

New Council Regular Meeting of
Lake Preston City Council
Monday, July 10th, 2023

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the City Hall on Monday, July 10th, at 7:00 p.m. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Jodi Hope, Allen Wilde, Jeremy Woodcock, Rick Olson. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, Doug Bumann, Joe Schnell, David Fields from Kingsbury Journal, and Cedric Hay from Banner Associates, Johnathan Kaski from Halme.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wienk at 7:02 pm.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Schnell cleared up an inaccurate statement from a previous meeting from his neighbor. Inquired about some drainage issues by his shop and house, due to construction. Schnell inquired about the Tif at the SE addition area, wondering if the city got "hosed." Wienk explained that it was a learning curve, that in the future there will be several more guidelines. Council and Schnell discussed the taxes from the Tif districts, the city will not be able to use the tax dollars for 12-20 years. Schnell also inquired about not leaving the levy the same as last year, that with growth we need to take advantage of the increase and not sit stagnate.

On behalf of the ambulance Schnell updated the council with a few topics, they had received AEDs and cardiac monitors from the department of health. Ambulance has not been on very many calls recently; he briefly discussed the construction- so far, they have been able to maneuver in the construction areas.

Johnathan Kaski stated that due to the property dispute up north, Halme is asking for a 40-day extension.

Council and Hay discussed soil cementing on 4th N from Minden Ave to Preston Ave, which would be change order #4. Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Olson to approve pay request #12 from Halme for \$679,484.42 and change order #4. All in favor, motion carried. Hay gave an update on Phase 1, discussed the paving. Bowes will likely be doing several blocks when they are able to come, currently their focus is HWY 14- which is a separate class then what the city would use.

Hay explained the widening of 5th St. between Manor Ave S and Park Ave S.; gave an update on phase 2.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by McMasters to approve change order #2 from Rounds. Olson abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay discussed the TAP grant; the letter of intent is to be to the state by the 17th. Banner is working on all the documents.

Liquidated damages discussion will need to be had, if Halme can justify the 40 days. Water tower bidding was discussed, hopefully bidding out in the fall of this year.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by McMasters to approve minutes from May 11th old council regular meeting. Olson, Woodcock, Wilde abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Olson to approve minutes from June 5th regular meeting. Bumann abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve minutes from June 27th special meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Klug read through the list of questions, that came about from the police meeting in DeSmet. Contract terms, hours per week, and rates were discussed, council decided to reach out to the other cities and see what they are thinking.

Budget committee agreed to meet on July 18th @ 5:30pm.

Brian stated that one of the back boards at the basketball court was shattered, trying to get a new one in. All the AEDs, boxes, and signs are all installed. Town and Country Days prep will start Wednesday,

Klug inquired about a resident that had used quite a bit of water to water their yard, not technically going through the sewer system-could we use an average on the water bill. Council discussed getting info, how many people this would involve and check with surrounding towns. Klug stated that she had added "water tower" to the water bills, the loans for our large project are 30-year loans. Marla Bertsch will be filling in for Klug the last week in July, using vacation time. A library account with amazon was discussed, getting too hard to keep track in the bank account.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Bumann to approve the following claims as presented: All in favor, motion carried.

A&B Business \$77.15, printer contract; Amazon \$393.55, library supply; Amber Nelson \$750.00, 2023 softball coach; Avera \$635.01, health ins.; Benders \$675.00, sewer repairs; Bill Vanbeek \$37.99, water deposit; Bode Construction \$15,433.17, streets/park/phase 2; Carolyn Wallace \$4.26, water deposit; Cooks \$6,380.58, city trash/dumpsters; Cook's Plumbing \$511.20, pool bathrooms; Core & Main \$271.19, water dept.; David Hillestad \$90.00, 9 permits; Deb Miller \$160.99, library supplies; Del Smith \$70.00, 7 permits; Delzer Law Office \$150.00, august fee; DANR \$250.00, stormwater construction; DOR \$589.03, taxes; ELO \$4,420.47, 2022 audit; Flegel Flowers \$50.00, funeral flowers; Guideposts \$21.27, mag. sub.; Hawkins \$7,145.34, pool chemical; Homestead Building Supplies \$48.01, com. room; Jerry Brown \$40.00, 4 permits; Kingbrook \$12,126.05, water purchased; Kingsbury Co \$2,080.00, contract law; Kingsbury Journal \$1,193.36, publishing; Kramer Mechanical \$855.86, FH/CR generator; Leroy Koch \$70.00, 7 permits; Loren Trygstad \$90.00, 9 permits; Lowe's \$299.70, pool repairs; M&T \$6,392.50, ambulance; Maynards \$915.40, gen. gov./pool supplies; Metropolitan Compounds \$476.40, shipping; Midwest Glass \$2,497.14, safe room doors; Northwestern Energy \$105.71, natural gas; Office peeps, 132.45, envelopes; SD One Call \$327.60, 811; Ottertail Power Co \$2,458.05, electric; Prairie Ag Partners \$3,699.92, city misc.; Public Health Lab \$15.00, water testing; Team Lab \$232.00, yellow paint; The Pioneer Woman Mag. \$16.00, mag. sub.; Tim Kramer \$750.00, 2023 baseball coach; Valley Fibercom \$303.54, phone/internet; Van Diest \$842.63, mosquito spray; Winwater \$1,200.97, water dis.; Amazon \$246.91, gen. gov./pool; Execubac \$63.00, bank fees; Grainger \$1,278.99, pool lounge chairs; Schwans \$107.94, pool conc.; USPS \$425.52, water bills/stamps; Voiceshot \$20.00, voicemail/texting service; Walmart \$42.49, shower tension rods; Banner Ass. \$143,672.59, phase 1 & 2; Geotek \$7,774.00, phase 2; Halme \$100,197.48, pay req. #10; Rounds \$293,477.14, pay req. #1.

Facebook comment was read aloud.

Motion by Donna, seconded by McMasters to approve the June financial report. All in favor, motion carried.

Building permits were reviewed.

Wienk stated that he had been in contact with the code enforcer, they decided due to construction- hold off for now.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Woodcock to approve adding a line in the handbook, offering SD retirement to employees who are hired for more than 20 hrs. a week. All in favor, motion carried.

Executive Proclamation for Peggy Jensen's 100th Birthday was read aloud and approved.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Woodcock to approve the first reading of supplemental ordinance 458-23. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Olson to approve surplus: Main St. lights, DeWalt tools, and baseball pitcher and have Jerome Woodcock, Luke Holland, and Jim Wilde appraise the items. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Bumann to approve increasing Marla Bertsch wage to \$15 an hour for filling-in at the finance office. All in favor, motion carried.

Bumann encouraged the community to come out and do things for Town and Country Days.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Woodcock to go into executive session at 8:40 pm for personnel.

Council came out of executive session at 8:59 pm.

Mayor Andy Wienk declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer

Andy Wienk, Mayor

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