

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL
January 7, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

Members Present – Ed Radatz, Rick Martin, David Higbee, Betty Nelson, Blaine Heble, Jodi Duncan & Becky Anderson

Absent- Corey Peterson, Mark Friesen

Others Present – Greg DuMars, Tim Berggren, Beth Ferguson, Holly Lofton, Larry Lindgren, Gary Shogren, Chris Lindholm, Bill Gusenius, Roxie Sjogren, Lucas Neece, Representative Steven Johnson, Dan Carr, Skyler Christians

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Becky Anderson and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Input – None

Amendments to the Agenda – None

Mayor's Report – Happy New Year, thank you to the 150th anniversary committee. It was a great party at the Sundstrom. Check out their website, there are lots of activities, it is going to be a great year for us. A special thanks to Carla Wilson for painting the new Dala horse, Legacy. Things coming up: This Friday is Makers Street, January 17 will be the community prayer breakfast at Bethany Lutheran Church at 7am, January 26 is a new event-, a Swedish Luau. Special welcome to Representative Steven Johnson.

Consent Agenda – Rick Martin moved to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2018 regular council meeting and Payroll Ordinance 5148 & 5149 and Purchase Order Ordinance 5150. Motion seconded by David Higbee and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Appointments – None

Planning & Zoning – No report

Old Business – None

New Business

Dog Park Fence

Fundraising from private sources and proceeds from a successful SVCF grant application now exceed the amount needed to construct a second pen for Dog Park users. The first pen, installed by Dellinger Fence Company, was completed on December 31, and measures 130' x 60'. It currently serves as the only enclosed area for the facility, but the goal of organizers has been to provide at least two separate spaces, for large and small breeds. A quote to install the second pen, 100' x 60', is attached, and will serve as the area for small breeds.

Betty Nelson motioned to approve the addition of \$8,647.00 to the existing contract with Dellinger Fence, to complete Phase 2 of the Scentral Bark Dog Park Fencing project. David Higbee seconded, passed unanimously.

Dog Park Grant Application Support

Organizers for construction of the Scentral Bark Dog Park have prepared a grant application for the next cycle of awards related to the Nutt Fund Grant. Applications are due January 11. The application asks for funding to complete fencing for a 3rd maintenance pen, add 3 shelters with benches similar to existing pause points located on the Välkommen Trail, construct pergolas to provide additional shade, and purchase agility training equipment. The total grant application is for \$52,429.15, reduced by funds received to date from the City of Lindsborg (\$7,500), private donations (\$15,654.09) and a SVCF Grant (\$1,000).

David Higbee motioned to approve the Dog Park's use of the City of Lindsborg as recipient of grant funding for purchase and/or construction of assets related to the Scentral Bark Dog Park Facility. Rick Martin seconded, passed unanimously.

Police Department Software

For several years, the Police Department has looked at records management software programs to replace the existing program. The current program was developed in-house and has no technical support. The prior proposals were well above our price range. The McPherson Sheriff's Office looked at several different software programs and opted for SmartCop. We visited with representatives of SmartCop and with the Sheriff's Office to see if we could "outpost" their new records management system and integrate the systems. This would be the sharing of data between departments and streamline reports. It would also require less data entry for staff and minimize data entry errors. The goal was to find a bare minimum system for under \$15,000.00. We were able to get this system through SmartCop at a cost of \$6,400.00. There is a very large discount in partnering with the Sheriff's Office as a sublicensee. In addition, we would share costs of training as well.

This will require \$1,400 per year in costs for annual maintenance/technical support.

Rick Martin motioned to approve the purchase of SmartCop records management software to include annual maintenance, installation and training at a total cost of \$6,400.00. Ed Radatz seconded, motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

EMS contract-Occunet

Occunet has requested a contract for lower fees for EMS transports and services. Occunet negotiates reduced rates for insurance companies. Occunet is proposing a contract that would reimburse for services at Medicare rates and not at negotiated commercial insurance rates. Currently through November 2018, net revenue for the Ambulance service is \$17,186.87. The average net revenue for December for the past 15 years is -\$14,138.24. Assuming all things remain the same, the net revenue for 2018 would be \$3,048.63.

No action taken.

Convention and Visitor Bureau Brochures

Visitors Guides for the 2019 year to be purchased in a quantity of 10,000. This quantity should last approximately one year.

CVB staff recommends using Mennonite Press as our vendor due to their winning bid, exceptional customer service, and history of service to the CVB and to the City of Lindsborg.

Betty Nelson motioned to approve purchase of 10,000 Visitors Guides from Mennonite Press in the amount of \$3,449.00. Blaine Heble seconded, passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Workers Compensation Insurance

Attached is the renewal quote from KMIT for the 2019 workers compensation insurance. The cost of coverage is driven by the Experience Mod—set at 0.74 for 2019. This is slightly higher than the rate of 0.73 set the prior two years. KMIT also offers a premium discount based upon various criteria affecting the City's safety rating. For 2019, based upon a low experience factor, a 10% discount is being given.

Rick Martin motioned to approve the 2019 KMIT Workers Compensation Insurance in the amount of \$22,675.00. Blaine Heble seconded, passed unanimously by roll call vote.

2019 Contract Lobbyist Fee Encumbrance

November 5, 2018, a contract was approved with Federico Consulting for State Government Relations and Advocacy services from November 2018 through December 31, 2019. The cost of these services is \$2,000 per month and \$4,000 was encumbered for November and December 2018. For 2019, these services will be \$24,000.

Betty Nelson motioned to encumber \$24,000 for governmental relations services with Federico Consulting. David Higbee seconded, passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Executive Session – None

Other – From Greg: Council was provided with a copy of the Kansas Government Journal. Please look at the article on page 302, The Impact of Demand Transfer Losses and page 304, A Shrinking Tax Base.

Adjournment - Moved by David Higbee, seconded by Rick Martin and passed. Adjourned at 7:03p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxie Sjogren
City Clerk