

**LENNOX CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2015
LENNOX CITY HALL – 107 S MAIN ST.**

The special meeting of the Lennox City Council was called to order by Mayor Wiebers at 6:00 PM and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were Mayor Wiebers, Tracy West, Mike Gregg, Marlyn Jacobson, Phillip Fett, and Greg Poppenga. Absent was Les Noonan. Staff present was Finance Officer Jerry Jones, Public Works Director Greg Stack, Water/Sewer Supt. Jeremy Gulbranson, Street Supt Dave Tipton, Police Chief Orville Jorgensen and City Engineer Mitch Mergen. Also present were Debbie Schmidt.

AGENDA:

Motion by Gregg, second by Jacobson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Jacobson, second by Gregg to go into executive session at 6:07 PM to conduct personnel evaluations. Motion carried. Mayor Wiebers declared executive session ended at 8:50 PM.

VISITORS TO BE HEARD: None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Easements from SD DOT: PWD Stack presented the easements from SD DOT for the Hi-way 17 project. After discussion, motion by Gregg, second by West to approve the permanent easement and the temporary construction easement in the amount of \$720.00. Motion carried.

Council Resignation: Mayor Wiebers present a letter of resignation from Councilman Les Noonan effective November 10, 2015. After discussion, motion by West, second by Gregg to accept the resignation from Councilman Les Noonan effective November 10, 2015 and thanked Les for his time and contribution to the City Council. Motion carried. Mayor Wiebers will contact the individuals that have been suggested to fill in the balance of Council Noonan's term.

Windsong Place: Mayor Wiebers addressed a request from Mike Anderson to have the City take over the private drive at Windsong Place. After considerable discussion and requirements that the City would require concerning the accepting the street, it was the consensus of the Council that the City would not be interested in taking over the street at Windsong Place.

Pay Request #11 First Rate Excavation: PWD Stack presented the pay request #11 from First Rate Excavation in the amount of \$250,993.41. The amount due included a 5% retainage fee in the amount of \$135,562.24. After considerable discussion and input from City Engineer Mitch Mergen, motion by West, second by Gregg to approve the pay request #11 from First Rate Excavation in the amount of \$250,993.41. Upon roll call vote; Jacobson-nay; Gregg-nay; West-nay; Fett-nay; Poppenga-aye; Motion failed on a 4 to 1 vote. The Council then discussed on how to proceed with this pay request. Councilman Jacobson requested that the City hold a 10% retainage fee on the project. The Council agreed with the request and City Engineer Mitch Mergen will prepare a new pay request and will present it at the next regular Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by West, second by Gregg to go into executive session at 9:25 PM to conduct personnel evaluations. Motion carried. Mayor Wiebers declared executive session ended at 10:34 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Jacobson, second by Gregg to adjourn at 10:35 PM. All members present, voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Jerry Jones, Finance Officer

Orville Wiebers, Mayor