

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL
Lindsborg City Hall
June 6, 2022–6:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Clark Shultz, Rick Martin, Tanner Corwin, Blaine Heble, Corey Peterson, Rebecca Van Der Wege, Emile Gallant

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Kirsten Bruce, John Presley

OTHERS PRESENT:

Kristi Northcutt, Roxie Sjogren, Zach Strella, Jordan Jerkovich, Lucas Neece, Chris Lindholm, Chief Mike Davis, Holly Lofton, Michael Bernstrom

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Shultz, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There was no public input.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

There were no amendments to the agenda.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Shultz mentioned the upcoming board and commission June meetings that are coming up. He also highlighted that this weekend is the annual Midsummer's Festival and encouraged everyone to participate.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Council President Rick Martin moved to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2022, regular Council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5362 and 5363, and Purchase Order Ordinance 5364. Motion seconded by Council member Blaine Heble and passed 4-0 by roll call vote. Councilmembers Corey Peterson and Emile Gallant abstained.

APPOINTMENTS:

There were no appointments.

PLANNING AND ZONING:

Community Development Director Jordan Jerkovich share that Planning & Zoning did not meet last month because they did not have a quorum. Their next meeting will be June 28 at 6 p.m. in Council chambers. There will be two vacancies on Planning & Zoning. If there are any recommendations or interest, please share them with a Council member, the mayor, or Jordan Jerkovich.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Space Needs Analysis/Public Safety Center

One of the objectives of the city's Strategic Plan is to provide a "Safe & Healthy Community" with a goal of providing public safety services for all that maintain standards of excellence. Lindsborg's Public Safety Center on Lincoln Street was built in the mid-1980s, and no modernizing or large-scale improvements have been made to the facility since that time. While our public safety employees maintain a very high standard of excellence in their service to our community, the facilities that they operate from do not.

Staff has identified a need to improve both interior and exterior areas of the Public Safety Center buildings. Specifically, updates would include addressing:

- Persistent stormwater intrusion in the exterior stairwell of the EMS building.
- The configuration within the police department's space, which does not meet the needs of staff or the public, and creates potential vulnerabilities; and
- Improvements to the façade on Lincoln Street to continue to foster a sense of place.

Proposals were solicited from four firms: JGR, Hutton, PLI, and Alloy. Because of the smaller scale of the project, we received only one proposal, from Hutton. This firm completed a similar scope of work for the as-yet unbuilt Consolidated Public Works facility. Staff was very pleased with their communication, style, and the resulting work-product.

Hutton's proposal was provided to Council for reference. The expectation is that the end product will provide reliable estimates for future budgeting and a plan for most efficiently phasing the work.

Council President Rick Martin moved to accept the proposal from Hutton to complete a space needs analysis as outlined for the Public Safety Center in the amount of \$7,500.00. Seconded by Councilmember Blaine Heble and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

Ward Redistricting-Ordinance No. 5365

The current City of Lindsborg Ward Map does not include Stockholm Estates, since until this calendar year, there were no residents living in the new development. However, for voting purposes, McPherson County currently includes Stockholm Estates in Ward 1 in the map on file with the County Clerk.

It therefore appears that the city may have informed the county of Stockholm Estate's proper ward but has not yet acted at the city level. According to city code, "The boundary of each ward shall be as determined by the governing body and indicated on the official city ward boundary map, which shall be maintained by the city clerk."

An amendment to Ordinance No. 4770, passed in 2012, would include Stockholm Estates in the proper ward (Ward 1) and bring the city and county ward maps into sync. This is time-sensitive and must be amended by July 12, 2022, to ensure that residents of Stockholm Estates have the right to vote in local elections.

Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege moved to adopt Ordinance No. 5365, amending the previous resolution for ward districting so that residents of Stockholm Estates are included in Ward 1 for voting purposes. Seconded by Council President Rick Martin and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

North Kansas Street Repaving Project

This year is the budgeted/planned repave of the 600-700 blocks of North Kansas Street. The 600 block is between Normal and Columbus and in front of the Bethany College football stadium, and the 700 block is between Columbus and Garfield. North Kansas receives a lot of traffic because of the college, the football stadium, and the ball fields. There also is a large percentage of the Westview addition that uses this street as part of their daily commute to get to Harrison Street. The 700 block is an unimproved street and has only ever received a rock surface and chip sealing over the years. Because North Kansas receives significantly more traffic than a local residential street, it needs to be milled and repaved to handle the volume of traffic that it sees daily. This situation and type of work were what took place on the 200-300 block of East Garfield Street, which is also an unimproved street and paved because of the volume of traffic.

One hurdle to overcome this year is contractors' scheduling due to personnel and materials issues. Our normal contractor, APAC, could not even commit to 2022 because of staffing issues. Pearson Construction has submitted a quote to do the work but is not able to guarantee that they could get it done by mid-August before school starts. If that is the case, it will require some work between the city, college, and school district to fit a

schedule that will least impact fall activities. Fortunately, this will be a job that should be able to be completed rather quickly so the impacts should be manageable. The contractors are confident that they would be able to get the work done in September if they didn't make it in August.

Councilmember Emile Gallant moved to approve the repaving of the 600-700 blocks of N. Kansas by Pearson Construction for a not-to-exceed price of \$135,000. Seconded by Councilmember Tanner Corwin and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session.

OTHER:

Councilmember Van Der Wege asked if there as a schedule for upcoming study sessions and when/how they could receive progress updates. Councilmember Heble asked the status of the Cow Creek easements. Community Development Director Jordan Jerkovich shared that he is close to finishing them up and that he is working with Wilson & Co. to wrap up a few items. City Administrator Kristi Northcutt will send an updated project list to Council, as well as an upcoming study session schedule to Council. If any council members have a study session topic recommendation, they may provide those to Ms. Northcutt or the mayor directly.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council President Rick Martin moved for adjournment, seconded by Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege, and passed 6-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Roxie Sjogren, CMC
City Clerk