

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL
Lindsborg City Hall
February 5, 2024–6:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Clark Shultz, Rebecca Van Der Wege, Kirsten Bruce, Blaine Heble, Joshua Swanson, Andrew Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Corey Peterson, John Presley, Tanner Corwin

OTHERS PRESENT: Kristi Northcutt, Roxie Sjogren, Zach Strella, Chris Lindholm, Milton Collins, Lauren Doak, Marcus Petty, Chief Davis, David Hay, Holly Lofton, Kathy Englund

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

PUBLIC INPUT:

Kathy Englund spoke to City Council regarding her concerns over fireworks in the community on the 4th of July.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

There were no amendments to the agenda.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

Mayor Shultz shared the winners of the annual 5th grade poster contest sponsored by the Kansas Forest Service. The Lindsborg Tree Board served as the judges. The theme was “We All Need Trees for Thriving Forest Habitats!”

The winners were: first place, Ivana Tupas; second place Maleah Scritchfield; and third place was Emmi Brunsell.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Kirsten Bruce moved to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2024, regular Council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5467, and Purchase Order Ordinance 5468. Motion seconded by Councilmember Andrew Smith and passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

APPOINTMENTS:

There were no appointments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Street Maintenance

In 2022, the Streets Department started to make repairs to cracks in streets that were larger than could be properly repaired using the normal crack seal repair techniques. This repair was done using a mastic seal melter and mastic sealant. Mastic sealant is a hot-applied, pourable, aggregate-filled, polymer-modified asphalt sealant that can be used to repair cracks up to several inches wide. This product is applied as a hot flowable material that dries very hard and requires no additional compaction due to the aggregate that is within the material.

In 2022 when this product was first used, it was done on streets that were later chip and fog-sealed, providing additional protection to the streets. Reducing moisture infiltration is the main reason for crack sealing; however, mastic repair of larger cracks does come with an additional benefit. As the void is filled in between wider cracks, it creates a smoother transition across what was previously a gap. This helps smooth out the street and improves the ride quality. On streets that have been repaired using this method, there is a very noticeable difference.

Two companies in Wichita deal in melters: Crafcoc Inc. and McConnell & Associates. The first year, a melter was rented from McConnell and the crew did not have the best of luck. The melter is an older unit and it was normally late morning before the material was hot enough to allow the crew to start working. The tools used with the machine were also in very poor condition. Last year, the melter was rented from Crafcoc Inc.; the unit warmed up much quicker and the tools were in good condition, much lighter weight, and easier to work with. The extra time spent waiting for the McConnell melter to warm up is costly.

The Crafcoc Inc. quote came in \$790.00 higher than the McConnell quote; however, if figured per equal quantity of material, it is only \$400.00 higher than McConnell. McConnell continues to use the same melter staff used two years ago. Because of the problems experienced with that unit, staff recommended that the melter from Crafcoc Inc be used. This unit warms much faster, which allows staff to get started earlier, which in the end can reduce the amount of rental time required, which reduces costs.

Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege moved to approve the quote from Crafcoc Inc. for the two-week rental of a mastic melter along with 8,400 lbs. of mastic sealant for a total cost of \$7,760.00. Seconded by Councilmember Kirsten Bruce and passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

Pool Filters

The current pool filter system has been in place at the Lindsborg Swimming Pool since 1994. The Water Department provides continual upkeep, but the filter system has reached a point where it needs to be replaced for optimal performance. Due to turn-around time and expected part delivery, the goal is to get through this pool season with the current system and replace the filters in August right after the pool closes for the season.

With City Council's approval on this item now, SwimTime will have enough lead time to acquire the necessary items for August replacement; a portion of the remaining budgeted amount will be spent closer to installation time on a flow meter and various pipe fittings.

Councilmember Andrew Smith moved to purchase a new filter system from SwimTime in the amount of \$35,000. Seconded by Councilmember Blaine Heble and passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

Bandshell Repairs

The bandshell structure is city property and is in Swensson Park. This building is used for a variety of purposes, most notably Broadway RFD. Over the last couple of years, the building has experienced water infiltration in the basement. There are concrete seams along the stage top and small cracks that allow water to enter. However, these issues are only allowing small amounts of water in. Staff recommended fixing the issues now before they worsen. Thrasher Foundation Repair inspected the structure and deemed the foundation/basement was structurally sound.

After contacting different companies, staff determined that a sealing process is the best solution. The other option to keep the basement dry is a combination of drains, pumps, and dehumidifiers. The following reasons aided in the decision of selecting the sealing process.

- The complexity of the pump/drain system adds additional cost and maintenance.
- Space is limited in the basement due to stored items, and the equipment takes up extra space.

- The system needs temperatures to remain above freezing to function. The bandshell is not heated and would incur additional cost for heaters and monthly heating bills.
- Allowing water to enter the concrete and be exposed to freezing cycles eventually damages the concrete.
- Sealing the concrete keeps water from entering.
- Mid-Plains offers a 20-year warranty.
- Mid-Plains offers a special chemical grout.

Thrasher Foundation Repair quoted \$30,452.42 for a complete subfloor drain, pump system, buried discharge line and gutter protection. Mid-Plains Waterproofing quoted \$38,700 for a complete seal of the basement and top of the stage.

Thrasher Foundation Repair, Spartan Ram Jack Foundation Repair & Waterproofing, and Salina Foundation Repair do not offer a concrete sealing process.

While the Thrasher quote is lower, the sealing process from Mid-Plains was the recommendation from staff to address the issues more fully and to reduce the probability of future repairs.

Briggs Basement Foundation and Repair is out of the service range and generally offers a 5–10-year warranty. They would not say for certain without looking at the job.

Councilmember Kirsten Bruce moved to approve Mid-Plains Waterproofing to seal the Bandshell concrete for \$38,700. Seconded by Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege and passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Andrew Smith moved for adjournment, seconded by Councilmember Kirsten Bruce, and passed 5-0 by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Roxie Sjogren, CMC
City Clerk