

**City of Scio  
City Council Minutes  
January 9, 2023**

**LOCATION:** SCIO CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 38957 NW 1<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE, SCIO  
Public was allowed to attend in person or via Zoom.

**Time Start:** 6:00 P.M.

**Time End:** 6:49 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Debbie Nuber. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant.

**COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE LOG**

COUNCIL	SCIO STAFF
Mayor Debbie Nuber	Ginger Allen, City Manager – Via Zoom
Councilor Karen Eckhart	Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant
Councilor Joey Ferguson	Tre' Kennedy, City Attorney
Councilor Tom Gray	LaVonne Murray, Librarian
Councilor Tom Meyer	
Councilor Dennis Shaffer	
Councilor Luke Zedwick	

**AUDIENCE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Lt. Brian Hardy, Linn County Sheriff's Office	Rebecca Shaffer
Lea Hackler	

**SWEARING IN OF SCIO CITY COUNCILORS**

Mayor Debbie Nuber administered the oath of office to the following duly elected council members:

- Tom Gray
- Dennis Shaffer
- Luke Zedwick

AGENDA	ACTIONS
<p><b><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• December 12, 2022 City Council Minutes</li> <li>• December 2022 Statement of Revenue &amp; Expenditures</li> <li>• December 2022 Payment Journal</li> </ul>	<p>No questions.</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Eckhart, seconded by Councilor Zedwick, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. <b>Motion passed 6:0</b></p>
<p><b><u>PRESENTATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Linn County Sheriff's Report</b></p> <p>a. December 2022 Report – Lt. Brian Hardy</p>	<p>Michael Mattingly – Community Services Coordinator, liaison neighborhood watch, making rounds, asked if there were any questions.</p> <p>Lt. Brian Hardy – in charge of contract cities. Lt. Hardy stated that Clayton Burford was the person who received</p>

<p>b. Council Discussion</p>	<p>multiple arrests within the city. He has been evicted. Property vacant.</p> <p>He stated that it was the goal of the sheriff's office to get the deputies who work in the contract cities to come to city meetings so that they can get to know who they work for.</p> <p>Councilor Shaffer stated that today was National Law Enforcement Day, and thanked them for their service.</p> <p>Gray asked about stolen state vehicle. Councilors ask additional questions regarding the incident. Lt. Hardy said that he would look into the situation and send a report to the council.</p> <p>Ferguson asked about the incident with the male in Lincoln City and why included in the incident? Lt. Hardy stated that he made threats regarding local churches, so they created a call and did extra patrol of the churches to make sure that there were not incidents. He had no history with the city, no credible threat, but had to deal with it.</p>
<p><b>Library Report</b></p> <p>a. Presentation by LaVonne Murray, Librarian</p>	<p>Ms. Murray updated the council on events happening at the library. Library attendance slow over the holidays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Storytime – Kindergarten &amp; 1<sup>st</sup> grade class will come to the library once a month</li> <li>• STEM Day – occurs monthly on 1<sup>st</sup> Friday</li> <li>• Genealogy 102 starts on January 12<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>
<p><b>REGULAR SESSION</b></p> <p><b>City Fee Schedule Revisions</b></p> <p>a. Staff Report – Ginger Allen</p>	<p>Ms. Allen stated that there has been no fee increases since 2016. City does not have system development charges. Biggest increases are in the area of hook-up fees. Fallen behind in the sewer.</p> <p>Tried to make the fees more administratively friendly. Planning Fees and Engineering is contracted out, so increases in fees in planning reflects increases for those cost.</p> <p>Allen reminded the council that they have already approved the library fees. They had to go through the process as well.</p>

<p>b. Council Discussion</p>        <p>c. Council Decision</p>	<p>Shaffer – RV Permit – Allen resolution created several years ago, people can visit and stay on public property for up to 7 days and after that then there is a fee for an additional 7 days. Shaffer – how policed? Allen – complaint driven.</p> <p>Ferguson asked for clarification on Library Fees – Notary Services – Planning Fees how did we come up with them? Allen went back over costs. Land use is the amount of work done.</p> <p>Zedwick – how often to review Allen – every three years,</p> <p>A motion to approve the revised City Fee Schedule was made by Councilor Zedwick, and seconded by Councilor Meyer, as presented.</p> <p><b>Motion passed 6:0</b></p>
<p><b><u>COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF</u></b></p> <p>a. City Manager’s Report</p>            <p>b. City Attorney’s Report</p>	<p>Ms. Allen reviewed the City Manager’s report dated January 6, 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PW Shop Update – expect to be done by the end of February</li> <li>• Public Restroom – Design phase – staff reviewing initial design, will then go to engineering, possible late May or early June</li> <li>• Parks and Tree Committee Update – chairman had to resign due to work related issues. Staff will continue to meet with existing members until another member is approved.</li> <li>• NW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Safe Routes to School Grant Meeting – Will be meeting with Superintendent Steve Martinelli, January 10<sup>th</sup>, due to new ADA requirements. Depending on results of meeting will go out for bid end of February.</li> </ul> <p>Zedwick – asked about the Parks &amp; Tree Committee, Safe Routes to School Plan</p> <p>Allen – project – planned ADA bulb-out</p> <p>Gray how did the Tree Survey turn out.</p> <p>Tre – Dusk to Dawn clarification.</p>

<p><b><u>ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Councilor Meyer</li> <li>b. Councilor Shaffer</li> <li>c. Councilor Eckhart</li> <li>d. Councilor Ferguson</li> <li>e. Councilor Zedwick</li> <li>f. Councilor Gray</li> <li>g. Mayor Nuber</li> </ul>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> year in 12 years that the Gleaners have a surplus, a family in town gave a \$4K donation in December.</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>Good Luck Ginger, welcome to the new councilors</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>Looking forward to the shop being done.</p>
<p><b><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Leah Hackler</li> <li>b. Rebecca Shaffer -</li> </ul>	<p>Just Came to watch</p> <p>RV's – running cord across sidewalk, seems odd –</p> <p>Ms. Allen stated that RV's shouldn't really have that, creates a trip hazard, complaint form would need to be filled out.</p> <p>Mr. Kennedy stated that with no code restriction, a private party can be held liable for dangerous conditions created by the individual property owner. He said that there are certainly ways to modify a trip hazard.</p>