

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

December 19, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

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

Absent – None

Others Present – Greg DuMars, Jerry Lovett-Sperling, Tim Berggren, Gary Shogren, Kate Elliott, Larry Lindgren, Dan Carr, Tim Dunn, Amy Habiger, Martha Danielson, Chris Lindholm, Bill Gusenius, Holly Lofton, Larry Lindgren, Isaac Peterson, Kade Blanchat, Caleb Gustus, Samuel Peterson, Joshua Peterson, Stephen Peterson, A J Smith, Aidan Evert, Jacob Reed, Chance Kruckenberg, Ethan Able, Andrew Smith, Haven Lysell, Alex Grosland, Braxton Huse, Jacob Reed, Tristan Stambaugh, Margo Lysell, Steve Reed

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

Public Input –

Amendments to the Agenda – None

Mayor's Report –

Mayor Taylor announced the “Light Up the Holidays” Christmas Lighting Contest. 1st Place, winning \$300 in Lindsborg Loot is 317 N 1st; 2nd place, winning \$150 in Lindsborg Loot is 955 N Main; and 3rd place – 705 N 2nd wins \$50 in Lindsborg Loot.

Please be mindful to help keep your pets warm during bitter cold weather conditions. Remember to recycle as much as possible to help our landfill last longer.

Consent Agenda – Betty Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2016 regular council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5022 and Purchase Order Ordinance 5023. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Appointments – None

Planning & Zoning – no report

Old Business – None

New Business – RESOLUTION 15-16 - 410 E OLSSON ABATEMENT – Betty Nelson moved to adopt Resolution 15-16 addressing nuisance abatement at 410 E Olsson. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

FIRE DEPARTMENT SCBA – Emile Gallant moved to bid from Air and Fire Systems for 10 new bottles at a cost of \$6710.00 each. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

ELECTRIC CRIMPING TOOL – This is the same type of tool that we purchased earlier in the year to replace a broken hand crimping tool. A crimping tool is used to make connections in electrical line work. A battery operated unit is vastly superior to the hand crimping tool in terms of speed, consistency, and safety. The reason a second tool is being requested is that the city has two bucket trucks that can be working on different projects simultaneously. So passing the battery powered crimping tool back and forth between vehicles is not practical or efficient. Blaine Heble moved to approve the purchase of a crimping tool from Kriz-Davis at a cost of \$1,753.25. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

SALES TAX TRANSFER – Betty Nelson moved to approve transfer the budgeted amount of \$50,000 local ½% sales tax to the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund and allow the allocation of local 1% sales tax funds sufficient to cover the 2016 Sundstrom

Conference Center operating shortfall. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE (CMB) LICENSES - Annually the local businesses who sell cereal malt beverages are required to renew their licenses. Those businesses are convenience stores Kaps and Casey's; and restaurants, Pizza Hut and the Brickhouse Grill. All applications have been received and background assessments have been completed and all are compliant with regulations. Rick Martin moved to approve the CMB licenses for KAPS, INC.; Casey's General Store; The Brickhouse Grill and P H NORTH, dba Pizza Hut. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed.

COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE - Annually City Council reviews a Cost of Living Allowance. Historically, the benchmark used has been the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Midwest Region. Through November 2016, the CPI is 1.2%. 1.0% is budgeted for a COLA increase. Rick Martin moved to approve a 1.0% COLA effective January 1, 2017. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed.

AMBULANCE SETTLEMENT – EMC Insurance has offered a settlement of \$22,850 less the deductible of \$500 for a total of \$22,350.00. Betty Nelson moved to accept the settlement as offered. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Executive Session – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL – Rick Martin moved to enter executive session including the City Administrator, City Attorney and the Chief of Police for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed. Council returned at 7:37 p.m. .

Department Head Reports – RECREATION – Kate Elliott gave an update on the status of the golf course.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Gary Shogren gave the year in review of housing in Lindsbog.

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE – Greg DuMars stated that the JOS revenue is up 23% over last year with expenditures the same as last year. He asked that council be thinking of possible infrastructure needs for the city that may help get federal funding to assist. The value engineering on the EMS building will be finished this week with a construction start in 2017. January 18 is KMU day in Topeka with January 25th as Local Government Day. Please let Jerry or Cassie know if you wish to attend. Also, hearty thanks to Kathy Peterson, Kate Elliott and Jerry Lovett-Sperling for stepping up to assist the front office while shorthanded in recent weeks.

Other – Kudos to the CVB for the beautiful design on the new visitors guides.

Merry Christmas to all!!

Adjournment – Rick Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lovett-Sperling, MMC

City Clerk