Minutes – Lynd City Council Meeting June 21, 2022

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

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes

May 17, 2022 Council Minutes – David made a motion to approve the minutes, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Approval of the Agenda

Sue stated addition to agenda, Todd Leach building permit in New Business. David made a motion to approve the agenda, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Open Forum

Fire Report

Fire Chief, Dillon Schultz – Six 1st Responder calls and two fire calls. Lyon County approved to give Lynd Fire Department \$53,388.26 for repairs needed on equipment. New tires on pumper and tanker. Tanker going to Lino Lakes end of August, gone about 6 – 8 weeks. Burger Burn is Monday, July 25th. Ottina Pfannscmidt would like to join fire department. Diane made a motion to approve Ottina on the fire department, Don seconded, David voted in favor, Justin abstained. Diane made a motion to accept the fire department report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Law Enforcement Report

Sheriff Eric Wallen gave incident analysis report for May 2022. Quiet month. David made a motion to approve the law enforcement report. Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Public Works Report

Dillon reported:

Received quote of \$32,342.40 from Bertram Asphalt for crack sealing, spray patching and chip sealing River Street. Work would be done when they do Cottonwood so lower cost. Diane made a motion to approve the quote from Bertram Asphalt for River Street, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Balaton Salvage has a white box for \$500 to replace the box on red pickup. They recommend spray in bed liner cost of \$650. Checked with Abra Auto Body in Marshall on paint job, cost between \$2000 - \$3000. Justin made a motion to approve purchasing the box and installing spray in liner total cost of \$1150, David seconded and all voted in favor. Dillon will look into other options for painting.

Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water determined there isn't a problem with the meter at the water tower. We have a planned water shut down schedule that will start July 5th, July 6th and July 7th from midnight to 3 am to see if can figure out where any leaks could be. Checked fire hydrant in corn field, line is dry.

Summer maintenance position – Shelby Korman turned job down. Job was offered to Isaac Simon, he accepted. Isaac started this week.

Discussion on grass clippings in street. Council directed Sue to mail letter to all residents, will go out with utility bill end of June. City Attorney Engels will check if this is an enforceable ordinance violation.

North River Street bridge work is completed.

Quote of \$52,143.00 from Electric Pump for backup power generator with transfer switch for lift station at golf course. Diane made a motion to approve the public works report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

March 2022 Accounts Payable

Sue presented the 2022 June Accounts Payable. Sue mentioned bill to Karen Anderson for fire department grant writing and City of Tyler for street sweeping. David made a motion to approve the June accounts payable, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Financial Report

Sue presented the financial reports for May 2022. Diane 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 May 2022 was 21%. City billed residents for 760,757 gallons. LPRW billed city for 961,000 gallons. Sue is tracking the water use at the trailer court with the main meter.
- 2. Received letter from MN State Demographic Center on city population. April 1, 2021 population estimate 432, household estimate 158.
- 3. Received 1st half property tax payment from Lyon County of \$112,327.18.
- 4. Received letter from League of MN Cities dues are increasing by 3.5% for September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023.
- 5. Received email from League of MN Cities IRS mileage rate increase effective July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 from 58.5 cents/mile to 62.5 cents/mile.

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

Legal Issues

Old Business

Community Center Project – Lyon County granted city \$80,000.00 to lift the floor and install helical pillars in the Community Center room. We are going to hold off asking county for money for an addition to the center. Looking into a Community Facilities Loan & Grant from USDA Rural Development.

New Business

Resolution 2022-5 Approve City as fiscal host on grant with Southwest Initiative Foundation for and age friendly community project in Lynd. Diane made a motion to approve the resolution, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Todd Leach building permit – permit is for a garage estimated cost of \$35,000.00. Diane made a motion to approve the building permit, David seconded and all voted in favor.

Update on historic site work – Sussner Construction is done with dry wall work. Justin is getting quote on painting. Southwest Glass should be done tomorrow with windows. Hodges will be doing the wiring work.

Update on historic site insurance claim from storm damage. In process of acquiring quotes for repairs. Barn roof needs to be patched cost of \$2300.00 from Colton at Prairieland Painting. Sue reminded Dillon for insurance we need written quotes. Insurance adjuster will review quotes and let us know if approved to do work. Dillon asked Colton about doing the shingles on the house, thought his brother did that type of work. Will check and let Dillon know. The church steeple that toppled over is not covered under cities insurance.

City wide clean up - Council determined costs the city to much in past, decided not to have a city wide clean up.

2022 Budgeted Transfers - \$10,000 from GF Fire Protection to Capital Equip Fire

\$26,000 from GF Street Dept to Permanent Improvement Fund

\$5,000 from GF Street Dept to Capital Equip Street

\$5,000 from GF Ice & Snow to Capital Equip Street

\$1,000 from GF Unallocated Expenditure to Historic Site Fund

\$500 from Water Fund to Capital Equip Street

\$500 from Sewer Fund to Capital Equip Street

David made a motion to approve the budgeted transfers, Diane seconded and all voted in favor.

2023 Proposed Budget – Budgeted a 3% increase with a total levy of \$180,000.00. \$145,000.00 in General Fund, \$35,000.00 in Permanent Improvement Fund. Sue informed council Proposed Levy has to be turned into county by September 30th.

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

Mayor Justin Guggisberg

Clerk/Treasurer Sue Paradis