

MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF LINN VALLEY, KANSAS
MARCH 14, 2022
7:00 pm

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Cindy Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present at the meeting were Council Members Lewis Donelson, Robert Suppenbach, John Weers, Michael Hemphill, and Brenda Muncy.

Mike Billings of USDA addressed the council via Zoom to discuss funding for the Wastewater Lagoon Expansion Project. Mr. Billings summarized of each section of the Letter of Conditions. Council Member Donelson made a motion to allow the mayor to sign the Letter of Intent to meet these conditions for USDA Rural Development. The motion was seconded by Council Member Muncy and the motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Weers made a motion for an executive session for legal for twenty minutes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Donelson. The motion carried 5-0. The Council retired to executive session at 7:28 pm and returned at 7:58 with no action taken.

MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the February 28, 2022 meeting were presented. Council Member Suppenbach made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hemphill and the motion carried 5-0.

SEWER REPORT

Page Enterprise submitted the sewer report for February 2022. There were 18 locates, repairs on sewer equipment, replacing a hydrant, and checking the sewer lines at City Hall.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Planning and Development Director Daniel Donham reported the surveyors have completed Phase 1 of marking sewer tanks and water lines. Rural Water will mark their water lines. Completion of marking is expected this week.

Joey McLiney, Financial Director of McLiney & Company, will be at the March 28 council meeting to discuss financing for the wastewater lagoon project.

BUILDING CODES REPORT

Thirty-nine permits were issued in February, with 71 total for the year.

MAINTENANCE REPORT/ NUISANCE CODES REPORT

Work is continuing to prepare for the arrival of the new office building.

Codes Officer Hastings reported sending seven letters for nuisance issues in February with eight confirmations of receipt of certified letters. He issued three citations for code violations.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Public Safety Director Corey Murrison reported two arrests for driving while suspended. An additional two arrests were made for burglary and criminal damage at the church. The fire department responded to one fire in Linn Valley and six medical calls. In Miami county, they responded to a roll-over accident and three grass fires.

The new police station will be completed this week.

CITY CLERK REPORT

Clerk Karen Siffring reported \$15,000.61 income in February and \$72,393.06 in expenses.

Councilmember Donelson made a motion to approve vouchers of \$269,076.81. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Suppenbach. The motion carried 5-0.

2022 INSURANCE POLICY

Clerk Siffring presented the invoice for the 2022 insurance policy for the city. The city's portion is \$47,054. Council Member Suppenbach made a motion to approve the payment of \$47,054 for the insurance policy. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

CHECK SIGNERS

One former council member is on the check signers' documents. Clerk Siffring asked the council if they would like to update the signers. Clerk Siffring will contact the bank to request removing the former council member's name.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Smith reported receiving six resumes for the Building and Codes Clerk position. Interviews will be set up for five candidates.

Two individuals received letters regarding their docks. There has been no action taken by the property owners to comply.

A townhall meeting for the Water Project and Wastewater Project will be scheduled for April or May.

Compensation for the city attorney will be discussed at a later date.

George Nunnemacher, newspaper reporter, expressed concern about the condition and display of the flags at city hall.

ADJOURN

Councilmember Suppenbach made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hemphill and passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Submitted by:

Karen Siffring, City Clerk