

Lynnville City Council Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.

Lynnville City Hall

Mayor present: Roy James

Council Members present: Mark Newberg, Hugh Carney, Kevin Arment, Terry Fraker and Bev Van Maanen

Council Members Absent: None

Guests: Faye Brand, Alex Fennig, Mark Lagaveen and Nick Arthur

MEETING AGENDA: Motion made by Van Maanen to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Arment, all ayes motion carried.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: A motion was made by Newberg and seconded by Arment to approve the November 2020 meeting minutes.

OLD BUSINESS: Alex Fennig of Garden and Associates was present to update the council on additional sewer work that could be done to aid in additional relief to the existing lines. Backup still happens when heavy rain happens over a period of several days. This work was not part of the sewer lining project estimate. Fenning stated that to replace an inlet structure pipe from an 8 in to a 12 inch pipe would cost an estimated \$161500.00. This would be about a 1000 ft long pipe repair. There was also discussion that DNR may advise that the city needs to go to a 3 cell lagoon. Since the issue is only present with large rainfall, council decided to take no action at the present time and to discuss options with Jack Pope of Garden and Associates. Fenning stated that he wants to hold off closing the existing sewer project until spring as more seeding will need to be done in some areas.

NEW BUSINESS:

LIBRARY REPORT: Mark Lagaveen updated the council with the 4th qtr Library report. Library reopened Sept 24 to the public with masks required, 1 family member only and only 3 patrons @ at time. The Friends will replace all the light bulbs, a new computer was purchased with a memorial from Wanda Dunsbergen and the Friends will possible purchase a new dehumidifier for the library. Lagaveen also stated that county funding will be reduced over the next couple of years and would like the city to consider giving the library another \$1000 towards the 21-22 budget. Library meeting will be November 23 and Lagaveen encouraged council members to attend.

SEWER RATES: Rates were reviewed in accordance to the suggestions from Travis Squires. The rate schedule suggestion he had to cover the sewer project was to increase rates for fiscal year 2020 to \$26.50 and then to 33.00 in fiscal year 2021. Arment made motion to increase sewer rate to \$27.00 starting January 1, 2021 and then change again each fiscal year thereafter, seconded by Carney, all ayes, Motion Carried. Council decided on the increase to help cover the sewer project costs, rather than raising taxes, and to have reserve on hand for any future projects.

BUILDING PERMIT: Newberg made motion to approve a new house building permit submitted by Matt Hellberg, seconded by Van Maanen, all ayes.

SNOW ORDINANCE: Council would like to remind that the snow ordinance is in effect from November 1 until April, which means no parking on the city streets during evening and overnight hours.

RESOLUTION 110920: Newberg made motion to approve the Fiscal Year End Report 2020, seconded by Fraker, all ayes, Motion Carried.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: November 9 was Nick Arthur's 1st day as City Maintenance person. Dale Schnell will be available to help him with any questions that he might have. Council would like to Thank Dale Schnell for stepping in to help over the past couple of months and Thank you to Josh DeWitt for his willingness to help out and in answering questions that Mayor James had.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

MONTHLY CITY AND PAYROLL CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Arment and seconded by Van Maanen, to pay the following claims. All ayes, Motion carried.

Payroll	Wages	5409.88
Alliant	Electric	654.47
Blake Rozendaal	Web Site	25.00
C&T Mowing	Services	440.00
Dale Schnell	Services	320.00
Commercial Card Services	Services	400.65
Hach Company	Supplies	\$471.95
Hometown Press	Publishing	226.43
Iowa Reg. Utilities Assc.	Services	3262.16
IRS	October Wages	1088.22
IPERS	October Wages	772.33
J & B Auto	Services	810.40
Keystone Laboratories, Inc	Services	50.50
LeAnn Jansen	Supplies	80.78
Lynnville Telephone Co.	Telecomm Charges	155.31
Midwest Sanitation and Recycling	Services	3217.00
Professional Operations Mgmt	Services	1040.00
SRF	Loan Payment	4522.24
Sully Plumbing & Heating	Supplies	\$48.41
Vanderbeek Truck Accessories	Services	\$250.00
Zip In	Supplies	101.97

Receipts –October 2020	
General Fund	37185.99
Hotel/Motel Tax	0.00
LOST	3111.87

Library 13000.00
Road Use 2330.91
Water Utility 5314.70
Sewer Utility 3319.80
Garbage Utility 3181.98

Van Maanen made motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m., seconded by Fraker, all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor, Roy James

Attested by City Clerk, Bev Arthur