

Lawton City Council Minutes

May 4, 2010

The Lawton City Council met in Regular session on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at the Lawton City Hall. Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by Mayor Jeff Nitzschke. Council members answering roll: Terry Masching, Don Grigg and Perry Ludwig. Others attending included Public Works Director Lowell Anderson, City Clerk Patricia Washburn, Attorney Glenn Metcalf, Engineer Jerry Steffen, Paul Pirrie, Jason Braunschweig, Tim Bauer, Deb Smith and Doug Lee.

Mayor Nitzschke welcomed guests.

Motion by Grigg, second by Ludwig to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Reed Burson arrived at 5:02 pm.

Motion by Masching, second by Burson to approve Special Events Permit Application for L-B Youth Football Street Dance and Auction on August 20 & 21, 2010. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion continued regarding possibility of Hillside Waterworks Association disbanding and residents of Association purchasing water from City of Lawton. Owner of Char-Mac has concerns about water pressure in fire sprinkler lines if water line is extended to area in question. Pressure will be tested by independent fire agency. Alternatives were discussed.

Rick Schorg arrived at 5:10 pm.

Budget amendment was presented. Motion by Masching, second by Ludwig to hold Public Hearing Tuesday, May 25th, at 5:00 p.m. in order to hear public comment on amendment proposals for fiscal year 2010. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

Citizen complaint against property at 404 E Main St was examined by Council and deemed to be valid. Complaint consisted of piled yard waste and general unkempt yard, potentially becoming home to vermin and rodents in the area. Council directed Clerk to send notice to property owners to abate nuisance or face municipal infraction.

Second citizen complaint against same property regarding water overflow from faulty drainage was deemed private matter and not enforceable by city.

PWD Anderson stated need to upgrade or replace jumping jack ground pounder. Motion by Masching, second by Ludwig to replace unit. Motion carried on roll 5-0. Anderson asked about retaining block around "Welcome" sign west of city. Mayor will discuss with property owner.

Fire Chief has contacted Anderson regarding fire department training on city property near city shed. He requested permission to use pea gravel on lot in area of extrication practice. He also stated need to do grain bin training. Council approved use of city property for training, but asked glass be removed from vehicles prior to extrication exercise.

Building permits have been approved for the following: 115 West Creek Dr., fence and dog run; 171 West Creek Dr., dwelling; 401 Elm, chain link fence; 116 Cedar, shed and sidewalk; 170 West Creek Dr., dwelling; 406 E Main St, portable shed.

Clerk Washburn attended Spring IMFOA in Des Moines in April. Stated sessions were very informative.

Mayor discussed need to order equipment to replace McCormick tractor that will be sold. Motion by Ludwig, second by Grigg to order Toolcat and accessories at cost under \$40,000. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

Motion by Schorg, second by Burson to adopt resolutions and to authorize publication of intent to sell the following: **Resolution #2010-06, McCormick Tractor and accessories; Resolution #2010-07, 1977 Fire Truck; Resolution #2010-08 Generator; Resolution #2010-09 Fire Ladders.** The intent to sell such items will be proposed at a Public Hearing to be held at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, May 25, 2010. Said Public Hearing will be held at the Lawton City Hall, 101 E Maple St, Lawton, Iowa. The City proposes to accept sealed bids for each item until 5:00 p.m. on July 6, 2010. The McCormick tractor will be sold with \$8,500 reserve. The 1977 fire truck will be sold with \$1,200 reserve. The generator and fire ladders will be sold with no reserve. Complete text of resolutions and public hearing notices are on file at City Hall for inspection. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

Schorg informed Council new fire truck is here, but has not been placed into service yet. Schorg also stated Fire Chief Lahrs will sign off on the Comprehensive Safety Manual stating the manuals were presented to each fireman on the roster. This is according to directive of agent Pat Rogers.

Motion by Grigg, second by Ludwig, to approve Consent Agenda consisting of April 6, 2010 minutes and April financial statements including disbursements of \$69,231.95. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

With no further business to come before the meeting, meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

REVENUES BY FUND

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Interest Earned	3,185.80		
TIF	22,272.25	TIF-West Creek	24.60
General	63,980.21	General	45,722.97
Road Use Tax	4,835.98	Road Use Tax	3,002.77
Local Option Sales Tax	5,458.31	Local Option Sales Tax	0.00
Water	11,407.54	Water	7,339.52
Sewer	3,582.89	Sewer	3,065.47
Garbage	4,924.28	Garbage	9,155.85
Fire Revenue	1,015.88	Fire Disbursements	920.77
TOTAL REVENUE	120,663.14	APR. DISBURSEMENTS	69,231.95

WARRANTS APPROVED

ACCO, chlorine supplies	1313.15
CHN Garbage	2863.99
US Postal Service, 2,000 envelopes	1060.60
USA BlueBook, tubing	216.76
Intuit, monthly backup	4.95
Toyne, Inc., fire truck pmt	39078.50
Staples, toner	112.19
USPS, Toyne overnight mail	20.60
City of Lawton, utilities	43.00
Ed M Feld, helmet, misc	378.47
Lawton Pronto, fuel	240.40
Western IA Telephone	283.69
Bomgaars, repairs	36.45
MidAmerican Energy	1685.79
S&S Equip., tractor repairs	2729.01
Perkins Restaurant, Des Moines	11.50
Staples, batteries, file box	23.98
Aflac, employee contrib	80.50
EFTPS, Fed, Med, SS	2626.28
IPERS, contrib	1079.75
Adam Benson, deposit refund	100.00
Batteries Plus, batteries water plant	230.00
CHN Garbage	2863.99
Dakota Supply Group, 6 meters, etc	671.02
Siouxland Med. Ed. Foundation, physical	124.10
Menards, misc. supplies	226.48
Metcalf Law Office, legal fees	224.60
Nitzschke Construction, rent & labor	480.00
Woodbury Co. Landfill, 2nd qtr.	3397.87

SIGNED BY: _____
 Patricia L Washburn, City Clerk