

Seneca Council approves new propane regulations

**(KMZA)--The Seneca City Council at their August 16 meeting approved a new ordinance regulating how propane can be stored and used in the city limits.**

**The new regulations apply to propane storage containers larger than 4.6 gallon or 20--pounds, commonly known as a grill cylinder, and used for the purpose of providing primary or secondary energy alternatives.**

**The new regulations require tanks to be buried in the ground with annual inspections by a certified inspector.**

**Once abandoned, tanks would have to be removed unless the owner shows good cause way abandonment is practical and necessary.**

**The city Planning Commission recommended approval of the ordinance following a public hearing August 14.**

**The Council voted last month to send the proposed ordinance to the planning Commission for review.**

**Its in response to a state statue approved in 2021 that limits municipalities' ability to completely ban residential and commercial propane installations.**

**In other business, the Council approved an updated public sidewalk, curb and gutter improvement policy. The updated policy increases the maximum allowable reimbursement per project to 50 percent, up to \$3,400.**

**The Council also approved the re-appointment of Betty Wenzel to the Seneca Housing Authority Board for another 4-year term, beginning September 1.**

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