and Fire Chief have been finalizing the grant application and process to secure a grant through FEMA for new pumper and or pumper/tanker combo that will upgrade the department and replace the 1980 ford pumper. Officer elections are scheduled for this evening at the fire dept and upon conclusion results and updaters roster will be forwarded to the council, and the town clerk and dispatch. Breakfast with Santa is well in the final stages of being ready for December 14th at the fire station from 8 to 11 for a large variety breakfast and festivities and toy raffles and giveaways. The donated ambulance from Homeland security to the fire department has been evaluated by B&M. Cleaning and decal have been under way and certain upgrades in getting the unit ready for service with the dept. as a medical no transport unit, rehab unit on fire scenes and a support unit to the fire dept. The title and such will be

forwarded to the Town Clerk accordingly for plates and insurance arrangements with no major increase in the budget cost of insurance coverage.

4. Police Department Report – 41 calls, 14 handled by county, 14 handled by Goodland. Dillon had 7 ordinance violations, 3 warnings, 3 tickets. All state requirements are completed and turned into the State.

5. Street and Water Dept.- The alley between the public works building and Mi Vallarta has been painted with “No Parking” signs and four parking spots next to public works building. We are working with Ken Smith on roads to be paved for the January Community Crossing Grant application. Downtown Christmas banners and lights will be installed after Thanksgiving. We have repaired another spot on the previous four-inch water main leak in the old car lot. We will be repairing a water leak at the ball field location in the upcoming weeks. We will be installing a new service line at 306 S Benton Steet. We have repaired a chemical injection line at the Drinking “Water Treatment Plant. We have purchased the siding for the Drinking “Water Plant repairs on the west side of the building. We still have the sewer boring on schedule for the Foster Park buildings. We have winterized the ballfields buildings. We will be obtaining quotes to run a new water line to the ballfields. We have purchased materials to repair/replace the railing on the gazebo at Foster Park.

6. Sewer Department – BL Anderson has finally completed the repairs on the influent and stream flow meters located at the WWTP.

7. Attorney’s Report – Mallory was present and stated the Brightspeed would like to start look at fiber optic and wanted to know if we should use the same contract that was used for Surf Internet? Jim made a motion to use the contract 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. Mallory is to get with Jud about writing up contract for HeadStart Lease and Right Steps Child Care Lease.

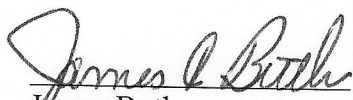
8. Leak credit letters Gerald Cornell for a leak in his house. Jim made a motion 2nd by Trisha. Unanimous.

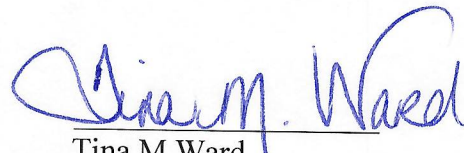
9. HeadStart director Tiffany Stigers and Brandi Hurd were present to discuss lease of the Community Cener since there lease is up with NCCS at the end of the year. Jim made a motion from now until September 2025 rent will stay the same \$1,100.00 HeadStart, \$900.00 Right Steps Child Care. Town will pay all utility bills. Clerk is to keep a spreadsheet of all utilities and if their rent does not cover the utilities then they will pay the difference. Will revisit this in September 2025. 2nd by Trisha. Unanimous.

10. Billie Trumble was present and ask about putting solar lights around the pond for Christmas. This is something that she will do. Also wanted to talk about cat population discussion followed.

11. Kim Datzman was present to talk about how fast vehicles go through the alley behind her house, and wanted to know if there was something that the town could do, maybe speedbump logs? The council said they would look into this matter. Kim also asked about a pickleball court in the gym, Jim stated that if someone wanted to look into this and see what it takes, he would be okay with it.

12. With the Agenda matters concluded, the Council began signing claims and then Trisha adjourned the meeting and Gary 2nd Unanimous.


James Butler
President


Tina M Ward
Secretary