

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

August 11, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Members Present –Betty Nelson, Rick Martin, W. R. Chestnut, David Higbee, Emile Gallant, Becky Anderson, Kelley Menke, Blaine Heble & Bill Taylor

Absent –

Others Present – Greg DuMars, Jerry Lovett-Sperling, Gary Shogren, Tim Berggren, Tim Dunn, Larry Lindgren, Holly Lofton, Kate Elliott, Dan Carr, Bernard Kinsey & Cody Whetstone

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

Public Input – Bernard Kinsey moved to Lindsborg in 2013 and asked about how the sewer charges are determined. The City Administrator explained the upgrades that were mandated for the WWTP, the debt involved and how sewer rates are calculated. Mr. Kinsey thanked council and expressed appreciation for staff for their ability to answer questions and their friendliness.

Amendments to the Agenda – There will be the addition of the Old Mill Bridge to Streets & Parks.

Minutes – Betty Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2014 regular council meeting. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed.

Mayor's Report – The K-4 project starts tomorrow (8/12/14) with an estimated completion in 70 days. Also, school starts this week, so be mindful of students going to and from school.

Mayor Taylor recommended the appointment of Matt Clark to EMS. Motion to approve by Betty Nelson with a second by Rick Martin and passed.

Mayor Taylor recommended the appointment of May Dreier to the Recreation Advisory Board. Motion to approve by Becky Anderson with a second by Betty Nelson and passed.

August meetings – committee meeting are next week

September council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 2nd.

Zoning Commission – no report

Administration & Finance – 2105 BUDGET – David Higbee moved to approve adoption of the 2015 Budget for the City of Lindsborg. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 4872 – VACANT PROPERTY REGISTRY – Becky Anderson moved to adopt Ordinance 4872 and the motion seconded by Blaine Heble. At the July committee meeting, staff presented a revised draft of the Vacant Building Registration Ordinance. The revisions included a reduction in the fees; the elimination of the progressive charge; changing of the original 45 day trigger to one year and also eliminating the calendar year period; allowance for appeals to City Council for such situations as probate, properties for sale or properties under construction; and the establishment of penalties for people who are non-compliant. There was continued discussion about the intent and enforceability of the ordinance. Rick Martin called the question and was seconded by W R Chestnut with the roll call vote of 5 yes votes and 3 no votes. The roll call vote on the original motion is as follows: yes votes by Blaine Heble, Rick Martin, W R Chestnut & Becky Anderson; no votes by Kelley Menke, Betty Nelson, David

Higbee & Emile Gallant. A tie vote requires the mayor to cast a vote. Mayor Taylor voted yes and the motion passed.

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM (NRP) for MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING – HARRISON/COLE – At the July committee meeting, committee members agreed the investment needs to be increased to \$100,000. Staff presented a timeline for a fast-track option in this process. The timeline for the fast track option would mean that the new plan would be approved by October 6, 2014 and would run for three years, expiring in 2017. Betty Nelson moved to approve the NRP as presented. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed.

CVB TRAVEL APPLICATIONS – Becky Anderson moved to approve \$1,500.00 for the initial fee for the development of a travel app in conjunction with Vision Tek. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

OFFICIAL CITY DEPOSITORIES – Becky Anderson moved to approve the following as official city depositories: Peoples Bank, Bank of Tescott, First Bank Kansas, Farmers State Bank and the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER – Becky Anderson moved to designate the Lindsborg News Record as the official city newspaper for legal publications. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed.

Utilities – LED STREET LIGHTING – HARRISON/COLE – David Higbee moved to approve the purchase of LED street lights from Kriz-Davis in the amount of \$12,603.40. Motion seconded by Emile Gallant and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

NORMAL STREET LIFT STATION STUDY – David Higbee moved to approve funds not to exceed \$3,081.00 for Wilson & Co to conduct a capacity analysis of the Normal Street Lift Station in anticipation of future development in the area served by that station. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Streets & Parks – RE-USE OF MCPHERSON STREET (K-4) MILLINGS – Rick Martin moved to approve the use of the McPherson Street Millings on east and west Union Street. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed.

MEADOWLARK TRAIL TRASHCAN AND SIGN – Rick Martin moved to approve funds from the Community Development Fund, not to exceed \$1,000.00 for the purchase of a trash receptacle and a placement sign for the Meadowlark Trail. Motion seconded by Kelley Menke and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

OTHER – The City received official notice from McPherson County that due to the results of the structural inspection on the Old Mill Bridge, it will be closed to vehicle traffic.

Public Safety – NO PARKING – WEST MADISON - Due to the narrowness of West Madison Street and this being a main thoroughfare for traffic to the middle and high schools, it was recommended that the city put up No Parking signs on the north side of

the street in the 100 and 200 blocks of West Madison Street. The 300 and 400 blocks currently have No Parking signs on the north side. Betty Nelson moved to approve placing No Parking signs in the 100 & 200 blocks of West Madison on the north side of the street. Motion seconded by Becky Anderson and passed.

Purchase Order – W R Chestnut moved to approve payment of Purchase Order Ordinance 4878. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Payroll – Betty Nelson moved to approve payment of Payroll Ordinances 4876 & 4877. Motion seconded by W R Chestnut and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Other – The City Administrator asked council members to stay after the meeting to sign the budget documents. W R Chestnut remarked that the new solar powered school crossing sign looks very good.

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