

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

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Clark Shultz, Corey Peterson, Rebecca Van Der Wege, Kirsten Bruce, Blaine Heble, Joshua Swanson, Tanner Corwin, John Presley, Andrew Smith

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

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

PUBLIC INPUT:

Pastor Bruce Burfield from the First Baptist Church shared an opening prayer.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

City Administrator Kristi Northcutt shared that Item #10-C should read Uniform Public Offense Code, not Unified Public Offense Code. There were no objections.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Shultz wished Councilmembers Tanner Corwin and Kirsten Bruce a happy birthday.

Saturday, August 3 was the Smoky Valley Classic Car show that was well attended and turned out great.

Last Thursday, the community benchmark results from the McPherson Community Foundation were shared during the Mastermind meeting. Holly Lofton, CVB Director, and Milton Collins, Community Development Director, represented the City of Lindsborg during the breakout sessions.

The Hemslojd celebrated their 40th anniversary over the weekend. Mayor Shultz thanked Council President Peterson, his wife, and their staff for all they have done.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Kirsten Bruce moved to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2024, regular Council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5493, and Purchase Order Ordinance 5494. Motion seconded by Councilmember Andrew Smith and passed 8-0 by roll call vote.

APPOINTMENTS:

Mayor Shultz appointed Jayne Daily to the Lindsborg Tree Board and Mikhail Barancik to the Lindsborg Fire Department. There were no objections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Meters

Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) is an integrated-fixed system of electric and water endpoints which allows for two-way communications between the utility and customers. This system was approved in late 2021 and installation of the new electric meters finished in 2022. The water endpoints did not come in until late 2022 and the installation of endpoints is taking more time. The biggest reason for this is the meter lids must have a hole drilled in them so that the new endpoint is on the surface to allow for better communication. The water meters and old radio transmitter are also located in the ground under the meter lid. This takes a lot of additional time because staff is continually getting up and down to make these changes.

As part of the City's AMI project, there were several water meters that needed to be replaced because the existing water meters would not communicate with the new water endpoints. This replacement includes some residential water meters along with some larger meters.

Staff has finished the final inventory of residential meters that need to be replaced and requested a quote for those meters from Core & Main in McPherson. Core & Main is the local supplier for Sensus meters and the reason for just one quote. Staff has an inventory list of the larger meters and is working with our sales representative to find the correct replacement meters which will then be quoted and presented for approval in the future.

A quote for 80- 3/4" and 60- 1" residential water meters needed to finish the upgrade of the residential water meters as part of the AMI upgrade was presented.

Councilmember Andrew Smith moved to approve the quote from Core & Main for the purchase of 80-3/4" & 60-1" water meters for \$31,551.80. Seconded by Councilmember Tanner Corwin and passed 8-0 by roll call vote.

Standard Traffic Ordinance – Ordinance No. 5495

Published by the League of Kansas Municipalities since 1960, the Standard Traffic Ordinance (STO) is an efficient, economical way to regulate traffic laws in Kansas cities. Each year, the League publishes the latest version of the STO Book for Kansas Cities, addressing traffic violations that includes changes/updates after the legislative session.

The following sections were modified in the 51st edition of the STO published in 2024:

- Section 201.1 Amended Failure to Comply with a Traffic Citation
- Section 201.2 Added Failure to Comply with a Traffic Citation

Councilmember Blaine Heble moved to approve Ordinance No. 5495, adopting the Standard Traffic Ordinance Book for 2024. Seconded by Councilmember John Presley and passed 7-1 with Councilmembers Corwin, Presley, Heble, Bruce, Smith, Peterson and Van Der Wege voting aye and Councilmember Swanson voting nay.

Uniform Public Offense Code – Ordinance No. 5496

Published by the League of Kansas Municipalities since 1980, the Uniform Public Offense Code (UPOC) contains approximately 100 public offenses that can be adjudicated in municipal court. While many of the provisions parallel state law, the UPOC also contains offenses that are frequently enforced only within cities.

Each year, the League publishes the latest version of the UPOC Book for Kansas Cities "designed to provide a comprehensive public offense ordinance for cities" that includes changes/updates after the legislative session.

The following sections were modified in the 40th edition of the UPOC published in 2024:

- Section 9.1 Amended Disorderly Conduct
- Section 9.9.1 Amended Unlawful Possession of Marijuana and Tetrahydrocannabinols
- Section 9.9.2 Amended Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Certain Drug Precursors
- Section 9.9.4 Amended Unlawful Possession of Controlled Substances

Councilmember Joshua Swanson moved to table the vote until Council had a chance to review the amendments to the code. Seconded by Blaine Heble. Motion failed to pass with Councilmembers Swanson, Peterson, Smith, and Heble voting to table the item and Councilmembers Van Der Wege, Bruce, Presley, and Corwin voting not to table the item. Mayor Shultz casted the tie-breaking vote to not table the item.

Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege moved to approve Ordinance No. 5496, adopting the Uniform Public Offense Code Book for 2024. Seconded by Councilmember Kirsten Bruce and passed 6-2 with Councilmembers Corwin, Presley, Bruce, Smith, Peterson, and Van Der Wege voting aye and Councilmembers Heble and Swanson voting nay.

League of Kansas Municipalities Voting Delegates

The League of Kansas Municipalities will hold its annual business on Saturday, October 12, 2024, during the annual conference in Wichita, Kansas. K.S.A. Supp. 12-1601f provides that “The governing body of each member city may elect city delegates from among the city’s officers to represent the city in the conduct and management of the affairs of the League of Kansas Municipalities.”

Article 2, Section 2 of the League Bylaws states: “When a city is a member of the League, any elected or appointed officers of such city may be elected by the city governing body as voting delegates and alternate voting delegates, in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of these Bylaws, to represent the city in any meeting of the voting delegates and in the conduct of any other affairs of the instrumentality requiring action of the member cities. Alternate voting delegates may vote on matters before a meeting of the voting delegates in the absence of the regular delegate. A voting delegate or alternate shall qualify by having his or her name, city, title, and address registered with the executive director and shall hold such position while qualified and until a successor is elected and qualified.”

By virtue of our population (3,801), Lindsborg may have two (2) voting delegates and two (2) alternate voting delegates. The League requires notice of voting delegate selections prior to September 20, 2024, for the delegates to participate in the meeting.

City Administrator Kristi Northcutt will attend the League conference on behalf of the City of Lindsborg, and as such, will serve as a voting delegate, pending City Council’s approval. City Clerk Roxie Sjogren will serve as a voting delegate in absentia. Mayor Shultz and Finance Director David Hay would serve as alternates.

Councilmember Rebecca Van Der Wege moved to approve City Administrator Kristi Northcutt and City Clerk Roxie Sjogren as voting delegates to the League of Kansas Municipalities, with Mayor Clark Shultz and Finance Director David Hay serving as alternates. Seconded by Councilmember Blaine Hable and passed 7-1 by voice vote. Councilmembers Van Der Wege, Peterson, Smith, Bruce, Heble, Presley, and Corwin voted aye, and Councilmember Swanson voted nay.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Kirsten Bruce moved for adjournment, seconded by Councilmember Joshua Swanson, and passed 8-0 by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Roxie Sjogren, MMC
City Clerk