

**LENNOX CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2016
LENNOX CITY HALL – 107 S MAIN ST.**

The special meeting of the Lennox City Council was called to order by Council President Mike Gregg at 6:05 PM and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Wiebers joined the meeting at 6:20 PM. Members present were Mayor Wiebers, Tracy West, Mike Gregg, Marlyn Jacobson, Alan Ratliff and Greg Poppenga. Absent was Phil Fett. Staff present was Finance Officer Jerry Jones, Street Supt. Dave Tipton, Water/Sewer Supt. Jeremy Gulbranson and City Engineer Mitch Mergen. Also present were Jon Brown, Arvid Straatmeyer, Al Osborne and Kent Plimpton.

AGENDA:

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

VISITORS TO BE HEARD: None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Stockwell Engineering: Jon Brown and Mitch Mergen from Stockwell Engineers met with the Council and discussed at great length the Central Basin Project, the upcoming swimming pool project, the opportunity to have a 5 year capital improvement plan completed with Stockwell, and along with the other committee reports during regular council meetings, Stockwell will present an engineer report. The condition of the WWTF was discussed at length and Stockwell can offer certified personnel to cover the City of Lennox until Jeremy passes his certification test and will offer assistance in the day to day operation of the WWTF until the maintenance items are corrected and Jeremy takes control of the facility. Further discussion was held with Water/Sewer Supt. Gulbranson concerning the amount of personnel is needed to conduct all job requirements in the water, sewer and WWTF departments, and Jeremy agreed that some additional help as this time is needed to help with the WWTF.

PERSONNEL: Motion by Gregg, second by West to authorize Water/Sewer Supt. Gulbranson to seek an engineering firm to help with the operation of the WWTF for the short term. Motion carried.

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

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by West, second by Gregg to adjourn at 8:37 PM. All members present, voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Jerry Jones, Finance Officer

Orville Wiebers, Mayor