

bimonthly

1. once every two months
2. [now rare] twice a month

biweekly

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Council meets during the first and third weeks of the month. Some months have 5 Tuesdays or Thursdays.

From the stylebook:

vote tabulations Always use figures for the totals.

Spell out below 10 in other phrases related to voting: by a five-vote majority, with three abstentions, four votes short of the necessary two-thirds majority.

For results that involve fewer than 1,000 votes on each side, use these forms: *The House voted 230-205, a 230-205 vote.*

To make totals that involve more than 1,000 votes on a side easier to read, separate the figures with the word to avoid hyphenated adjectival constructions. See [election returns](#) for examples.

Chapter 4**Exercise 4: Glennville Council Salaries**

You are a copy editor for the Glennville Gazette, the only paper serving the community of Glennville, a small ranching community in Central California. Using the AP Stylebook as a guide, edit the following news article, written by a stringer, for style, spelling, grammar, logic, syntax and factual errors. Also correct any awkward writing. Include comments about any information in the story that is incomplete or illogical.

~~GLENNVILLE, Calif.~~—~~The~~ Glennville City Council [members](#) voted Tuesday to give themselves a salary for attending their twice-monthly meetings.

The five council members will receive \$100 for each meeting ~~he~~ [they attends](#) [attend](#). The mayor is one of the five council members.

“It’s only fair,” ~~said~~ Mayor Harold Smythe said. “Some of us have to drive some distance to get ~~hear~~ here, and it takes up a good part of our day and evening.”

Council members ~~meets~~ at 6:30 p.m. the first and third Thursdays [??confirm day of the meeting and when the council normally meets] of each month for an informal study session to go over ~~its~~ their agenda. The formal council meeting starts at 7:30 and is usually ends by 10 p.m.

“That’s paying you guys almost \$30 an hour to perform a public service,” John Stevens, president of ~~Glennville’s~~ Glennville’s Honesty in Government ~~Assn.~~ Association, told the ~~Council~~ council during ~~their~~ its public hearing on the issue. “If you need the money that bad, you should go find a job.”

“We do have a job,” ~~Councilwoman Beth Godman responded,~~ “running this city.” Councilwoman Beth Godman responded. “I spend a lot of time on city business that doesn’t include the ~~Council~~ council ~~Meetings~~ meetings; it takes me away from my own business, and I think I ~~shuold~~ should be paid for my time.”

Godman owns a real estate company.

The vote on the salary was for 4-1, with Councilman George Sands dissenting.

“I believe serving your community is civic duty, not a paid job,” Sands said. “I also think that with the financial problems facing Glennville right now, its irresponsible to add to our expenditures.”

But Smythe ~~thought~~ said that the \$10,000 budgeted for salaries is insignificant part of the city’s \$1.5 million budget.

“We can find the money.”

(5 members x 2 meeting a month) x \$100 = \$1,000

\$1,000 x 12 months = \$12,000?? [check if council doesn’t twice some months]