Minutes – Lynd City Council Meeting July 19, 2022

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

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes

June 21, 2022 Council Minutes – Diane made a motion to approve the minutes, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Approval of the Agenda

Justin stated to add Railroad Crossing on County Rd 5 to New Business. David made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, Jerry seconded and all voted in favor.

Open Forum

Fire Report

Fire Chief, Dillon Schultz – Three fire calls, one was mutual aid to Marshall. Three 1st Responder calls. Will be about another month before we get pumper truck back from repairs. Two drills held in June. Burger Burn is on Monday, July 25th. Diane made a motion to approve the fire department report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

Law Enforcement Report

Deputy Adam Connor gave incident analysis report for June 2022. Activity picked up some. Deputies starting school tours again, tour Lynd School in about 2-3 weeks. Jerry made a motion to approve the law enforcement report, David seconded and all voted in favor.

Public Works Report

Dillon reported:

Bertram Asphalt completed the spray patch and crack seal, leftover material did Walnut St and some on S Redwood and St. Albans Streets. Haven't set a date to compete chip sealing yet.

Golf Course Lift Station Back-up power, Monte's Electric is working on quotes. Take to county commissioners to ask for remaining ARPA dollars allotted to Lynd.

Water loss – old cast iron line on S. Redwood Street leaking. Talked to D&G about cost to hook residents on old cast iron line on S. Redwood St up to newer PVC line. These are estimates - cap old cast iron line \$5200.00, curb stop to resident's house \$1800.00, plumber to plump inside resident's house \$1000.00. City responsible for cost up to curb stop not from curb stop into house. Would involve four homes on S. Redwood St. Propose to pay city costs partially from water fund and utility surcharge fund. City Attorney, John Engels – special assessment agreement should be done with home owners. Discussion on term of special assessment and interest, spread over five years at 3% interest. John will work on drafting special assessment agreement. David made a motion to approve city attorney to draft a special assessment agreement for five years at 3% interest, Don seconded and all voted in favor. Sue will get contact information of residents to John so he can mail the agreements.

John Deere tractor – took into Kibble for repairs.

Service Agreement with IXOM on Solar Bee – annual agreement cost is \$5000.00 each year, 3-year agreement cost is \$5200.00 each year. Covers one maintenance check each year. Warranty ran out in June. Jerry made a motion to approve the 3-year service agreement with IXOM on the Solar Bee at \$5200.00 each year, Diane seconded and all voted in favor. Diane made a motion to approve the public works report, Don seconded and all voted in favor.

July 2022 Accounts Payable

Sue presented the July 2022 Accounts Payable. David made a motion to approve the June accounts payable, Jerry seconded and all voted in favor.

Financial Report

Sue presented the financial reports for June 2022. Diane made a motion to approve the monthly reports, Jerry seconded and all voted in favor.

City Clerk's Report

Sue reported:

- 1. Water Loss Ratio for June 2022 was 52%. City billed residents for 545,869 gallons. LPRW billed city for 1,134,000 gallons. Sue is tracking the water use at the trailer court with the main meter.
- 2. City received 2nd ARPA payment of \$25,462.75.

3. City received 1st half LGA of \$43,715.00

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

Legal Issues

John stated grass clippings ordinance was not made a criminal ordinance. City can bill the residents for city maintenance to clean up the clippings. Discussion on grass clippings clean up charge. Jerry made a motion to charge a resident \$25.00 if city has to clean up grass clippings, David seconded, Don and Justin voted in favor. Diane objected. David made a motion to approve the legal issue report, Jerry seconded and all voted in favor.

Old Business

New Business

Resolution2022-6 Adopt New Chapter 16A General Floodplain Ordinance – Diane made a motion to approve the resolution, David seconded and all voted in favor.

Update on Community Center Project – holding off on applying for Community Facilities Loan with USDA to add on to community center. Felt now is not the right time.

Pedroza property mowing – Dillon does the council want the property mowed? Council told Dillon to knock down the grass as best he could.

September council meeting – work on raising the floor may not be done in community center before the September 20th council meeting. Sue will call Lynd School if can have council meeting in school.

Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water rate increase of \$0.07 effective 7/1/2022 – Discussion on increasing city water usage rates by \$0.07 each. David made a motion to increase the inclining usage rates by \$0.07 each, Jerry seconded and all voted in favor. Discussion on increasing sewer base rate from \$17.20 to \$20.50. Jerry made a motion to increase the sewer base rate from \$17.20 to \$20.50, David seconded and all voted in favor. These increases will be effective for the July bills.

No Committee Reports.

2023 Proposed Budget – Sue reminded council proposed levy needs to be turned into county auditor by September 30th. Council will continue to review budget till September 20th council meeting.

Railroad Crossing on County Rd 5 – Justin stated how crossing is in need of repair, boards move when driven over. Requested Sue to write a letter to the railroad about repairs on the crossing. Include crossing arms on 235th Street railroad crossing in letter.

Adjourn

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

Mayor Justin Guggisberg

Clerk/Treasurer Sue Paradis