

Lynnville City Council Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.

Lynnville City Hall

Mayor James: present

Council Members present: Kevin Arment, Mark Newberg, & Bev Van Maanen

Council Members Absent: Mark Lageveen & Terry Fraker

Guests: Justin Flanders, Brenda Denmark, Bailey Tompkins , Brett Renaud, Elizabeth Hoksbergen & Faye Brand

MEETING AGENDA: Agenda was amended to add dust control by Weldworks and JD Dehoedt's businesses, FCC driveway/ditch and parked cars. Van Maanen made motion to approved amended agenda, seconded by Newberg. All ayes, motion carried.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: A motion was made by Newberg and seconded by Van Maanen to approve the July 23 meeting minutes. All ayes, Motion carried.

New Business Diamond Trail Daycare was moved between Payroll Claims and Old Business.

Diamond Trail Daycare: Brenda Denmark reported that DHS is requiring children to be separated by ages 2 to 3 and 4 to 5. Currently these ages are all in one group. This is the first phase of the changes. Denmark stated that this change can be made to work until after Christmas. The daycare wants to move into the medical center part of the building but it will require work and money to do so. The daycare recently found that they did not qualify for a \$300,000.00 grant that would help cover the necessary changes. The second phase of their project is to expand the infant room. Denmark asked what the city would require for daycare to move forward. Council stated they would need to have all changes inspected by the county. Denmark stated that their bills have increased by \$8000 due to higher electric bills, water and garbage rates which had previously been incurred by the hospital when they owned the building. They would like to add insulation in the building to help with the electric bill. New electric estimate is \$60,000 and they do not have the funds for that much. Council stated they should look into several of the grants that would be available such as Pella Corp etc...

OLD BUSINESS: Hilltop Street Update: owner of Diamond Trail Feed Store stated that he would sign an agreement, but stated with the economy the way it is, he would not agree to a certain timeframe to have a retail building built. States that his intent is to do that but not for awhile. He will have everything reviewed by his lawyer and want to exchange the street for the property. Councilman Newberg stated it would be in the city's best interest to take control of the street and only makes sense to talk to a title company regarding a title opinion. Clerk will contact a title company.

OLD SETT'S PICNIC TABLES: Prices were reviewed regarding fold up tables and chairs. Discussion ensued of would the tables and chairs start disappearing since there is no place to

lock them up. Suggestion of fold up picnic tables was discussed. N. Arthur will look into pricing of these at Menards.

CITY TRUCK: Karl's Chevrolet is currently offering a state bid for a new Silverado truck with an 8ft bed for \$45036.40 Offer is over at the end of next week. Trade in value of current truck could be around \$10,000 or more if sold privately. Cost for electrical work for blade and sander prep included would be \$50,000.00. Arment made motion to table this item until all council members were present, seconded by Van Maanen. All ayes, motion carried.

CITY PARK: Several councilmen viewed the issue of water going under the road by the park. Newberg made motion to have Cory Van Zante dig it out and fill it back in with dirt, seconded by Arment. All ayes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

ELECTION: Clerk stated that there are 3 open seats for the upcoming election: Mayor and 2 council seats. Mayor James and council Arment and Newberg's seats will be open. Nomination papers can be picked up in August and must be returned to the clerk to file them to the county auditor by Sept. 22nd. To date, 2 people have requested paperwork.

COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT: Item skipped due to Lageveen's absence.

BUILDING PERMIT: Arment made motion to approve Spencer Mauss's building permit of a shop on his property, seconded by Van Maanen. All ayes, Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 81423: APPROVING URBAN RENEWAL REPORT: Newberg made motion to approve the Urban Renewal Report as written, seconded by Van Maanen. All ayes, motion carried.

MIDWEST GARBAGE INCREASE: Newberg made motion to increase the rate by 3% due to Midwest's increase, seconded by Arment. All ayes, Motion Carried. The increase will be effective beginning with the September 2023 billing.

DUST CONTROL: JD Dehoedt requested dust control for approximately 600ft of the gravel road in front of his business and Weldworks. Van Maanen made motion to deny the city paying for dust control, seconded by Arment. All ayes, motion carried.

FCC DRIVEWAY: Discussion of how to handle the water not draining properly. The water goes over rather than into the storm sewer. Do the ditches need dug out? Regrade the ditches? Lower the grate? Council stated to check with Van Zante Construction for ideas and possible bids. Along the same lines as with the Park, maybe tile it? Get ideas and bids.

PARKED CARS: Each incident will be addressed as they come up. Move the vehicle or you will be charged. Mayor James stated he will first talk to the home owner to see if they will comply with moving the vehicles.

MAINTENACE: N. Arthur stated that the Day Care roof is leaking. Lewis from Key Coop and Arthur found that the metal flashing is pulled up which is pulling the tarp up. Newberg made

motion to hire either Dehoedt's lift or Dehoedt's to help with the repairs at \$50 per hour, seconded by Arment, all ayes, motion carried. Arthur also stated that the wood around the air condition is all rotted and could be cause for some of the leaking as well. Old Setts bathroom roof fiberglass vents have been broken by tree limbs. Would council prefer them fixed with fiberglass again or replace them with steel to prevent this from happening again. Council stated to replace with steel. The Gazebo roof by the park needs to be replaced. Estimate of around 8 bundles of shingles is needed. Council stated to repair the roof.

PUBLIC INPUT: J Flanders spoke on behalf of his father who could not be at the meeting. Stated there are 3 trees in the alley beside his home that need to be cut down. One is leaning into the DeVries property and would like it removed before it causes more damage from falling. Flanders stated they just want help in cutting them down. He said cutting them up and removing the wood is a chore him and his brother would be willing to do, just need help getting them down. Council stated they would look at trees and would determine if a tree removal service would be needed.

MONTHLY CITY AND PAYROLL CLAIMS: Motion was made by Arment and seconded by Newberg to pay the following claims. Motion carried.

Payroll	Wages	8471.00
Alliant	Electric and Gas	1784.90
Blake Rozendaal	Web Site	25.00
Commercial Card Services	Services	899.12
ClerkBooks	Software renewal	200.00
Hometown Press	Publishing	106.08
Ia. Dept of Revenue	Excise Water Tax	325.49
IDNR	NPDES & Operation Permit	210.00
Iowa One Call	Service locates	7.20
IPERS	Wages	1253.84
IRS	Wages	2126.06
Jamie Hofer	Contract Labor	500.00
Jasper Co. Sheriff	23-24 fees	3000.00
John Deere Financial	Supplies	304.18
Jasper Co Treasurer	taxes	3246.00
Key Coop	Supplies	448.46
Keystone/Microbac Lab	Services	265.17
Killduff Supply Co	Services	101.20
Lynnville Telephone Co.	Telecomm Charges	142.94
Midwest Sanitation and Recycling	Services	3396.85
Scott Nikkel Trucking	Services	76.91
Sully Construction	Services	360.00
Pat Norman	Contract Labor	58.00
Sully Plumbing & Heating	Supplies	18.54
Terpstra Plumbing, Htg & Elec	Services	286.47
Weldworks	Services	358.21
Zip In	Services	665.22
Martin Marietta	Supplies	323.86

Pour Boy Construction Services 1456.00

Receipts – July 2023

General Fund 2091.01
Hotel/Motel 0.00
Garbage 3496.35
Library 0.00
LOST 3306.41
Road Use 3044.87
Water 5705.87
Sewer Utility 4482.00

Newberg made motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m., seconded by Van Maanen , all ayes,
Motion Carried.

Approved/Date _____ Mayor

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