

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEXINGTON CITY COUNCIL

July 14, 2014

The regular meeting of the Lexington City Council was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Alderman Don Revelle in the City Council Chambers at Lexington City Hall.

Motion by Alderman Miller and second by Alderman Phelps to appoint Alderman Don Revelle as Mayor Pro-Tem in the absence of Mayor John Mohr. Motion carried unanimously.

Roll call was taken to find the following physically present: Alderman Cole, Alderman Johansen, Alderman Miller, Alderman Revelle, and Alderman Phelps. Mayor Mohr and Alderman Fosen were absent. Members of the staff and public present were: Melanie Kunkel, Don Cavallini, Lucinda Gresham, Jennifer Wagher, Derek Wagher, Dylan Wagher, and Chase McCumsy.

It was moved by Alderman Johansen and seconded by Alderman Cole to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2014 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Alderman Phelps and seconded by Alderman Miller to approve the treasurer's report and pay bills in the amount of \$149,632.48 with \$116,505.80 payable to Stark for roads in the Trail Ridge subdivision and \$1,463.35 payable to Altorfer for repairs to the city's tractor. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: Lucinda Gresham addressed the council.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Alderman Johansen questioned the Mayor's authority to remove items from the agenda. Alderman Johansen asked that a discussion regarding former Police Chief, Dave Schneider's severance be added to tonight's agenda. It was subsequently removed by the Mayor as the council unanimously voted at the June 13, 2014 meeting to postpone this discussion until the council received a report from the Sheriff's office. Alderman Johansen is asking that this a discussion again be added to the agenda for the next council meeting. Alderman Johansen is asking council members to consider the amount of years Dave has served our community and come to the next meeting with ideas on how much of a severance to give him. Alderman Revelle informed Alderman Johansen that, per Dave's request, he has been paid through the end of June for past vacation and sick days and his medical insurance has been paid through the end of July. Alderman Johansen questioned when the Sheriff's department will be coming forward with a report of their inquiry into the performance of the police department. Alderman Revelle noted that his understanding is that the report is imminent.

Demo Bids for 115 Parkway: Motion by Alderman Cole and second by Alderman Johansen to accept the bid by Dave Leake in the amount of \$8,500 for the demolition of 115 Parkway. Alderman Revelle asked that someone check with Mr. Sloan to confirm whether or not he is going to take the garage. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Mayor: None

Police: Alderman Phelps provided the council with an update regarding the search for a Chief. 23 applications were received and the council narrowed that list down to 6. Interviews will take place July 22, 23, & 24, at the Community Center. Times have not been set. Also received a call from Steve Ross complaining about his neighbor. Alderman Phelps met with Mr. Ross and the garbage cans have been removed and the debris in the tree has been taken down. Alderman Cole questioned who to contact regarding ordinance violations. Alderman Phelps noted that at this point in time, it is up to council members to write up the complaints. Alderman Cole specifically referenced the large trucks using Vermillion as a truck route. Alderman Phelps noted that Alderman Cole should contact the county. Alderman Johansen recommended circulating a note to local businesses asking them to remind their drivers to use the posted truck route. Alderman Johansen agreed to draft the letter and distribute to businesses.

Building/Insurance: Alderman Miller spoke with the city's risk management company about re-evaluating the city's vehicles for insurance purposes.

Finance/TIF: None

Water: None

Sanitation: Alderman Johansen noted that the garbage trucks are tearing up the city streets worse this year than any he's noticed previously.

Streets/Alleys: Alderman Revelle was impressed with the drain work provided by Bill Elias over by the auction house. He noted that with the recent rains, it drained really well.

There being no further business, it was moved by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Phelps to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Kunkel, City Clerk

Approved: 7/14/2014