

LYNDON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF
MAY 3, 2010

The Lyndon City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 3, 2010, 7:30 p.m., at City Hall.

Members Present: Kay Jones, Wayne Howard, Bill Patterson, Brandon Smith,
Doug Watson, City Attorney Pat Walsh,
City Administrator Larry Thurston and City Clerk Barbara Schattak

Members Absent: Mayor Jeff Bronson

Others Present: Wayne Walquist, Jim Snyder, Don Hook, Ryan Martin, RWD #1
Wayne Wischropp, Realtor
Kayla Banzhaf, Pool Manager
Julie Nelson, Assistant Pool Manager
Darrel Manning, Chief of Police
Dave Wilson, Maintenance Superintendent
Jan Ogleby, Osage County News-Herald Chronicle
Wayne White, Osage County News Herald Chronicle

In the absence of the mayor, Council President Kay Jones called the meeting to order. A motion was made by Watson to approve the minutes of the adjourned meeting of April 19, 2010 as amended. Howard seconded the motion, which carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Vouchers for payment of April expenses were presented. A motion was made by Howard to pay accounts as set forth. Watson seconded the motion, which carried.

RWD #1 - Wayne Walquist, Jim Snyder, Don Hook and Ryan Martin, RWD #1 Board Members, came to ask the City to write a letter to RWD #7 stating they have no objection for their district to merge with RWD#7. Wayne Walquist stated most of the meters have been replaced in the water line project and are now in the right-of-way. Council President Jones stated the Council had not heard back from Rick Hines as to the options the City had regarding their district. City Attorney Pat Walsh noted the City needs to give the District an answer soon as they are on a deadline with the State. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the council to have Larry contact Mr. Hines. The matter was tabled to the next meeting.

POOL: Larry reported Julie Nelson has accepted the position of the assistant pool manager and recommended she be paid \$9.00 an hour. A motion was made by Howard to hire Julie Nelson as Assistant Pool Manager at \$9.00 an hour. Patterson seconded the motion, which carried.

Kayla and Julie gave report on several items for council input. A few of the items discussed were uniforms (swimsuits) for guards, hip packs for on duty guards to have to carry first aid gear, Lisa Reeser will help this year with the swim team and they will be asking some local students to help, pool hours may be extended a few nights a week so adults can swim after work.

Julie asked if pool wages for the lifeguards could be increased to a starting salary of \$6.00 with a 25 cent increase for returning guards. After some discussion, the matter was tabled to the next meeting.

After further discussion, Kayla and Julie were asked to work with Larry regarding their requests.

City Clerk Barb Schattak presented the pool rates from last year. After some discussion, a motion was made by Patterson to keep the pool rates the same as last year. Smith seconded the motion, which carried.

FIREWORKS ORDINANCE: City Attorney Pat Walsh reported he has drafted an ordinance for the council regarding fireworks. After some discussion, the matter was tabled to the next meeting.

STREET RESURFACING: Larry presented a breakdown of the quotes for street resurfacing and noted one of the bidders had submitted a new bid. After some discussion, a motion was made by Watson to accept the bid from Killough Construction for asphalt overlay in the amount of \$124,588. Howard seconded the motion, which carried. Larry will contact Killough.

It was noted several manholes and valve boxes will need to be raised and the risers will cost approximately \$185 to \$200 each. After some discussion, a motion was made by Howard to raise all of the manholes and valves boxes in the street project. Watson seconded the motion, which carried.

EASEMENT: Wayne Wischropp, realtor for the property located at 230 W. 8th, reported the west side of the house sits 2.8 feet into the street easement; the loan company will not approve a loan and Peimann Title cannot ensure the loan unless an easement is approved. Larry presented an easement giving property access to part of the street easement. After some discussion, a motion was made by Howard to approve the easement and authorize Mayor Bronson to sign on behalf of the City. Patterson seconded the motion, which carried.

WEBSITE: City Clerk Barb Schattak presented the contract from Holyfish for creating a new website. City Attorney Pat Walsh stated the contract needs a description of the work to be done included in the contract. Patterson also asked if the contract could state the City would own the logo. Barb will contact Ms. Poppe of Holyfish, the matter was tabled.

LEAGUE CONTRACT: City Clerk Barb Schattak presented information requested from the League of Kansas Municipalities regarding obtaining a City Administrator as well as a contract between the City and the League.

At 9:09 p.m. a motion was made by Howard to recess to executive session for 10 minutes to discuss a matter of attorney-client privilege. Watson seconded the motion, which carried. The governing body reconvened at 9:19 p.m. City Clerk Barb Schattak is to contact the League to make corrections in their contract. The matter was tabled to the next meeting.

TOURISM GUIDE: Jan Ogleby, of the Herald-Chronicle, reported she is working on a tourism guide this year which would good for the next two years. This would replace the yearly issue which highlighted each town in the county. Jan stated there were several options of ads for the City to pick from, they were for black and white: 1/8 page - \$80; 1/4 page - \$150; 1/2 \$275 and a full page ad would be \$500. If the City would choose to do a color advertisement the pricing would be: \$105; \$200; \$355 and \$620, respectively. Jan also asked if the City would also support the printing costs of the guide by paying an additional \$200. After some discussion, the matter was tabled to the next meeting.

SEWER LINES: Larry reported there is still money available from the sewer project which could help re-line two or three blocks of sewer mains. It was noted there is still one bill in the amount of \$2,000 yet to come forward for payment. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Council for Larry and Dave to look at a few streets and get prices. The matter was tabled.

BUDGET: Larry noted to the Council when the budget is worked on for 2011, there will be sales tax revenue from the Dollar General which could be projected for the 2011 budget.

TIGER RIDGE: Council President Kay Jones reported she has been visiting with individuals regarding Tiger Ridge and is waiting on more information. After some discussion, the matter was tabled.

CITY CLERK: Received a thank you from the Marais des Cygnes Valley Elementary School Carnival for the 2010 Student Pool Pass offered at their silent auction.

Tim Hays, 625 Topeka, Suite A, submitted fence permit application for the empty lot owned by Smoke Shak, the application was approved by Zoning Administrator, Larry Thurston and is on file at City Hall.

Each member was given the March and April issues of the Kansas Government Journal.

City Clerk Barb Schattak reported she and Councilman Howard attended the Kansas Sampler Festival and worked at the County booth on Saturday morning. Pictures were passed around of the festival.

As the mayor was absent, mayoral appointments were tabled to the next meeting.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: Larry gave each member a copy of his Administrator's Report and correspondence generated through his office.

Larry reported he hasn't heard from the supplier for the new mower; he will be contacting them.

Watson asked if the Kansas Wildlife and Parks sign has been put in place at Jones Park; Patterson stated it should be by the Jones Park sign. Larry will check on both signs, the matter was tabled.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS: Patterson reported the memorial tree for Kerensa Ward had been planted and an 18 inch plaque had been placed by the tree; the family is pleased.

Patterson informed the council his son Ryan and his friend Katie Knoll have painted all of the fire hydrants on Adams Street, there were 12 in all. Ryan and Katie will need to have a letter from the City reporting their community service. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Council, for the City Clerk to prepare a letter of thanks for both.

Patterson asked if the City could be placed on a list for students to contact to acquire community service. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to be listed regarding community service.

Smith stated in the past overtime had been paid to lifeguards; this should not happen this year. Larry reported overtime was not paid last year to guards and will not happen this year.

Howard suggested using a metal carport for shade at the pool, especially around the baby pool. A 12 x 21 carport would cost approximately \$591 and if the City was interested he would forego his cost which would reduce the cost to \$550. After some discussion, the matter was tabled for council members to look at a carport located at Howard's business and to look at the pool for availability of space.

Howard reported the Community Center sign had been taken down to be repaired; afterwards it had been decided to wait for the new logo so it could be placed on the sign. Howard questioned if the City was going to update the signs on the north and south sides of town. After some discussion, council members will look at the signs. The matter was tabled.

Watson reported in the past there have been benches along the walking trail and they have since disappeared; he questioned if they are not going to be replaced. It was noted the benches were being repaired or replaced by the Lyndon Lions. After some discussion, City Clerk Barb Schattak was asked if she would visit with a Lion member about the benches. The matter was tabled.

Council President Kay Jones asked if there was a need for a special meeting; it was the consensus of the council there was no need for a special meeting.

Patterson noted he has heard several positive comments regarding the city wide clean-up. It was noted there is interest from citizens for the City to have one again in the fall.

At 10:14 p.m. a motion was made by Patterson for adjournment to Monday, May 17, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. Smith seconded the motion, which carried.



Barbara Schattak
City Clerk