

Minutes – Lynd City Council Meeting December 19, 2023

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

November 21, 2023 Council Minutes – Don made a motion to approve the minutes, Josh seconded and all voted in favor.

Approval of the Agenda

Additions to agenda – Additions – Sue added b. Diane Boe in Open Public Forum, Dillon added 3. Cell Phone in Public Works, Sue added 4. 2nd ½ Property Taxes in City Clerks report. David made a motion to approve the agenda, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Open Forum

Larvita McFarquhar liquor license – Avianna McFarquhar appeared for the Havens Gardens to ask if liquor license fee could be waived or pro-rated. City liquor license runs from November 1st to October 31st each year. Discussion on pro-rating liquor license. David made a motion to approve pro-rating the liquor license for Havens Gardens, Josh seconded and all voted in favor.

Diane Boe – appeared to ask why no parking snow removal signs were no longer up. Discussion.

Council Member Input

Mayor Justin Guggisberg – Discussion on Dillon using city equipment to clean his driveway before going out to clean city streets. Council approved Dillon to use city equipment before doing city snow removal.

Councilman Josh Bruley – adding street lights to Savannah Heights Blvd loop. Discussion. Dillon will get quote from Monte's Electric. Will discuss at budget time in June.

Councilman David Reaves – why doesn't the city have any Christmas lights in town? Sue stated she gets a brochure several times during the year. Next brochure Sue gets will bring to council meeting.

Fire Report

Fire Chief, Dillon Schultz – One 1st Responder call. Received call from Alex Air the masks, SCBA's tanks and compressor are in. Next drill in January everybody will be fit with masks and shown how to use them.

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

Law Enforcement Report

Sheriff Eric Wallin – Provided November incident analysis report. Quiet month. Don made a motion to approve the sheriff's report, David seconded and all voted in favor.

Public Works Report

Dillon reported:

Electric Pump repaired Affinity Hills lift station pump. Monte's Electric got generator set at Affinity Hills lift station and wired. Waiting for Cummins to come do the initial start on it. Lincoln-Pipestone Electric will be setting pole for siren. Waiting for company out of Willmar to reprogram the boxes still programed for Minneota. Little red pickup check engine light came on. Had Oreilly's put on their scanner. They said it was either an O2 sensor or injectors. They reset it and hasn't come back on since. Got city cell phone switched over to Verizon, different phone than original stated cost was \$200 less. Josh made a motion to approve the public works report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Accounts Payable

Sue presented the December 2023 Accounts Payable. Sue mentioned following bills: Bolton & Menk \$3501.00 from \$5000.00 LMC Grant Navigator Funds, Runnings \$108.84 treat bags for Lynd School Christmas Program reimbursed from Lynd Fire Dept Relief Association, The Bike Shop \$804.54 reimbursed from Safe Routes to School Boost Grant.

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

Financial Report

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

City Clerk's Report

Sue reported:

1. Water Loss Ratio for November 2023 was 7%. City billed residents for 569,132 gallons. LPRW billed city for 610,000,000 gallons.
2. Woodstock Communications January 1, 2024 rate increase - \$5 increase to each broadband package.
3. LMC Property/Casualty Dividend – City received dividend for \$267.00.
4. 2nd half 2023 Property Taxes – received payment from Lyon County for property taxes in amount of \$70,896.75. \$56,321.59 went into General Fund, \$13,983.99 went into Permanent Improvement Fund and \$591.17 sent into Water Fund for a special assessment.

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

Legal Issues

Ordinance Review Chapter 8 – Discussion on Chapter 8. Josh brought Chapter 9 for council to review before January meeting. Josh made a motion to approve the legal report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Old Business

Safe Routes to School Boost Grant Update – Received reimbursement of \$3212.33 for bike racks ordered from ULine, and reimbursement of \$804.54 for one bike and helmet purchased at The Bike Shop. City is required to submit reports before the 15th of each month.

New Business

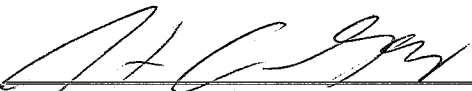
Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water is increasing rates by \$.25 effective July 1, 2024. City will need to review water rates again.

Review 2024 Budgets for approval at January 2024 meeting – 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