

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

September 5, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Members Present – Betty Nelson, Kathy Richardson, Rick Martin, Mark Friesen, Ed Radatz, Corey Peterson & Bill Taylor

Absent – David Higbee & Blaine Heble

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

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

Public Input – none

Amendments to the Agenda – Item 10c – Personnel Policy is removed from the agenda.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Taylor asks Lindsborg citizens to keep the victims of Hurricane Harvey in their thoughts and prayers. Asked for recommendations for the NAB Observer.

Consent Agenda – Rick Martin moved to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2017 regular council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5067 and Purchase Order Ordinance 5068. Motion seconded by Kathy Richardson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Appointments – none

Planning & Zoning – none

Old Business – none

New Business –SERVICE LINE WARRANTY PROGRAM - The City of Lindsborg endorsed the Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA) program in 2012. This program was offered in partnership with the

National League of Cities. Under this program, repair coverage for private water lines and sewer lines is provided to the property owner. It has been brought to the City attention that currently there are no local plumbers who contract with SLWA. This is due to extended time it takes for the contractor to get paid for the work. Often more than 90 days. Rick Martin moved to discontinue the City's endorsement of the Service Line Warranties of America program and prohibit the use of the City of Lindsborg's logo and endorsement letter in the company's marketing efforts. Motion seconded by Ed Radatz and passed.

BETHANY HOME ASSOCIATION INSTALLMENT CONTRACT - The City of Lindsborg and Bethany Home Association (BHA) have been negotiating the City selling Sunflower

Meadows to BHA. The agreement has been approved the BHA Board of Directors. There is one item in the Installment Contract that could potentially cost the City more than the revenue from the sale of the property. Revising language has been discussed with BHA administration and a copy forwarded for review and consideration. Betty Nelson moved to approve the contract with Bethany Home as presented. Motion seconded by Corey Peterson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

WATERLINE PIPE TESTING PROPOSAL - As discussed at the last City Council meeting, a reoccurring issue with water line breaks between well # 9 and the country water tower have warranted a thorough investigation into the cause. Information for PSI Labs in Longmont Co was presented. PSI Labs is one of the few labs in the country that can do this type of Failure Analysis of PVC pipe. There is the need to find the root cause of why this keeps reoccurring to know if the breaks are due to a material defect, a problem from the installation of the pipe or if it is an operational problem. The results of these findings will provide a better understanding of which direction to plan. The plan could range from a simple and inexpensive operational change to a complete and very costly replacement of the waterline. Betty Nelson moved to approve for PSI Labs to run a Failure Analysis of the water pipe at a cost not to exceed \$4,000. Motion seconded by Ed Radatz and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 5069 – PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR EMS BUILDING - The long-term financing of the new EMS Building is to be financed via a 30-year bond that is purchased by USDA Rural Development. The amount to be financed is \$650,000 at an interest rate of 3.25%. The bond ordinance authorizes the issuance of the bond. Kathy Richardson moved to adopt Ordinance 5069. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 06-17 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR EMS BUILDING. - The long-term financing of the new EMS Building is to be financed via a 30-year bond that is purchased by USDA Rural Development. The amount to be financed is \$650,000 at an interest rate of 3.25%. The resolution prescribes the form and details of and authorizes and directs the sale and delivery of general obligation bonds for the construction of the EMS Building. Rick Martin moved to adopt Resolution 06-17 which prescribes the form and details of and authorizes and directs the sale and delivery of general obligation bonds for the construction of the EMS Building. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 5070 – PROTECTION OF LAND RESOURCES AND MITIGATION MEASURES - This ordinance states that the City of Lindsborg will comply with construction stormwater runoff, State Historic Preservation Office regulations and all local zoning codes, plus a building permit will be secured for the construction of the EMS Building. This is a compliance requirement of USDA Rural Development. The City of Lindsborg has complied with all the requirements of this ordinance. The ordinance will certify to that fact. Rick Martin moved to adopt Ordinance 5070. Motion seconded by Kathy Richardson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Executive session – none

Department Head Reports – PUBLIC WORKS – Chris Lindholm updated council on the in-town water tower: Verizon equipment is back on the tower with new wiring and fewer turkey buzzards. Also, has looked at some new possibilities for street maintenance that may give us more years of use before the need to resurface.

CVB/SUNDSTROM- Holly Lofton informed council that the JOS is currently 4 events away from the total event number for 2016. Amy and Elizabeth are working together to make sure all times are covered at the JOS and are doing additional training. Tricia Clark has resigned from the CVB office and has taken a position with Bethany College

PUBLIC SAFETY – Chief Berggren updated council on the proposed new radio system for McPherson County. The County Commissioners will take up the issue at their next meeting. It will either be a Motorola system or a Harris system. The plan is to have it up and running by December of 2018.

Other – Corey Peterson said he had been approached about moving the large St. Lucia that is currently on the northwest corner of Main and State.

Adjournment – Rick Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lovett-Sperling, MMC