

Minutes – Lynd City Council Meeting January 16, 2024

Mayor Justin Guggisberg called the regular meeting of the Lynd City Council to order at 6:00 P.M. Justin Guggisberg, Don Williams, David Reaves, Jerry Sodemann, Josh Bruley present.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes

December 19, 2023 Council Minutes – Jerry made a motion to approve the minutes, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Approval of the Agenda

Additions to agenda – Additions – Josh added Kindler Cir, Dillon added water break to Public Works, Sue added County ARPA Funds, in New Business Community Center Rental Agreement added. Josh made a motion to approve the agenda, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Open Forum

Council Member Input

Mayor Justin Guggisberg – Robert’s Rules Short Guide. Discussion.

Councilman David Reaves –

Councilman Jerry Sodemann -

Councilman Don Williams –

Councilman Josh Bruley – Kindler Cir ice build up in spots going towards 235th St. Discussion.

Fire Report

Fire Chief, Dillon Schultz – Two 1st Responder calls. Alex Air came on Jan 19th installed air compressor, fill station, cascade tanks. Brought our SCBA masks and tanks. All on FEMA Grant. Ran through the equipment with the department. Were able to put them on and work with them a bit. Waiting on turn out gear yet also part of FEMA Grant, possibly be here middle of February. Would like to get more practice with new equipment before we put in service. Working on 2025 Fire Dept Budget.

Don made a motion to approve the Fire Department report, Jerry seconded and all voted in favor.

Law Enforcement Report

Sheriff Eric Wallin – Provided contract hours report, December incident analysis report, 2022 and 2023 annual incident analysis report. Jerry made a motion to approve the sheriff’s report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Public Works Report

Dillon reported:

Generator/siren update – siren is up, haven’t heard from Cummins on initial startup. Monte’s Electric will set up with Cummins.

Trees behind school – D&G wanted trees on access road behind school trimmed, they were beating up there payloader when doing snow removal. Dillon contacted Billy Boe to help trim the trees back and trim trees at playground. D&G said if they aren’t moved, they won’t take the payloader back there.

Water Break – service line break at 114 N Redwood St. Leak was located in crawl space of house. Resident contacted Dillon to shut water off. Resident repaired pipe. About 24,000 gallons of water went thru before it was turned off.

Discussion on billing resident for the water. Jerry made a motion to bill resident for 15,000 gallons of water, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

David made a motion to approve the public works report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Accounts Payable

Sue presented the January 2024 Accounts Payable. Sue mentioned following bills: Alex Air Apparatus \$182,365.98 paid from FEMA Grant fire dept received, Bolton & Menk \$1496.00 paid from LMC Grant Navigator funds, Shelby Eischens \$100.00 reimbursement for hall rent, Oberloh & Oberloh \$60.00 prepare 2023 1099’s.

Jerry made a motion to approve the bills, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Financial Report

Sue presented the financial reports for December 2023. David made a motion to approve the monthly reports, Josh seconded and all voted in favor.

City Clerk's Report

Sue reported:

1. Water Loss Ratio for December 2023 was 10%. City billed residents for 506,145 gallons. LPRW billed city for 564,000 gallons.
2. City received 2nd half 2023 LGA \$44,671.50 to General Fund, Public Safety Aid \$18,904.00 to Grants & Aids Fund.
3. County ARPA Funds – Sue went over the city's three projects done with the \$200,000.00 Lyon County ARPA Funds-Fire Depts Project, Community Center Project, Generator Project. Payments we have received and what is remaining from Lyon County ARPA.

Jerry made a motion to approve the clerk's report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Legal Issues

Ordinance Review Chapter 9 – Discussion on Chapter 9. Council had no concerns. Josh brought Chapter 10 for council to review before February meeting. Jerry made a motion to approve the legal report, David seconded and all voted in favor.

Old Business

Safe Routes to School Boost Grant Update – no changes since last month.

New Business

Southwest Sanitation letter pertaining to possibly increasing garbage rates due to Lyon County increase of landfill charges. Sue talked to Southwest Sanitation they will not increase rates without meeting with city council first.

Mutual Aid Agreement between Lynd and Russell – Russell Clerk contacted Sue for a copy of the agreement. Agreement was signed by Russell Mayor and Lynd Mayor on January 19, 2021. Russell council asked if Lynd Council wanted to re-evaluate the agreement. Council stated agreement was good. Sue will let Russell clerk know.

2024 City Fees and Utility Rates – Review fees and rates for possible increase in water and sewer rates when Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water increases their rates July 1, 2024. Think about building permit fee.

Review 2024 Budgets – Council needs to review and approve these budgets. Capital Equipment Fire, Capital Equipment Streets, Historic Site, Fire Dept, EDA Townhomes, Water, Sewer, Garbage, Utility Surcharge.

Committee Reports – No reports.

Adjourn

David made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Mayor Justin Guggisberg

Clerk/Treasurer Sue Paradis