

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

April 3, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Members Present – Betty Nelson, Rick Martin, David Higbee, Blaine Heble, Emile Gallant, Mark Friesen, Corey Peterson

Absent – Kelley Menke & Bill Taylor

Others Present – Greg DuMars, Jerry Lovett-Sperling, Holly Lofton, Tim Berggren, Gary Shogren, Larry Lindgren, Kate Elliott, Chris Lindholm, Bill Gusenius, Dan Carr,

Martha Danielson & Vicki Freeman

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Council President, Rick Martin, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Input – none

Amendments to the Agenda – none

Mayor's Report – Council received an invitation from Bethany College President to attend the Messiah with a meal following.

The CIP meeting is set for Thursday, April 13th at 5:30 p.m.

Greg DuMars read a proclamation in honor of Björn-Olov Hallberg, former mayor of our sister city, Munkfors, Sweden and friend of Lindsborg who recently passed away.

Consent Agenda – David Higbee moved to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2017 regular council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5038 and Purchase Order Ordinance 5039. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Appointments – Mayor Taylor has recommended the appointment of Marian Lindshield to the Lindsborg Housing Authority Board. Betty Nelson moved to approve the appointment. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed.

Planning & Zoning – Betty Nelson moved to adopt Ordinance 5040 which rezones the property at 131 S. 3rd from R-1, Single Family Dwelling District to R-2, Two Family Dwelling District. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Old Business – none

New Business – OFFICIAL CITY NEWSPAPER – David Higbee moved to designate the Lindsborg News Record as the official newspaper for purposes of legal publications. Motion seconded by Blaine Heble and passed.

OFFICIAL CITY DEPOSITORIES - Annually the City must name the official depositories for city funds. Staff recommends that the following financial institutions be named as official depositories: Peoples Bank and Trust, Farmers State Bank, First Bank Kansas, Bank of Tescott & the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool. Emile Gallant moved to approve the staff recommendations for official depositories. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed.

SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE REQUEST – Blaine Heble moved to approve the concept idea for the addition of the logo to the J O Sundstrom building. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed with Betty Nelson abstaining.

PERSONNEL POLICY - Proposed are a revision to the Personnel Call Back Policy and the addition of leave for victims of domestic violence or victim of sexual assault. The only change in the Call Back Policy is increasing the emergency call back pay from \$60 to \$90 for up to two hours of work. The call back pay of \$60 was established in 2007. The addition of Section VII-9 Discrimination, retaliation prohibited, time

off for certain purposes; documentation required; confidentiality of information; limitations on time off, provides for leave and protection for victims of domestic violence and victims of sexual assault. This section of policy also brings the City of Lindsborg's Personnel Policy in compliance with K.S.A. 44-1132. David Higbee moved to approve the policy changes with the addition of changing the work "must" with "is expected to" in Section VI-9 a. Motion seconded by Blaine Heble and passed.

Executive Session - no

Department Head Reports – CVB/SUNDSTROM – Director Holly Lofton noted that considerable time has been spent updating technology on the website and the Travel App.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Chief Berggren noted that the fire department has been going through their equipment making sure all is functioning properly, brought a body camera for council to see and shared first quarter statistics on runs for Fire, EMS & Police.

PUBLIC WORKS – Director Chris Lindholm thanked council for their trust in appointing him as the new director for Public Works, stating that he had a good group of guys and is looking forward to projects ahead. State Street is coming along, just need a few days of dry weather. Olsson Street project starts the second week of May.

Other – 1. Kathy Peterson has submitted her letter of intent to retire on July 7, 2017.

2. The City Administrator shared deadline dates for the fall elections of the mayor and council.

Adjournment - David Higbee moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lovett-Sperling, MMC

City Clerk