

LYNDON CITY COUNCIL
ADJOURNED MEETING MINUTES OF
AUGUST 15, 2011

The Lyndon City Council met in adjourned session on Monday, August 15, 2011, 7:00 p.m., at City Hall.

Members Present: Wayne Howard, Kay Jones, Bill Patterson, Brandon Smith (7:20),
Doug Watson and Mayor Jeff Bronson

Others Present: Kim Newman, City Administrator
Pat Walsh, City Attorney
Barbara Schattak, City Clerk
Dave Wilson, Maintenance Superintendent
Darrel Manning, Chief of Police/Zoning Administrator
Teresa Calvert
Wayne White, Osage County Herald

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Bronson called the meeting to order.
2. ROLL CALL: City Clerk Barb Schattak called roll of the city council; all members are present.
3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: A motion was made by Jones to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 1, 2011 as presented. Watson seconded the motion, which carried.
4. CORRESPONDENCE TO COUNCIL: The City Clerk presented a thank you card from the Robert Smith family. Each member was given copies of the following: a copy of a memorandum from the Kansas Water Office about drought response for public water supply systems, correspondence from the League of Kansas Municipalities regarding the Kansas 150 Festival and the annual conference; both being held in Wichita.
5. CITIZEN'S STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS: Teresa Calvert presented each member with a water rate schedule she compiled from other cities within the county and other states to compare Lyndon's water rates with other cities. Ms. Calvert voiced her concerns about a portion of employee benefits being paid out of utility funds. She also stated the City should not be paying 100 percent of the health insurance; felt the employees should receive raises that would allow them to have the choice if they want the city insurance or different insurance. Ms. Calvert also suggested a wage analysis should be done.
6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - a) BUDGET HEARING: The City Administrator reported the auditor recommended some changes be made to the budget, which still did not increase the mill levy significantly. The state was contacted to see if the budget would need to be republished; the state stated it would need to be republished.

At 7:30 p.m. Mayor Bronson opened the public hearing. Patterson inquired with the grocery store closing could it effect the sales tax; it was noted the sales tax has been reduced as we were over-budgeted and were not planning to spend the excess so there should not be any effect. As there were no other questions, Mayor Bronson closed the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

The City Attorney presented Ordinance No. 776 attesting to an increase in tax revenues for budget year 2012 for the City of Lyndon, Kansas. After some discussion a motion was made by Patterson to approve Ordinance No. 776 and authorize Mayor Bronson to sign on behalf of the City. Jones seconded the motion, which carried.

City Attorney presented Ordinance No. 777 approving, adopting and appropriating by fund the budget of the City of Lyndon for the year 2012. After some discussion a motion was made by Watson to approve Ordinance No. 777 and authorize Mayor Bronson to sign on behalf of the City. Patterson seconded the motion, which carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) SRS BUILDING: The City Administrator reported she has been in contact with Jeff Clark regarding the pending closure of the SRS facility and potential efforts being made in other counties to try to save their facilities through cooperative agreements between cities and county. Representative Prescott forwarded to the City Administrator a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding between Douglas County and the City of Lawrence. Mr. Clark and Representative Prescott met with the County Commissioners regarding the closure to ask if Osage County would be a willing participant to keep the SRS Office open but the Commissioners were reluctant to consider it at this time. The City Administrator stated more information is needed such as how many are being served by having the SRS office here; it was reported the estimated cost was \$40,000 a year to keep the building open. As more information becomes available the City Administrator will inform the council.

Mayor Bronson asked if the City has been approached about the grocery store; it was noted the City has not.

8. COUNCIL COMMENTS: Patterson asked the Maintenance Superintendent when roads are to be asphalted; it was noted it will be in September.

Smith inquired about the crossing guard position; as anyone applied and how much are they to be paid. Staff reported there are two applicants and the position is paid \$7.75 in the morning and \$5.25 in the afternoon; the school is billed for a portion of the salary for reimbursement.

Howard asked when the alley entrance between the SRS building and the church will be repaired. The Maintenance Superintendent stated parts are ordered but some are back ordered; staff will be working on it as soon as all of the parts have arrived.

Jones voiced concerns of a residence on Ash Street where the yard is overgrown and asked the Chief of Police if he could look at it.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

10. ADJOURNMENT: At 7:50 p.m. a motion was made by Patterson to adjourn to a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Watson seconded the meeting, which carried.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Schattak". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Barbara Schattak
City Clerk