

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

March 20, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Members Present – Betty Nelson, Rick Martin, David Higbee, Blaine Heble, Emile Gallant, Mark Friesen, Kelley Menke & Bill Taylor

Absent – Corey Peterson

Others Present – Greg DuMars, Holly Lofton, Tim Berggren, Gary Shogren, Larry Lindgren, Tim Dunn, Kate Elliott, Chris Lindholm, Bill Gusenius, Dan Carr, Ed Kenney, Jim Richardson, Martha Danielson, Taylor Mace, Mike Dreier, Joe Hulse & Rick Bodenhamer

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Bill Taylor and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Input – Jim Richardson spoke on behalf of the Ad Hoc group regarding downtown amenities. Joe Hulse thanked council for their quick response to his question on a mowing bill on his lot.

Amendments to the Agenda –

Mayor's Report – Mayor Taylor encouraged folks to be good neighbors; reviewed March meetings and reminded everyone to recycle.

Community Development Director, Gary Shogren, read a proclamation for Fair Housing.

Consent Agenda – Betty Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2017 regular council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5035 and Purchase Order Ordinance 5036. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Appointments – PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – David Higbee moved to approve the appointment of Chris Lindholm to the position of Public Works Director effective April 1, 2017. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed.

CVB BOARD – Emile Gallant moved to approve the appointments of Tayla Mace & Rick Bodenhamer to the CVB Advisory Board. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed.

Planning & Zoning –

Old Business - none

New Business – ORDINANCE 5037 – BUILDING PERMIT & INSPECTION FEES – Rick Martin moved to approve Ordinance 5037 which amends the Official City Fee

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Schedule for the cost of plan reviews, inspection fees and building permit fees. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

RECREATION T-SHIRT QUOTES – The City received two quotes for shirts for the summer activities. Betty Nelson moved to approve the bid from Stewart Sports & Awards for 200 shirts with a logo on front and back at a cost of \$1,190.00. We also receive \$250 from a t-shirt sponsor, which would be subtracted from the above amounts for the City total. Motion seconded by Mark Friesen and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

PUBLIC SAFETY GENERATOR REPLACEMENT – This item is removed and will be placed on a future meeting agenda.

EMS HONORARIUM POLICY - The policy is being amended to reflect a change from 2-12 shifts per day, to 3-8 hour shifts per day. Another change is the number of staff per ambulance. The policy currently states no more than 4 EMS Staff members per shift. The proposed policy changes it to 2 EMS Staff members per shift, plus there can be an additional probationary EMS Staff member. The last change is regarding Sunday shift coverage. The current policy gives a bonus point for any shift covered on a Sunday. The proposed policy only gives a bonus point for covering the 6:00 a.m. shift on Sunday. Betty Nelson moved to adopt the revised EMS Honorarium Policy. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed.

CITY INSURANCE QUOTE - The insurance package for the City of Lindsborg, except for worker's compensation insurance, runs from April 1 to March 31. The City brokers insurance services so that we are not tied to a specific agent. The current insurance broker is Fuqua-Ruth-Typer Insurance. Not reflected in the proposal is the \$12,000 agency service fee. Fuqua-Ruth-Typer Insurance chose to clearly indicate what their revenue on the insurance package would be—agreeing to hold the fee for a three-year period. Most other insurance agencies have their fees in the premiums and base them upon a percentage of the premiums. Emile Gallant moved to approve the quote from EMC Insurance/Fuqua-Ruth-Typer in the amount of \$74,368.34 plus the \$12,000.00 agency service fee. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

POOL WATER PUMP – Kelley Menke moved to approve the purchase of a water pump for the pool from Johnson Electric Motor in the amount of \$8,852.00. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT FIREARMS – Emile Gallant moved to approve \$1,880.00 to complete the purchase of the department firearms from GT Distributors. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

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Executive Session - none

Department Head Reports – ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE – City Administrator Greg DuMars gave a recap on the progress of the 2016 Audit and unencumbered cash balances.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Community Development Director, Gary Shogren, reported that there will be a rezoning request on an upcoming council agenda, there is only plot left in the community garden space and the dog park will remain in the 2018 budget.

RECREATION – Recreation Director, Kate Elliott, reported on the progress with the technology at the golf course using Active Gen and getting summer staffing up to speed.

Other – Police Chief Berggren was asked to check out a residence at 1st and McPherson for possible nuisance violations.

Adjournment – Rick Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lovett-Sperling, MMC

City Clerk