

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

October 19, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

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

Absent – Becky Anderson

Others Present – Greg DuMars, Jerry Lovett-Sperling, Tim Berggren, Larry Lindgren, Dan Carr, Kate Elliott, Gary Shogren, Tim Dunn, Bruce Buchannan, Jan Buchannan, Amy Habiger & Casey Law

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

Public Input – None

Amendment to the Agenda – Mayor Taylor added the appointment of Judy Murphy to fill a vacancy on the Library Board to the consent agenda.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Taylor thanked everyone who helped provide a great Hyllningsfest weekend. The weather cooperated and it was a great event for the community. He specifically thanked all city departments for their extra work pre, during and post festival. He read a card of thanks from the Ad Hoc business roundtable group.

Reminder was given to council of the LKM Regional Suppers coming up next week. Let Jerry know if you wish to attend.

Consent Agenda – Betty Nelson moved to approve the consent agenda that includes the minutes of the October 5, 2015 regular meeting, Purchase Order Ordinance 4947 and Payroll Ordinance 4946 and the appointment of Judy Murphy to the Library Board. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Planning & Zoning – No report but the joint meeting with council is October 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sundstrom Conference Center.

Old Business – Sundstrom Conference Center Stairwell Carpet – Betty Nelson moved to remove this item from the table. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed. After a review of the clarification on the bids, Betty Nelson moved to approve the bid from Sunflower Carpet and Tile in the amount of \$2,116.53. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed by roll call vote.

New Business – HEARING REQUEST – 240 COLE STREET - A notice of violations under the Environmental Code was sent to Roxbury Bank for the property located at 240 Cole Street, Lindsborg. Under the Environmental Code, the property owner is given 10 days to remediate the violations or request a hearing. On October 13, 2015, the City Clerk received a letter from the bank's legal counsel requesting a hearing. David Higbee moved to hold the hearing requested on November 2, 2015. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed.

ORDINANCE 4945 – KEEPING CHICKENS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS - At the last Council Meeting during public input two citizens requested a change that would allow chickens (egg laying hens) to be kept at a residence. The current Ordinance requires that all chickens in the City limits be at a distance of 200 feet from the nearest residence which eliminates the possibility to have chickens for most residents. At the request of City Council an Ordinance change was put together for consideration and discussion involving chickens (egg laying hens).

Betty Nelson moved to adopt Ordinance 4945. Motion seconded by David Higbee. After discussion by council for additional revisions, Emile moved to forward the item to the November 2, 2015 regular council meeting. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed.

NO PARKING – 600 BLOCK OF NORTH MAIN STREET - A request from the Police Department to look at permanent “NO PARKING” signs in the 600 block of North Main Street on the west side. Currently part of this block is posted through the area of the Water Tower. Due to traffic flow issues the Police Department wants to limit parking to the east side of the street through the entire block. In the City of Lindsborg Comprehensive Plan, Main Street is classified as a collector street. The Comprehensive Community Plan, City of Lindsborg, Kansas, states for collector streets, “The function of the collector street is to collect traffic from the local streets and distribute it to the arterial streets. Land access is a secondary function, parking should be controlled and design should emphasize traffic movement.

Emile Gallant moved to approve the permanent posting of “NO PARKING” signs for the entire west side of the 600 block of North Main Street. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed.

CREDIT CARD SCANNERS - Effective October 1, 2015, there was a change in credit card processing. The city must upgrade its equipment to be able to scan credit cards with the new EMV “chip” technology. Using the current equipment, if there is a fraudulent charge placed through the equipment, the liability rests on the city rather than the issuing bank. The company that the city uses to process credit/debit cards (ETS) and our current financial software company (Incode) recommends the ISC 250

credit/debit card terminal. The price of this scanner is \$649. There are two computers at the front counter that are used for financial transactions so will require two scanners. Betty Nelson moved to approve the purchase of two scanners from ETS at a cost of \$1,298.00. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES VOTING DELEGATE – David Higbee nominated Rick Martin as the voting delegate and was seconded by Blaine Heble and passed. Rick Martin nominated David Higbee and Becky Anderson as the first and second alternate voting delegates. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed.

Executive Session – none

Other – the parking signs on North 2nd Street are down.

Adjournment – Rick Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lovett-Sperling, MMC

City Clerk