

# Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

May 14, 2024

(Original meeting date May 7, 2024 – rescheduled due to inclement weather – multiple tornado warnings.)

Meeting called to order at 6:30p

**Present:** Chaney, Kelly, Kenney, Ludwig, Miller, Alyssa Schwili, Sutherland, Coburn, Borden

**Absent:** None **Guests:** Rita Beck, Bill Lewis, Cathy Wiessert

**(Sutherland/Kenney)** Motion to approve agenda with date change & addition of website. CARRIED

**(Kenney/Sutherland)** Motion to approve minutes from April 16, 2024. CARRIED

**(Kenney/Sutherland)** Motion to approve bill package for a total of \$35,751.39 CARRIED – Roll Call – 7-0

Guests: *Rita Beck* – Presented the council with a petition with 118 signatures opposing the RR Quiet Zone being considered. Request included that if pursued the final decision be voted on by the Village of Climax residents.  
*Bill Lewis* – The Library has scheduled “Wonka” as the first Movie in the Park for Saturday, May 25. Note: no rain dates will be scheduled. They are finalizing their list of family friendly movies for the remaining dates. Also, the electrical changes have been made for a safer, more convenient access for these movie events.

Communications: None.

Public Works:

- 1) Water samples/pumpage reports are done for the month
- 2) New signs have been put up at the east entrance to town.
- 3) Very busy with cemetery work.
- 4) All the flowers have been put in the planters.
- 5) Forrest is waiting on his water test results.
- 6) There were no water shut-offs this quarter.
- 7) There are several trees that are of concern – 131, 138, & 250 N. Church St.
- 8) (Schwili/Sutherland) Motion to hire Roger Smith as a part time DPW employee at a rate of \$16/hr. up to 20 hours per week. CARRIED – Roll Call – 7-0

Streets/Sidewalks/Census: Latest update from Quiet Zone analysis: no RR equipment would have to be replaced/or added.

Parks/Cemetery/Library: WWII Memorial update: signs/plaques font had to be changed but still might be here to have in place by Memorial Day. If not done a temporary rendering will be in place. Cornhole game should be arriving in mid-June.

Water: Discussed updated information regarding change from Asyst to BS&A for water billing. BS&A is discontinuing .NET software and moving to CLOUD based. The cost to make this change & add the utilities module will cost approximately \$43,000 and the annual maintenance fee will also increase. Will be looking at alternatives.

Administration/Employee Relations: (Kenney/Chaney) Motion to pay Brenda Borden \$30/hour with a cap of \$300 to train Sydney Cope. CARRIED – Roll Call – 6-1 (Nay – Kelly); Denise Kenney submitted a letter of resignation as she will be moving out of state. (Ludwig/Chaney) Motion to accept letter of resignation from Denise Kenney as of 5/14/24. CARRIED; (Chaney/Ludwig) Motion to appoint Arlene Vanhout Von Hout to the vacant trustee position as of May 15, 2024. CARRIED

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Emergency siren – based on recent events Nick will revisit this – will work on having quotes sometime in June.
- 2) KCSO – 23 directed patrols in April
- 3) ARPA funds – received a contract to renew with KCSO to run June 1, 2024-June 1, 2025.
- 4) People sleeping in Post Office lobby – nothing found on camera footage.

Ordinances/Zoning: Several complaints on Sheldon property. File has been set up.

Old Business: Discussion on REVIZE website proposal. Offer from Mr. Harvey to give another quote to consider. Decision needs to be made so that website can be up to date.

New Business: None

(Sutherland/Kenney) Motion to adjourn at 7:29 p.m.

Linda Coburn, Clerk

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May 21, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:30p

**Present:** Chaney, Kelly, Von Hout, Ludwig, Miller, Schwili, Sutherland, Borden

**Absent:** Coburn            **Guests:** Captain Bishop, Osbrones

**(Sutherland/Chaney)** Motion to approve agenda with Von Hout spelling correction. CARRIED

**(Sutherland/Kelly)** Motion to approve minutes from May 14, 2024. CARRIED

**(Sutherland/Schwili)** Motion to approve bill package for \$9,633.12 CARRIED – Roll Call- 7-0

**(Schwili/Sutherland)** Motion to approve treasurer's report for \$845,469.38 CARRIED- Roll Call -7-0

5/24            **Guests:** Captain Bishop- Reviewed calls for service. Discussion regarding Axon Roadshow on from 10a to 2p open to council members. Informed that Mike Korfron will be getting in touch with Nick regarding tornado siren. Captain Christensen retiring in July and Undersheriff Van Dyken will be retiring in January. Brief discussion ensued regarding CPL requirement to carry civilian taser.

Osbrones- 250 N Church St. tree issue. David shared information presented by the attorney that it will be the homeowner's responsibility. Advocated against quiet zone.

Communications: None.

Public Works:

- 1) Memorial Day preparation. Mowing on Friday and trimming through the weekend. Painting curbs.
- 2) Construction sign on NE corner of town will be moved to SE corner of town post festivities.

Streets/Sidewalks/Census: None.

Parks/Cemetery/Library: Card for Denise was distributed and signed. No cornhole board progress. Potential in June. Plaque for fallen soldier memorial should arrive Friday May 24, 2024.

Water: July 1, bills will be going out. Sydney's training has been progressing and should be concluding shortly.

Administration/Employee Relations: None.

Public Safety: Discussed the KCSO 2025 contract and that no further action needs to be taken. Informed about "Ghost Rider" initiative that unmarked cars will be around searching for distracted driving. Shared used and new tornado siren quotes. Spoke with West Shore and will be scheduling visit first week of June. Discussed text fraud awareness relating to scamming. Speed trailers active in the county. Sean Perrin injured and may not be available for the coming weeks.

Ordinance: Letters out. 125 Sheldon and 140 Church don't have mailboxes and conversation ensued regarding distribution. Dave will show Carolyn how to access county records. Discussion regarding ordinance procedure and job descriptions.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Water job description requested for Arlene. Kevin Harvey discussed Wix website proposal. Question for further research included CMS and security.

(Sutherland/Chaney) Motion to adjourn at 7:55p.m.

Nick Ludwig, Trustee