

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

July 6 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Becky Anderson, Rebecca VanDerWege, Rick Martin, Ed Radatz, Kirsten Bruce, Blaine Heble, Jodi Duncan, Emile Gallant

**ABSENT:** Mark Friesen

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Greg DuMars, Roxie Sjogren, Chris Lindholm, Chief Mike Davis, Lucas Neece, Margot Pickering, Chandra Cooper, Suzanne Sandbo, Ted Kessinger

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

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

In this COVID atmosphere we find ourselves, I tell everyone to check back to see if meetings are happening or have been cancelled. We are coming to a time in our community when there are questions about the schools and Bethany College returning, whether sports will be played.

If you have questions or concerns, please step forward and express yourself. Later we will discuss the McPherson County Commission decision that is opposite of what Governor Kelly said about wearing masks. We cannot pretend this is not happening. You are charged with making decisions that are the best for the community. Something that is somewhat analogous is spraying mosquitos. We all get calls and letters from people asking to not do it, but we do it because it is what is best for the community.

The budget meeting was schedule for Monday, July 13 at 6:30 pm in the JO Sundstrom Conference Center.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Rick Martin moved to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2020 regular council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5236, and Purchase Order Ordinance 5237. Motion seconded by Kirsten Bruce and passed, as amended, unanimously by roll call vote.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Emile Gallant moved to appoint Teresa Pearson to the EMS and Rod Schrage. Seconded by Rebecca Van Der Wege and passed unanimously by voice vote.

Blaine Heble moved to appoint Marilyn Borell, Gary Hartter and Warren Hett to the library board. Seconded by Rebecca Van Der Wege and passed unanimously by voice vote.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** No report

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS**

### **CCLIPS Bid Award**

On June 23, 2020, the bid opening was held for the K-4 CCLIP Resurfacing Project. This is the resurface project of K-4 from South Main Street to the west city limits. CCLIP stands for City Connecting Link Improvement Program. This is a federal and state funded program that provides funds to cities to address deficiencies or improve a City Connecting Link on a State Highway System. A City Connecting Link is defined as any routing of a State High System that is located within the corporate limits of a city. The funds that were applied for fall under Surface Preservation category which means this project will see patchwork on the bad areas, mill and overlay, edge rock and stripping. The Surface Preservation category pays for 95% of the cost of a project up to \$300,000.

There were two bids for the project, one from APAC Shears for \$318,844.35 and one from Flint Hills Materials for \$290,043.00. With the lower bid from Flint Hills Materials of \$290,043.00, the City's share for the project in the end will be **\$14,502.15**. This is a reimbursement grant so the contractor will invoice the City, the City will pay them and submit reimbursement forms to KDOT. This is a quick process, normally taking less than 30 days to receive those funds back from the State.

The City will also cover the inspection during the project, that time will be logged and charged back to KDOT to be reimbursed.

Detouring will not be required; traffic will be shifted by lanes within the project area and avoid any detours through town. Estimated time of completion would be 2 to 4 weeks weather permitting.

Rebecca Van Der Wege moved to approve the funding for the K-4 CCLIPS Resurfacing project in the amount of \$290,043.00. Seconded by Kirsten Bruce and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

### **Streets Chip Seal Quote**

This year's street project was going to be repaving the 600 to 900 blocks of North Main Street. With the current economic situation, we felt it best to not do that project as a whole and looked at dividing it into a two-year project. The economics of that would add an additional \$40,000 to the repave and that does not make sound economic sense. That project will be put off until next year and this year's focus will be placed on trying to catch up on some chip seal. The Street Superintendent and the Director of Public Works have looked at the streets and tried to formulate a plan to catch the worst streets as well as bring them in line with what has been done in the recent past.

This year we are looking at chip sealing 24,262 square yards of streets. This will cover many of the worst streets on the north end of town as well as catching up streets on the south end of town. This will be a good effort to try and seal some of the streets before they deteriorate more.

Bids were sought from Circle C Paving and APAC with bids returned from both contractors. Circle C paving had the lower bid for the project.

Circle C Paving \$64,469.60

APAC-Kansas \$79,280.84

Rick Martin moved to approve the bid from Circle C Paving in the amount of \$64,469.60 for the chip seal of city streets. Seconded by Blaine Heble and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

### **Stockholm Estate Transformer Quote**

The transformers were not included in the bids for the electrical materials for Stockholm Estates. Staff has had a discussion internally as well as with the developers about the use of remanufactured transformers versus new. Currently all the transformers installed within the city are refurbished or remanufactured. Remanufactured transformers offer an average cost savings of 30% to 40% over new transformers. More important is the materials used to manufacture the internal components, the conductor material on new transformers are wound with aluminum whereas older transformers are wound with copper. Although copper is more expensive, it does a much better job of handling the heat and loads associated with the Kansas summer heat because it is less susceptible to

metal fatigue. Copper is much less prone to creep which is the deformation of metal conductors when exposed to stress such as heat.

The electric department toured the facilities of Sunbelt-Solomon Solutions in Solomon and Midwest Electric Transformer Services in Newton to get an understanding of each of their remanufacturing processes and how the companies operate. Both companies have a very thorough remanufacturing process and a knowledgeable staff. In the past we have some issues with the quality, communications, and lead times of the Solomon transformers

Because of some of the past issues with Solomon Solutions, I would recommend that we go with the higher bid and purchase the transformers from Midwest Electric Transformer Services. This is a group of individuals that use to work at Solomon and saw a need for providing a better quality of service and decided to strike out on their own and are building a business based on a quality product with attention to customer service.. Both companies offer the same warranty and Midwest has a little shorter lead time, however that is not an issue at this point. The difference in bids was only \$105.00

A three phase transformer will still need to be ordered for the sewer lift station, but it cannot be ordered until we get submittals from the engineer so that we know what the exact electrical requirements for the lift station will be.

Emile Gallant moved to approve the purchase of 10 transformers from Midwest Electric Transformers in the amount of \$15,300. Seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

### **Well #8 Irrigation Pump and Motor**

The City has a contract with Bethany College to provide water to the ball fields for irrigation from Well #8. Well #8 is an old City well located next to the TACOL facility on West Swenson Street. This well also serves the new baseball field to the north of the college. On June 19, staff started having some issues with fuses blowing which protect the motor. After we had the motor checked by A-1 Well Service, it was determined that the motor had a bad winding. When the motor and pump unit was pulled, it was also discovered that the pump itself was so packed full of manganese that it would not be possible to clean the pump screen to allow it to function properly. This necessitated the replacement of both the motor and the pump to get the system back up and running. This pump and motor were installed in 2002 when this agreement was put into place with the college.

The pump, motor and fittings were replaced along with the motor lead. This replacement was done immediately because of the need to keep the irrigation system functioning to sustain the grass on the ball fields.

Emile Gallant moved to approve the replacement of the pump and motor at well #8 from A-1 Well Service in the amount of \$6,519.00. Seconded by Jodi Duncan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

### **Community-wide Mandatory Mask Discussion**

A copy of the ordinance that was passed in Wichita was shared with Council members. Mayor Anderson said that Council would not be voting on wearing masks but having a discussion.

Three members of the community, Ted Kessinger, Chandra Cooper and Suzanne Sandbo spoke in favor of wearing masks.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

#### **OTHER:**

Blaine Heble asked about the status of the tower. Greg DuMars said that the construction of the tower is completed, antennas have not been installed. MW Towers is the company that constructed the tower and AT&T is the lessee.

Ed Radatz asked about the status of the property at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Olsson because of all of the overgrown weeds. City Administrator Greg DuMars said that we can reach out to the property owner. Public Works Director Chris Lindholm said the sidewalk has been replaced and they were finalizing things at the bank.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Kirsten Bruce , seconded by Ed Radatz and passed unanimously. Adjourned at 7:29p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Roxie Sjogren  
City Clerk