

Lawton City Council Minutes

April 3, 2012

The Lawton City Council met in Regular session on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, 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, Rick Schorg, Perry Ludwig, and Reed Burson. Others attending included Water Superintendent Mark Vault, City Clerk Patricia Washburn, Attorney Glenn Metcalf, City Engineer Jerry Steffen, Movable Record Editor Kent Baker, Novak Sanitary Service representatives Butch Hanssen and Bill Gould, C.H.N. Garbage Service owner Rollie Clark and Western Disposal owner/manager Ron Davis.

Motion by Grigg, second by Masching, to approve agenda. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

Mayor Nitzschke welcomed guests.

Sealed bids for upcoming two-year garbage contract were opened by Attorney Metcalf. Bids were received from C.H.N. Garbage Service, Novak Sanitary Service and Western Disposal. Council will take bids under advisement and reach a decision no later than the May meeting.

Motion by Schorg, second by Burson to pay Steffen Engineering pay request of \$4,036.00 for additional work on 2011 Lift Station Project. Motion carried 5-0.

Council reviewed section of City Code as presented.

Junk vehicles were again discussed. Mayor Nitzschke and Attorney Metcalf will contact owners to find solution to problem.

Attorney gave short report on Urban Renewal Low to Moderate Income Plan for City. City will contact neighboring Community Development Operations Manager to see if he can provide additional details on establishing and moving forward with such plan.

Council discussed notification from Md7 to amend current lease with AT&T Wireless. After discussing matter with Attorney Metcalf, Council agreed to decline any changes to current lease.

Clerk stated need to amend current city budget to allow for cash transfers from Local Option Sales Tax Fund into the Sewer Revenue Fund to pay for 2011 Lift Station Project. Clerk will also verify other budget figures to assure no overspending will occur. Motion by Masching, second by Ludwig to set Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2012 City Budget Amendment to be held May 1, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

Water Superintendent Vault questioned plans for generator that was removed from old lift station. Council directed Vault to get specifics on it and have Steffen investigate if it could serve as a back-up for the water treatment plant. Decision will be made at May meeting how to proceed.

Council discussed abusive pattern of some individuals regarding the usage of the city tree pile and the dumpster at the city maintenance garage. Council was in agreement that a video camera should be installed to assist in identifying those in violation of the rules posted.

Building permits were approved for the following: 204 Ash, extend privacy fence; 323 E Main St., deck and porch.

Clerk Washburn reported \$1,000.00 MidAmerican Energy Trees Please! Grant has been received.

Clerk informed Council of resident misusing new recycle cart. Truck driver stated boards, grass clippings and a metal mail box were found inside cart. Items were left at residence. Clerk contacted resident to explain these items were not allowed.

Council discussed payment on delinquent utility account from former residents. After brief discussion, motion by Burson, second by Ludwig, to accept payment as presented. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

Attorney Metcalf stated he had met with a West Birch Street resident's Counsel regarding implied water drainage issues. Council took comments under advisement.

Motion by Schorg, second by Grigg, to approve Consent Agenda consisting of March 6, 2012, minutes, March 2012 disbursements of \$56,105.05, financial statements from March, 2012 and approval of **Resolution #2012-07 transferring \$100,000 from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund into the sewer revenue fund for the purpose of partial funding on the 2011 Sewer Lift station Replacement Project.** Complete text of Resolution on file at City Hall. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

With no further business to come before the meeting, meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

REVENUES BY FUND

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Interest Earned	391.29		
TIF	2,135.70	TIF-West Creek	-
General	7,366.77	General	18,159.41
Road Use Tax	8,165.99	Road Use Tax	4,919.11
Local Option Sales Tax	7,865.97	Local Option Sales Tax	-
Water	13,573.70	Water	5,345.88
Sewer	3,097.33	Sewer	2,930.68
Garbage	4,784.25	Garbage	18,955.13
Fire Revenue	4.19	Fire Disbursements	5,794.84
TOTAL REVENUE	47,385.19	MAR. DISBURSEMENTS	56,105.05

WARRANTS APPROVED

City of Sergeant Bluff, salt/sand	378.00
Ed M Field, Inc., sensor, Solaris	203.50
Menards, shop supplies	74.45
Metro Print and Copy, incident reports	32.50
CHN Garbage Service	3094.13
City of Lawton, utilities	51.67
Metcalf Law Office, legal fees	100.00
Siouxland Humane Society, fee	35.00
WITA, telephone	322.30
Staples, paper	87.98
Lawton Pronto, fuel	742.70
IMFOA., Spring Conf.	100.00
Tri-State Electronic, PC backup repairs	80.00
WITCC, FD training	615.00
Hunzelman, Putzier & Co., final audit bill	200.00
ICAP, ins. Premium	14316.10
Otto Env.I Systems, 300 recycling carts	15820.00
Central Iowa Dist., orange float, misc.	389.00
Certified Testing, cylinders	40.00
Ed M Field, Inc., sensor, fittings	281.50
Grainger, supplies	32.16
Matheson Tri-Gas, oxygen	25.45
Toyne, Inc., repairs	47.05
Bomgaars, batteries	11.94
Colonial Research Chem., supplies	289.47
Ed M Feld Equip., fire supplies	698.95
Iowa DNR, Mark Vault testing WW1	30.00
MidAmerican Energy	1929.11
O'Reilly Auto. ,hand cleaner, wax	31.48
Anderson Heat & Cool, AC for Friend. Ctr.	2140.00
Patricia Washburn, reim. Exp. Statement	27.20
WITCC, FD training	225.00
Employee Compensation	6824.51
EFTPS, Fed, Med, SS	2090.56
IPERS, retirement	1231.64
Aflac, employee contrib	32.30
Iowa Dept. of Rev., withholding tax	1124.00
Iowa Dept. of Rev., sales tax	2260.00
USPS, stamps	90.40
MARCH DISBURSEMENTS	56105.05

ATTESTED BY: _____
 Patricia L Washburn, City Clerk