

CITY OF GHENT
APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL/EDA MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, 2025

The regularly scheduled City Council/EDA meeting for the City of Ghent was held on Tuesday, November 11th at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Mayor Doug Anderson, Adam DeRoode, Zac Boerboom & Mike Warren. Administrator/Clerk, Dawn Vlaininck & Public Works Director Jesse Christianson. Absent was Tim VanKeulen

OPEN MEETING: Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order @ 6:30 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Warren and seconded by Boerboom to approve the minutes of the October meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVE AGENDA: A motion was made by DeRoode and seconded by Warren to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: No comments were heard.

LYON COUNTY SHERRIFF'S DEPT: Sherriff Wallen was present with this month's call report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS: A motion was made by Boerboom and seconded by DeRoode to approve the fire department officers as follows: Chief 2 Steve Sussner and Captain 2 Dallas Mahoney. All in favor, motion carried. We visited further with Chief Maertens about funding the purchase of a new/used tanker. It was made clear that if the fire department plans to purchase a truck that costs more than the cash we have on hand, that prior approval is needed in order to budget.

CITY TREASURER POSITION: Our current treasurer, Lisa Tykwinski, has submitted her resignation as of December 31st, 2025. An updated job description was reviewed. A motion was made by DeRoode and seconded by Boerboom to approve of the new job description with a salary of \$90/ month. All in favor, motion carried. Council has given Dawn authority to visit with a possible applicant before advertising at large. We want to thank Lisa for her years of service.

PAY EQUITY REPORT: A motion was made by Boerboom and seconded by DeRoode to approve the pay equity report as presented.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Jeff & Kylie Davenport were present asking to keep the 8 chickens that they have currently. This is against our current ordinance. Council discussed and upheld the ordinance.

RESOLUTION #11-11-25: To Submit the Redwood River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan: A motion was made by DeRoode and seconded by Warren to adopt resolution as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT CERTIFICATION: A motion was made by Warren and seconded by DeRoode to assess any outstanding utility balances to Lyon County taxes at the end of November. All in favor, motion carried.

RAMP DESIGN: Mayor Anderson is working on a plan for the ramp and the need for engineering.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Warren and seconded by Boerboom to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dawn Vlaininck, Administrator/Clerk