

**LENNOX CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2015
LENNOX CITY HALL – 107 S MAIN ST.**

The regular meeting of the Lennox City Council was called to order by Mayor Wiebers at 7:00 PM and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were Orville Wiebers, Tracy West, Greg Poppenga, Marlyn Jacobson, Mike Gregg, Phil Fett and Les Noonan. Staff present was Finance Officer Jerry Jones, Public Works Director Greg Stack, Street Supt. Dave Tipton and City Engineer Mitch Mergen. Other present were Debbie Schmidt, Kent Plimpton, Glenn Nelson, Landon Poppens, Paul Jacobson, Frank Jacobson, and Wayne Peterson.

AGENDA:

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

MINUTES:

Motion by Poppenga, second by Tracy to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2015 regular meeting with the correction of Phil Fett was present for the meeting and the July 27, 2015 special meeting. Motion carried.

PAYROLL REPORT:

Motion by Poppenga, second by West to approve the July 2015 payroll report. Upon roll call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:

Motion by Gregg, second by Poppenga to approve July 2015 claims as presented. Upon roll call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

ACE	REC SPRAY PAINT	\$126.94
ALLEGIANT EMERGENCY SERVICES	FIRE CYLINDER HYDRO TESTING	\$626.48
AMBILL ASSOCIATES	AMB JUNE BILLING	\$525.00
AMERICAN ENGINEERING	SEWER	\$550.00
ARGUS LEADER	LIB 7/1-12/31/15	\$118.26
AVERA MCKENNAN PHARMACY	AMBULANCE MEDS FOR JULY	\$171.05
BARNES & NOBLE	LIB 15 BOOKS	\$246.70
BOUND TREE	AMB JUNE SUPPLIES	\$707.64
BUMBLEBEE GIBSON	STREET DUST CONTROL	\$5,252.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLY AND REPAIR	\$203.50
CENEX FLEETCARD	FUEL	\$892.95
CHRISTINA PETTERS	SOFTBALL TEAM HOT SHOTS	\$87.00
CONCRETE MATERIALS	STREET ASPHALT	\$3,858.72
DAVES SERVICE & REPAIR	FUEL AND REPAIR	\$1,199.09
DECOU HEATING&COOLING SERLLC	GEN REPAIR AIRCOND	\$225.00
DEVRIES, DEREK J	UMPIRE	\$60.00
DIAMOND VOGEL	PAINT FOR CROSSWALKS	\$156.70
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	WATER	\$65.80
EVELYN METCALF	CLEANING FOR JULY	\$100.00
FIRST RATE EXCAVATE INC.	PAY REQUEST #4	\$264,213.77
FLOWERS BY BOB	FLOWERS	\$125.00

HAWKINS, INC	POOL	\$3,706.96
HEALTH POOL	ADDITIONAL PREMIUM	\$1,007.17
INDEPENDENT PUBLISHING	PUBLISHING	\$549.80
VAST BROADBAND	POLICE	\$65.25
KNUTSON FIREARMS	POLICE EXCHANGE OF GUNS	\$275.00
LEWIS & CLARK REGIONAL WATER S	WATER 3,437,632 GAL USED	\$6,979.17
MARCO, INC.	CONTRACT FEE	\$292.71
MATHESON LINWELD	AMBULANCE SUPPLY	\$322.55
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOLUTION	WATER	\$306.75
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$134.12
NELSON FEED	REC CHALK	\$112.75
OFFICE MAX	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$106.08
PE GROUP	MAIN LIFT STATION UPGRADE	\$10,503.00
PETTY CASH	POLICE STURDEVANTS	\$25.49
POPPENGA RONALD	WORK AT WELLS	\$190.00
QUALIFIED PRESORT LLC	UTILITY BILLS	\$521.95
SANITATION PRODUCTS	STREET SWEEP NEW BRUSH	\$596.97
SCOTT BOLTE SANTITATION	TRASH PICKUP	\$220.96
SCOTT'S AUTOMOTIVE	CLEAR CODE NEW GAS CAP	\$92.71
SD ASSOCIATION RURAL WA	ANNUAL CLASS B DUES	\$575.00
SD DEPARMENT OF HEALTH	SAMPLES	\$492.00
SIOUX FALLS HUMANE	POLICE JULY	\$7.50
SOUTH LINCOLN RURAL WATER	JULY	\$221.90
SOUTHEASTERN ELECTRIC	UTILITIES	\$1,317.72
STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	REPAIR	\$28.69
SUNSHINE	SUPPLY	\$874.04
TESSMAN COMPANY	REC CLAY	\$168.00
TMC	JULY	\$31.75
TOTAL STOP	FUEL	\$392.71
UNITED CONCRETE INC.	CURB REPLACEMENT	\$236.12
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	\$241.14
VISION VIDEO INTERACTIVE	TEXTING SERVICE	\$50.71
WILLIAMS PLUMB & HEATING LLC	REPAIR DISWASHER AT SEN CENTER	\$88.88
WIN-911 SOFTWARE	ANNUAL RENEWAL	\$395.00
XCEL ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$9,820.23
ZIEGLER, ALISON	UMPIRE	\$20.00
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		\$320,482.38

VISITORS TO BE HEARD: There were none at this time.

FINANCE OFFICER REPORT: The Finance Officer presented the July 2015 committee budget report and ambulance dept. monthly activity report for informational purposes. Information discussed was the Roger Almond obituary in the SDML magazine, the SDML Convention in Watertown on October 6th to 9th and the LMCEDA update from Nick Fosheim. Motion by West, second by Noonan to approve the finance officer's report as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT: PWD Stack reported on the Street/Water/Sewer committee meeting as the Brown Bear Compost turner was discussed in conjunction of composting the sludge from the lagoons. The requested estimated cost to remove the approximate 640 tons of high metal sludge would be \$23,000 in tipping fees, not including freight, to the Sioux Falls landfill. PWD Stack will have additional testing done of the sludge for purposes for transport to the Sioux Falls landfill. Greg then informed the Council that Homeland Security has grants for backup generators so he applied for three applications for generators for City Hall, Ambulance and the Fire Hall. The Street/Water/Sewer committee discussed the well drop pipe replacement project and agreed to have the three smaller wells replaced this year and to have a new pump and motor ready to replace if needed. Other items discussed was the placement of no parking signs along the Boyton Ave and Main Street area for better traffic flow, the \$51,000 LWCF grant for pool improvements will expire at the end of 2015 and the City will lose the grant if not spent this year. The Mayor had been contacted about having no parking signs placed temporarily during the alley project for the mailbox which has been moved to 2nd Avenue during the project and a Councilman commented on the railroad is replacing ties on the rail in city limits and questioned if the sidewalk project is being done during this tie replacement project. Motion by Gregg, second by West to approve the Public Works Director report as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Change Order #1-Central Basin Project: PWD Stack presented the change order #1 from First Rate Excavation for review and City Engineer Mitch Mergen informed the Council of details not discussed at the previous meeting where the item was tabled. Mitch was able to obtain another quote for removing the dirt pile and spreading the soil on the acreage owned by the Development Corporation. After Council discussion of the change order and other options concerning the dirt pile, motion by Gregg, second by West to table the Change Order #1 from First Rate Excavation for leveling of the dirt pile from the 6th Avenue and Poplar Street project. Motion carried.

Brown Bear Compost Turner: PWD discussed the estimated cost removing the high metal sludge in the lagoon at the waste water plant and the time it would take to get rid of the sludge through the composting process. The Street/Water/Sewer committee requested the cost for removing the high metal sludge and then potentially composting the balance of the qualified sludge with the other materials collecting in the rubble site. Upon further discussion, motion by West, second by Gregg to table the Brown Bear Compost Turner until more detailed information can be gathered. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Petition to Vacate Street Public Hearing: The petition to vacate the north half of Court Avenue between Elm Street and Juniper Street was presented to the Council for reconsideration. Mayor Wiebers opened the public hearing at 7:46 PM for public input. Glenn Nelson and Landon Poppens addressed the Council with comments in favor for approval of the petition to vacate and Council addressed the issue with comments of in favor and opposing the vacating petition. After further discussion, Mayor Wiebers closed the public hearing at 8:05 PM. Motion by West, second by Gregg to approve the following resolution 2015-08-10-01: **WHEREAS**, the Lennox City Council has been presented with a petition to vacate the north half of Court Avenue between Elm Street and Juniper Street, and; **WHEREAS**, the Lennox City Council finds the this portion of Court Avenue has not been developed as a usable street for public use, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Lennox City Council approves the petition to vacate the north half of Court Avenue between Elm Street and Juniper Street. Upon roll call vote, Gregg-aye; Noonan-aye; Poppenga-aye; West-aye; Fett-nay; Jacobson-nay; The petition to vacate Court Avenue between Elm Street and Juniper Street was approved on a 4 to 2 vote on this 10th day of August, 2015.

Public Hearing for Ordinance #559: Mayor Wiebers opened the public hearing at 8:09 PM for the first reading of Ordinance #559 Amending City of Lennox Subdivision Regulations. PWD Stack read the ordinance #559 and with no input from the public or the Council, Mayor Wiebers closed the public hearing at 8:12 PM and declared the first reading of Ordinance #559 Amending City of Lennox Subdivision Regulations.

Pay Request #4 First Rate Excavate: PWD Stack presented the pay request #4 from First Rate Excavate for the Central Basin Project in the amount of \$264,213.77. After discussion, motion by West, second by Gregg to approve pay request #4 to First Rate Excavate in the amount of \$264,213.77. Upon roll call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Skid Steer Bids: One bid was received for the advertized skid steer bids and one was received from Pfeifer Implement for a BobcatT650 in the amount of \$47,311.42. The Council discussed whether this type of unit is needed, if a smaller unit would work and if the City is going forward with the composting operation. Motion by West, second by Fett to table the purchase of the skid steer. Motion carried.

2016 Appropriation Budget: The Finance Officer presented revenue and expense information for the 2016 budget. Numerous line items were discussed and ideas were shared on the budget for next year.

Personnel: The Finance Officer presented the information from the interviews for the street and utility laborer position.

Executive Session: Motion by Gregg, second by West to go into executive session at 9:16 PM to discuss personnel. Motion carried. Mayor Wiebers declared executive session ended at 9:48 PM.

Street and Utility Laborer Position: Motion by Jacobson, second by West to hire Clint Hostetler for the street and utility laborer. The starting wage will be \$15.00 per hour and upon successful 6 month probation, wage will be increased to \$15.50 per hour. Motion carried.

Special Meeting: A special meeting will be scheduled for Monday, August 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, motion by Gregg, second by West to adjourn at 9:50 PM. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jerry Jones, Finance Officer

Orville Wiebers, Mayor