

*Town of Bethlehem*  
*Council meeting*  
*July 10, 2023*

Present: Mayor Sandy McNab; Councilmen, Ashlie Franklin, Eric Dailey, Doug Koestel and Scott Morgan; Clerk, Kathy Bridges; Attorney Brian Dempsey and Thomas Mitchell

Visitors: Clay McDaniel Joe Price, Jerry and Sharon Johnson

The meeting opened at 7 p.m. with the discussion of the Unified Development Code led by Attorney Thomas Mitchell.

The council discussed the compliance issues with the 151 Star Street business. The law office was to draft a warning letter citing the violation of operating without a license and living in the business office. A citation would follow the warning with the ultimate action being taken to court.

Scott Morgan made the motion to sign the rescue funds budget resolution and with a second by Doug Koestel the vote was unanimous. Koestel explained that he had met with a Ga. Power representative and marked the power poles on Hwy 11 and Star Street which needed electric attachments for the Christmas lights. Koestel made the motion for the mayor to sign the Ga. Power Pole attachment agreements and Ashlie Franklin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Franklin made the motion to approve the June minutes and with a second by Eric Dailey the motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor shared that he had met with the auditor and no problems were found with the audit. He said the CD rates had gone up again with Bank OZ offering 5% on a 7 month and 5.5% on a 13 month. Doug Koestel made the motion to move \$50,000 to a 7-month CD and \$50,000 into the 13 months. Scott Morgan seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

Koestel adjourned the meeting at 8 p.m.