

# Lynnville City Council Meeting Minutes

## July 12, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

### Lynnville City Hall

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Mayor present: Roy James

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

Council Members Absent: none

Guests: Faye Brand, Nick Arthur, Jeff and Jody Arment, Gene Braaksma

**MEETING AGENDA:** Agenda was amended by adding Jeff Arment. Newberg made motion to approve the amended meeting agenda, seconded by Van Maanen, All ayes, Motion carried.

**MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:** A motion was made by Arment and seconded by Fraker to approve the June 2021, meeting minutes. All ayes, Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Clerk stated that water meters have arrived. Installation will take place in around 6 weeks once the software is installed and synced with Clerkbooks. A letter will be sent to those residents that will be receiving new meters asking them to specify a time that will work to have them installed. Three different times will be available. Please return the letters as soon as possible to get the times scheduled. Times will be 8 am, 12 am or 2 pm. A new computer has also been ordered from Sully Telephone Co.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Due to the absence of Lynnville Days, Jeff & Jody Arment requested council permission to hold a street dance and have part of the streets blocked off by their business. Arment stated he will contact the neighboring residents for permission as well. Newberg made a motion to allow the dance if everyone in the neighborhood were in favor of it, seconded by Van Maanen, all ayes, motion carried.

Van Maanen voiced a resident's concern about tree limbs hanging over Cross Street and whose responsibility they are to have trimmed. Concerned for something of height if it were driving down the road, the limbs are very low. Mayor and N. Arthur will look into it. Question of if golf carts were legal on the streets was also voiced by Van Maanen. Since Jasper County passed the usage of side by sides, Council questioned if golf carts were under the same umbrella and as long as they were obeying the law. Council will research and see if an ordinance is needed.

The Library Grant has been approved and they are moving forward with their purchases. Council okayed the purchases to be made with a different City credit card due to the limit on the Library's credit card is not high enough.

City Election will be coming up. Mayor seat and 3 Council seats will need to be filled. Clerk also asked if council would consider changing how the Local Option Sales Tax money could be allocated. As of now, it is used for 50% property tax relief and 50% Community Betterment. Would the council want to change the Community Betterment to 50% Water and or Sewer Fund

which would help pay for the sewer project and keep the rates for sewer from going up again. Newberg made motion to change the Community Betterment to Water and or Sewer, to help keep sewer rates down, seconded by Van Maanen, 4 ayes, Fraker no. Motion Carried.

Clerk stated that the she has applied for the American Rescue Plan Funds. How it will be used will be determined at a later date when more information is available.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT:** Maintenance Arthur stated that there have been vandalism incidents at the ball park and at Old Setts. Newberg made motion to purchase surveillance equipment for both the Park and Old Setts, seconded by Arment, All ayes, Motion Carried. Arthur also stated that he is getting a quote from Garden and Associates for a GIS system to map all of the city’s water and sewer lines as well as curb stops and fire hydrants.

Vehicles being driven through the park was discussed, it was stated that the owner has been notified and will speak to the appropriate parties involved. Lawn mowing was also discussed, if the grass/weeds are over 12 inches high, the city will remove them and bill the owner.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Gene Braaksma brought in motorcycle awareness signs to be put around the city or for anyone who would like one in their yard

**MONTHLY CITY AND PAYROLL CLAIMS :**

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

Payroll	Wages	7461.75
Alliant	Electric and Gas	1229.44
Blake Rozendaal	Web Site	25.00
C&T Mowing	Services	880.00
Commercial Card Services	Services	1220.31
Hometown Press	Publishing	127.32
Ia DNR	Permit Fee	43.19
Iowa Reg. Utilities Assc.	Services	2783.62
Iowa Dept of Rev	2021 2Q Ia Sales Tax	989.58
Iowa Dept of Rev	2021 Q2 Payroll Tax	685.00
IPERS	June Wages	1095.08
IRS	June Wages	1760.65
John Deere Financial	Supplies	624.08
Keystone	Services	12.50
Key Coop	Supplies	19.96
Kruseman Fertilizer Co	Supplies	90.00
Kruseman Implement Inc	Supplies	110.00
Lynnville Fire Dept	Levy	1500.00
Lynnville Telephone Co.	Telecomm Charges	148.07
Metering & Technology Solutions	Water Meters	21556.84
Midwest Sanitation and Recycling	Services	3162.00
Professional Op. Mgmt:Rhonda Guy	Services	1040.00
Region 6 Resource Partners	Admin Fee	5791.00
Shaun Needham	Services	60.00

Sully Telephone Co	Services	2641.00
Terpstra Plmb & Heating, Inc	Services	825.14
Sully Plumbing & Heating	Supplies	73.29
US Post Office	Box Rent	66.00
USA Blue Book	Supplies	550.62
Zip In	Supplies	256.44

Receipts – June 2021

General Fund	9871.01
LOST	3126.15
Library	5480.00
Road Use	3503.87
Water Utility	5338.49
Sewer Utility	4536.00
Garbage Utility	3264.00

Van Maanen made motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m., seconded by Fraker, all ayes, Motion Carried.

Approved/Date \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Approved/Date \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk