

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

April 1, 2013 – 6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Members Present – Ken Branch, Betty Nelson, W. R. Chestnut, David Higbee, Becky Anderson, Rick Martin, & Judy Neuschafer

Absent – Russ Hefner, Brad Howe

Others – Greg DuMars, Jerry Lovett-Sperling, Gary Shogren, Tim Berggren, Tim Dunn, Larry Lindgren, Holly Lofton, Andrew Tabor, Bill Gusenius, Dan Carr, Josh Nelson, Emil Gallant, Kelley Menke, Bill Taylor, Norman Dauer, Gene Bales, Larry Van Der Wege, Rebecca Van Der Wege, Morgen Van Der Wege, Chandra Cooper, Teresa Cooper, Jessica Van Ranken, Emma Anderson, Melinda Hansen, Jonathan Dahlsten, Marsha Howe, Austin Crawford, Signe Howe, CC Reed, Kaefre Wilson

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Invocation was given by Gene Bales of St. Bridget's Catholic Church.

Public Input – None

Amendments to the Agenda – There will be an additional proclamation during the Mayor’s report and a special event request during Streets & Parks. Becky Anderson moved to approve the amendments. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed.

Minutes – Becky Anderson moved to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2013 regular council meeting. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Neuschafer read proclamations for Lindsborg Swedish Dancer Month, Fair Housing Month and April 21st to 27th as Lindsborg Volunteer Week. Mayor Neuschafer announced that she has named Susan Achenbach and Corey Peterson as Co-Chairs of the Lindsborg 150th Anniversary Committee. She noted the meetings for April with special note of the upcoming Governing Body Institute that will be held in Topeka on May 10th & 11th and encourages all governing body members to attend. She also noted that the Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for the Thursday before Holy Week.

Planning & Zoning – ORDINANCE 4801 – REZONE 318 E. UNION – Becky Anderson moved to adopt Ordinance 4801 which rezones 318 E. Union to I-2 Heavy Industrial District. Motion seconded by Ken Branch and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 4802 – REZONE SUBSTATION ON E. UNION – Betty Nelson moved to adopt Ordinance 4802 which rezones the city electric substation on the corner of Union & S First Street to I-2 Heavy Industrial District. Motion seconded by Becky Anderson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Administration & Finance – INSURANCE RENEWAL – Becky Anderson moved to approve \$67,089 to Fee Insurance for the city general liability, property, auto, inland marine, law enforcement & linebacker coverage which is underwritten by EMC Insurance. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Note: the majority of the increase in premium is due to the expansion of the wastewater treatment facility and the “hard marker” resulting from the natural disasters across the country.

BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL – Becky Anderson moved to approve to enter a representation agreement with Eric Lomas from Klenda Austerman in the Hulse bankruptcy case not to exceed \$5,000. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed.

SUNDSTROM CHANGE ORDER – Becky Anderson moved to approve Change Request #9 – 1a – Revised “X” bracing for the Sundstrom Conference Center in the amount of \$18,285. Motion seconded by Rick Martin. After discussion by the members present the roll call vote results are as follows: Yes votes – Becky Anderson and Ken Branch. No votes – Rick Martin, David Higbee, W R Chestnut and Betty Nelson. Motion failed.

Utilities – ORDINANCE 4804 – WATER CONSERVATION – Becky Anderson moved to adopt Ordinance 4804 which adopts the provisions outlined in the Municipal Water Conservation Plan. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

KANSAS MUNICIPAL UTILITY VOTING DELEGATES – Becky Anderson moved to select City Administrator, Greg DuMars as the voting delegate and Public Works Director, Tim Dunn as the alternate voting delegate for Kansas Municipal Utilities. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed.

Streets & Parks – ADA POOL LIFT BIDS - Betty Nelson moved to approve \$3428 for the purchase of an aXs Aquatic Lift from United Industries. Motion seconded by W R Chestnut and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

SWENSSON PARK FLAGPOLE – Betty Nelson moved to approve the plan for a flagpole near the band shell in Swensson Park, allowing staff to determine the particulars. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed.

SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST – MIDSUMMERS COMMITTEE – The committee has requested the city to allow “free” swimming from 4 – 6 p.m. on the day of the festival. Betty Nelson moved to approve the request which was seconded by Becky Anderson. After discussion, with approval of the seconder, Betty Nelson withdrew her motion. Betty Nelson then moved to allow the entire day of the festival be a “free” swim day for patrons of the swimming pool. Motion was seconded by David Higbee and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Public Safety – ABATEMENT OF SHIPPING TRAILER – FYI the trailer has been removed, therefore, no action required.

Purchase Order – ORDINANCE 4803 – Betty Nelson moved to approve payment of Purchase Order Ordinance 4803. Motion seconded by W R Chestnut and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Payroll – ORDINANCES 4700 & 4800 – Rick Martin moved to approve payment of Payroll Ordinances 4799 & 4800. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Other – It was noted that the Kurtz v. Cox, the City of Lindsborg lawsuit has dismissed with prejudice the city and its employee from the suit. To clarify the rumor going around about food service at the Sundstrom Conference Center, the kitchen is a catering kitchen only and will not be set up to cook/prepare food. It was also noted that the Messiah Festival was well attended and thanks to all who aided in making sure it was a hassle free event.

Adjournment – Rick Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lovett-Sperling, MMC

City Clerk