

**LENNOX CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015
LENNOX CITY HALL – 107 S MAIN ST.**

The special 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 Mayor Wiebers, Tracy West, Mike Gregg, Marlyn Jacobson, Phillip Fett, Les Noonan and Greg Poppenga. Staff present was Finance Officer Jerry Jones, Public Works Director Greg Stack and City Engineer Mitch Mergen. Also present were Debbie Schmidt, Mike Hamerly, Richard Schriever, Glenn Nelson, Becky Kuiper, Mike Oltmanns and Wayne Petersen.

AGENDA:

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

VISITORS TO BE HEARD: Glenn Nelson addressed the City concerning the post barrier being installed on the portion of Court Avenue that was vacated. Mr. Nelson asked if the City was placing barriers around all city property since this property is being barred from the public and he feels these properties are being specifically singled out by using the post barriers. Tracy West stated that the City policy must be even and consistent on all city owned property. Later in the meeting, Mike Hamerly addressed his concerns of the Central Basin project and the progress. He commented on numerous issues that he and neighbors in the project area have concerns of. PWD Stack and City Engineer Mitch Mergen explained the process and problems the contractors are having. As of date, the project is approximately one and half months behind schedule related to weather issues and unforeseen problems in the project area.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinance #560 2016 Annual Appropriation Ordinance Second Reading: The Finance Officer presented Ordinance #560 for the seconding reading. Numerous line items were discussed and explained. After further discussion, motion by West, second by Gregg to approve the second reading of Ordinance #560 2016 Annual Appropriation Ordinance. Motion carried.

Ordinance #561 Rezone of Parcel #250.15.00.B00 from General Business to Light Industrial District Seconding Reading: PWD Stack presented and read rezone ordinance #561 for Council approval. Motion by Jacobson, second by Noonan to approve the second reading of Ordinance #561 rezone of parcel #250.15.00.B00 General Business to Light Industrial District. Motion carried.

Ordinance #562 Rezone of Parcel #250.15.00.B004 from General Business to Light Industrial District Seconding Reading: PWD Stack presented and read rezone ordinance #562 for Council approval. Motion by West, second by Gregg to approve the second reading of Ordinance #562 rezone of parcel #250.15.00.B004 General Business to Light Industrial District. Motion carried.

Ordinance #563 Rezone of Parcel #250.33.00.049 from R1 Single Family District to R3 Manufactured Housing District Seconding Reading: PWD Stack presented and read rezone ordinance #563 for Council approval. Motion by Poppenga, second by Jacobson to approve the second reading of Ordinance #563 rezone of parcel #250.33.00.049 R1 Single Family District to R3 Manufactured Housing District. Motion carried.

Ordinance #564 Rezone of Parcel #250.40.32.020 from R1 Single Family District to R3 Manufactured Housing District Seconding Reading: PWD Stack presented and read rezone ordinance #564 for Council approval. Motion by Jacobson, second by Poppenga to approve the second reading of Ordinance #564 rezone of parcel #250.40.32.020 R1 Single Family District to R3 Manufactured Housing District. Motion carried.

Capital Outlay Resolution 2015-09-28-01: The Finance Officer presented the 2016 capital outlay resolution 2015-09-25-01 for Council approval. Motion by West, second by Gregg to approve the 2016 Capital Outlay Resolution 2015-09-28-01. Motion carried.

Sunnyside Mobile Home Park Permit: PWD Stack informed the Council of the agreement that was presented to the Council by Rob Huber, owner of Sunnyside Mobile Home Park and the issues have been taken care of according to the agreement. Motion by West, second by Noonan to take to permit issue off the table for discussion. Motion carried. After discussion, motion by West, second by Noonan to approve the 2015-2016 mobile home park license permit for Sunnyside Mobile Home Park. Upon roll call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Change Order #1 Update: City Engineer Mitch Mergen presented two quotes for the removal of the dirt pile on the LADC property which required the change order #1 for the Central Basin Project. After considerable discussion, the Council agreed to leave the issue tabled at this time.

Railroad Track Repair on Main Street: City Engineer Mitch Mergen presented a cost estimate for the repair of Main Street as to the removing of the rail and the updating of the main rail line. The cost estimate is from First Rate Excavation and represents the line item cost according to the Central Basin Project. The cost include asphalt concrete removal at \$2.25 per sq. yard, aggregate base course at \$11.85 per ton, asphalt concrete at \$74.47 per ton and \$2,800.00 for incidental work. After discussion, motion by West, second by Gregg to approve the change order from First Rate Excavation for the repair work on Main Street railroad area. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Glow Fun Run/Walk: Becky Kuiper and Mike Oltmanns met with the Council to discuss a route for the Glow Fun Run/Walk scheduled for Friday, October 30th. They would like to have a 5 K run/walk to be run through the city limits and finishing by coming down main street back to the football field. The run will begin at 7:00 PM. After discussion, motion by West, second Gregg to allow the run/walk through city limits with the cooperation of the Lennox Police Dept. for traffic control. Motion carried.

Pay Request #7 for First Rate Excavation: The pay request #7 from First Rate Excavation in the amount of \$403,601.23 was presented for Council approval. City Engineer Mitch Mergen answered questions from the Council and reported that all the requested funds have been completed to date. Motion by West, second by Noonan to approve the pay request #7 from First Rate Excavation in the amount of \$403,601.23 for the Central Basin Project. Upon roll call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Personnel: Motion by West, second by Noonan to accept the resignation of ambulance employee Chad Skiles effective October 20, 2015. Motion carried. The Council thanks Chad for his years of dedication to the Lennox Ambulance Service and wishes him well on his future endeavors.

A request was presented on behalf of Jeremy Gulbranson, Water/Sewer Supt. on receiving moving expenses from Wagner to Lennox. After discussion and past request, motion by Jacobson, second by West to approve \$1,000.00 for moving expenses for Jeremy Gulbranson. Motion carried.

Other information given to the Council was the yearly wage comparison between 2015 and 2016 budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No need for executive session at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by West, second by Noonan to adjourn at 9:02 PM. All members present, voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Jerry Jones, Finance Officer

Orville Wiebers, Mayor