

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL
Lindsborg City Hall
June 16, 2025–6:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Corey Peterson, Rebecca Van Der Wege, Blaine Heble, John Presley, Tanner Corwin, Larry Lysell

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Shultz, Joshua Swanson, Kirsten Bruce

OTHERS PRESENT:

Roxie Sjogren, Zachary Strella, David Hay, Holly Lofton, Chief Terry Reed, Denny Walker, Noah Flores, Scott Bontz

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Council President Corey Peterson, 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:

Council President Corey Peterson thanked the volunteers, performers, committee members, artists, and participants for the Midsummer's Festival that occurred last weekend.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember John Presley moved to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2025, regular Council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5538 and Purchase Order Ordinance 5539. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tanner Corwin and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

APPOINTMENTS:

There were no appointments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

Garfield Channel Bonding Overage-Ordinance No. 5540

On August 1st, 2016, City Council approved issuing general obligation debt for the Garfield Drainage Improvement Project. When this project was completed in 2018, there was a balance left over that has been sitting in a Capital Project fund since. After conferring with Bret Shogren from Stifel and Garth Herrmann with Gilmore and Bell it was recommended that we use the money quickly on another project that the city has ready to go. After discussing the projects that we were working on it was decided the two best projects would be the mill and overlay for Union St and Green St, and then use the remaining towards the HVAC replacement for City Hall. This will require us to have several different documents approved by City Council.

1. An ordinance designating Union and Green Streets as main trafficways
2. A resolution authorizing bond financing for the improvements to Union and Green Streets
3. A resolution authorizing bond financing for the HVAC improvements at City Hall

4. A resolution supplementing the Series 2016 Bond Resolution and authorizing the street and City Hall improvements to be eligible to be financed with the remaining proceeds of the Series 2016 Bonds.

Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege moved to approve Ordinance No. 5540 designating Union and Green Streets as main trafficways. Seconded by Councilmember Blaine Heble and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

Councilmember Blaine Heble moved to approve Resolution No. 04-2025 authorizing bond financing for the improvements to Union and Green Streets. Seconded by Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

Councilmember John Presley moved to approve Resolution No. 05-2025 authorizing bond financing for the HVAC improvements at City Hall. Seconded by Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege and moved to approve Resolution No. 06-2025 supplementing the Series 2016 Bond Resolution and authorizing the street and City Hall improvements to be eligible to be financed with the remaining proceeds of the Series 2016 Bonds. Seconded by Blaine Heble and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Biomist

Biomist is a product used for mosquito control. For about the last eight years, the street department has been alternating every two years between Biomist and Mosquito Mist to control mosquitos. The reason for alternating is because they can develop an immunity to the product and research shows this is the best way to control them.

Councilmember Larry Lysell moved to approve \$5,434.00 for the purchase of Biomist for mosquito control. Seconded by Councilmember Tanner Corwin and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

Kansas Gas Franchise Fee-Ordinance No. 5541

The City of Lindsborg franchise fee agreement with Kansas Gas will expire on October 27, 2025. This is a 20-year agreement with Kansas Gas to be able to provide gas service to City of Lindsborg customers. The current agreement charges a 3% franchise fee to all customers within the city limits.

There are currently 5 customers that are just transport customers. They are not currently charged a franchise fee. This means that they buy natural gas from a third-party gas marketer. Kansas Gas Service bills for the delivery only. The third-party marketers bill for gas. Kansas Gas Service delivers that gas through Kansas Gas Service pipes. Kansa Gas Service does not own or know the price of the third-party gas. To consistently apply the franchise fee staff is recommending that we add the transport customers to be included in the franchise fee. Based off usage from the last year gas consumption this would be about an additional \$3400 is revenue but could be different based off consumption.

Kansas Gas is asking for a new 20-year agreement with the City of Lindsborg. We recommend that we continue with a 3% franchise fee that is currently being charged. The only difference in the agreement would be that we would now charge the transport customers the 3% fee also.

Councilmember Blaine Heble moved to approve Ordinance number 5541 to maintain a 3.0% franchise fee with Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc, and include transport customers in the franchise fee agreement. Seconded by Councilmember John Presley and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

Other:

City Clerk Roxie Sjogren shared with Council that there will be a study session on July 21.

Council President Corey Peterson announced that Meet in the Middle will be held at the Sundstrom Conference Center on June 18.

Council President Corey Peterson asked about the condition of Union and Green Streets that were recently done with mill and overlay. Public Works Director Denny Walker shared that they are aware of the concerns and are working with the city attorney.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember John Presley moved for adjournment, seconded by Councilmember Blaine Heble, and passed 6-0 by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7: 05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roxie Sjogren". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Roxie Sjogren, MMC
City Clerk