

**LENNOX CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2016  
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, Chad Wulf, Greg Poppenga, Phil Fett, Alan Ratliff, and Mike Gregg. Joining the meeting in progress was Tracy West. Staff present was Finance Officer Jerry Jones, Public Relations Director Amanda Anglin, Water/Sewer Supt Jeremy Gulbranson, Street Supt. Dave Tipton and City Engineer Mitch Mergen. Also present were Robert Caffarelli and Fritz Casper of Carrothers Construction Company, David Lock, Kelli Bultena, Kent DeJong, Marie Klingbile, Rhoda Strasser, Sam Bowers, Laura Welch and Wayne Peterson.

**AGENDA:**

Motion by Gregg, second by Poppenga to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**VISITORS TO BE HEARD:** None at this time.

**POOL PROJECT:** Robert Caffarelli and Fritz Caspar of Carrothers Construction Company met with the Council and presented pool designs for consideration. Considerable discussion was held and was followed by questions from the Council and those in attendance.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Vacation of Industrial Street:** Motion by West, second by Gregg to take off the table the Vacation Petition of Industrial Street South of East Oriole Drive for discussion. Motion carried. The Council discussed the purchase agreement that was requested and the Development Corporation assured that the agreement is in place. Motion by West, second by Gregg to approve the petition to vacate Industrial Street south of East Oriole Drive. Upon further discussion and concerns of an understanding of the potential purchasers of the property concerning the petition, motion by West, second by Wulf to withdraw the motion to vacate. Motion carried. Motion by Gregg, second by Wulf to table the petition for vacation of Industrial Street south of East Oriole Drive so further information can be obtained. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approval of Truck/Plow/Sander:** Motion by Gregg, second by Ratliff to approve the purchase of the 1991 GMC Topkick C7500 truck, snow plow and stainless steel sander unit from Boyer Trucks in the amount of \$18,900.00. Upon roll call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Elevation for Curb and Sidewalk:** City Engineer Mitch Mergen reported on a request from Glenn Nelson to find the elevations for the curb at his property. Mitch recommended having Stockwell design Juniper Street south of Center Street to set the elevations and utilities for the street and Mitch stated the cost would be approximately \$5,000 for the service. After discussion, motion by Gregg, second by Wulf to approve Stockwell to do a preliminary design plan for the portion of Juniper Street south of Center Avenue. Upon roll call vote, Gregg-aye; Poppenga-nay; Ratliff-nay; Wulf-nay; West-abstain; Fett-abstain. Motion failed on a 1 to 3 vote. After further discussion, motion by Gregg, second by West to have Stockwell determine the elevations for Glenn Nelson curb and gutter for the project that is being done. Upon roll call vote, Gregg-aye; Ratliff-aye; Wulf-aye; Poppenga-aye; West-aye; Fett-abstain; Motion carried.

**WWTF Auger and Screen:** General discussion was held on the situation that is at the WWTF and the replacement of the worn out auger and screen. The new auger and screen was delivered to the treatment plant this week and the installation crew stated that they cannot install the unit as the building was not designed for the replacement of the equipment. The crew replaced a pump that they had brought along with them, dropped off the auger and screen and stated when the City has a hatch cut open in the roof for crane access, they will return and install the unit. Councilman Fett stated that he has studied the facility and what it would take to install the unit using city employees. After further discussion, the Council agreed to have the Street/Water/Sewer committee meet at the plant and review Councilman Fett idea and report back a the special council meeting on Monday, June 27, 2016 with their recommendation.

**Land Applying Sludge:** Mayor Wiebers opened discussion concerning an option to apply the sludge that can be land applied to get rid of the sludge as instructed by the State. Water/Wastewater Supt. Jeremy Gulbranson commented on the issue and not being aware of the plan for the disposal of the sludge. Jeremy also commented on the testing of the ground that the sludge will be applied to and the State will have the final approval if the sludge can be applied to the ground selected. After further discussion, the Council agreed to have the selected area tested and to follow the State's recommendation as to the applying of the sludge.

**Condemnation of 608 South Main:** Public Relations Director Amanda Anglin reported to the Council concerning the condemnation of 608 S. Main and the process that had already been in place but not followed through. After further discussion, the Council agreed to go forward with the condemnation process of the property located at 608 S Main Street.

**Appointment to the Park and Rec Board:** Motion by West, second by Wulf to approve Mayor Wiebers appointment of Cassie Bondesen to the Park and Rec Board. Motion carried.

The Council continued discussion on the pool project and options available for the project.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Gregg, second by West to adjourn at 8:55 PM. All members present, voted aye. Motion carried.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Jerry Jones, Finance Officer

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Orville Wiebers, Mayor