

# Lawton City Council Minutes

**November 6, 2012**

The Lawton City Council met in Regular session on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, at the Lawton City Hall. Meeting called to order at 5:03 pm by Mayor Jeff Nitzschke. Council members answering roll: Rick Schorg, Reed Burson, Terry Masching, Don Grigg and Perry Ludwig. Others attending included Public Works Director Mark Vault, City Clerk Patricia Washburn, Kevin Heiss, Mark Nicolls and Judy Meyer-Ogden. Attorney Metcalf arrived at 5:20 pm.

Motion by Masching, second by Grigg, to approve tentative agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

The Mayor called attention to the need to consider renaming a platted street in the City of Lawton. A general discussion followed. Thereafter, Councilman Rick Schorg introduced and caused to be read the following Proposed Ordinance: **ORDINANCE NO. 2012-003, AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ADOPTING A CHANGE OF NAME OF HEIDI'S TRAIL FOUND IN SHORMAN SUBDIVISION, FIRST FILING.**

WHEREAS, the City of Lawton has a platted street, Heidi's Trail, which is found in Shorman Subdivision, First Filing, a Part of Lot 4 of Main's Addition to the City of Lawton, Woodbury County, Iowa, AND, WHEREAS a request has been made to rename said Street as Buckeye Circle, AND WHEREAS, the City does hereby find no reason not to rename said Street to Buckeye Circle, a Part of Shorman Subdivision, First Filing, as fully set out above.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The name of Heidi's Trail is hereby changed to Buckeye Circle, a Part of Shorman Subdivision, First Filing, a Part of Lot 4 of Main's Addition to the City of Lawton, Woodbury County, Iowa.
  2. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall be effective after publication but not before December 1, 2012.
  3. PUBLICATION: The clerk is directed to publish this ordinance as required by law after passage.
- Councilman Reed Burson seconded the motion and, the question being put and the roll being called, the following councilmen voted AYE: Schorg, Burson, Masching, Grigg. Voting NAY: Ludwig. Motion carried on roll 4-1.

## **RESOLUTION #2012-14 DISPENSING WITH RULE REQUIRING THREE READINGS OF ORDINANCE OR AMENDMENT THERETO BEFORE ADOPTION**

Be it resolved that the amendment / ordinance introduced by Councilman Rick Schorg entitled "AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ADOPTING A CHANGE OF NAME OF HEIDI'S TRAIL FOUND IN SHORMAN SUBDIVISION, FIRST FILING" be considered and that the rule requiring that the amendment be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed as set out in Section 380.3, Code of Iowa, be suspended by vote of this council. Councilman Terry Masching seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, and, upon the question being put and the roll being called, the following councilmen voted AYE: Schorg, Burson, Masching, Grigg. Voting NAY: Ludwig. Motion carried 4-1. Whereupon the Mayor declared the resolution to be adopted.

Thereafter the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ADOPTING A CHANGE OF NAME OF HEIDI'S TRAIL FOUND IN SHORMAN SUBDIVISION, FIRST FILING" set out above, was again read and Councilman Terry Masching moved the adoption of the ordinance. Councilman Rick Schorg seconded the motion and, the question being put and the roll being called, the following councilmen voted AYE: Schorg, Burson, Masching, Grigg. Voting NAY: Ludwig. Motion carried 4-1. The Mayor declared the motion to adopt to have passed, and the ordinance to have been adopted. He then approved and signed the ordinance.

Motion by Masching, second by Grigg, to give final approval of Char-Mac Subdivision Plat with additional location detailed on map. Motion carried on roll 5-0.

Judi Meyer-Ogden reviewed housing program documents with Council. Motion by Burson, second by Masching, to give SIMPCO approval of Housing Program Brochures and Documents with minor corrections as noted. Motion also included approval of SIMPCO pay request of \$5,000.00 for program start-up fees. Motion carried on roll 5-0. Press Release will be submitted to Merville Record for publication. Brochures will be included in December city water bills. An Open House will be set early in 2013 to introduce program to residents.

Mark Nicolls was present representing the Fire Department. He informed Council of numerous thefts of fire equipment in neighboring cities and counties.

No corrections or changes were made while reviewing Sections 6-6 through 6-8 of the City Code.

Request to allow diagonal parking on north side of West Maple Street near Ash Street was denied. West Maple Street is narrower in that location than it is further east in that same block. Council cited visibility concerns and lack of sufficient turning area for larger vehicles if diagonal parking were introduced into the area.

Public Works Director Mark Vault reported we are still waiting for repairs on sewer meter. Contractor has removed bad display, but has not contacted City with updates on situation.

Water main and hydrant have been relocated on Heidi's Trail as requested by property owner.

Vaul informed Council the Public Works department has been locating curb stops in the city. During the winter months they plan to map curb stops to bring city records current.

No building permits were approved during October.

Attorney updated Council on status of contract litigation. Attorney also stated dog complaints have not yet been attended to.

Motion by Ludwig, second by Grigg, to approve Consent Agenda consisting of October 2, 2012, minutes, October 2012 disbursements of \$34,174.13, financial statement from October, 2012, Urban Renewal Report for FY2012, and Annual Financial Report for FY2012. Motion carried 5-0.

Grigg stated he would like to purchase two picnic tables to be set in City parks. Clerk will place order.

Regarding Christmas Light Contest, Schorg asked that monetary awards be set at \$100, \$50 and \$25. Motion seconded by Burson. Motion carried 4-1 with Ludwig dissenting.

With no further business to come before the meeting, meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

**REVENUES BY FUND**

**DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND**

Interest Earned	1,178.99	TIF-West Creek	-
TIF	3,644.20	Local Option Sales Tax	-
Local Option Sales Tax	8,753.59	General	6,722.32
General	67,379.50	Road Use Tax	2,877.10
Road Use Tax	7,014.43	Water	12,443.51
Water	20,266.51	Sewer	1,988.36
Sewer	3,109.24	Garbage	8,547.67
Garbage	5,222.74	Fire Disbursements	1,595.17
Fire Revenue	45.33		
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>116,614.53</b>	<b>OCT. DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>34,174.13</b>

**WARRANTS APPROVED**

Acco, 6" ck valve inj. assy.	62.35
Batteries Plus, batteries	131.76
Central IA Dist., case disp. Towels	69.80
City of Lawton, utilities	59.59
Colonial Research Chem. Corp, disc. Wipes	108.91
Earl May, trees	984.25
IDNR, water use fee	66.00
IDNR, construction permit	100.00
Darrell Jensen, labor	405.00
Mike Ketelsen, labor	108.00
Novak Sanitary Serv., garbage contract	4550.20
Stan Houston Equip., pothole patch, flags	89.00
Staples, paper shredder	149.99
Electronic Engineering, install antennae	103.25
Lawton Pronto, fuel, misc	1219.11
LP Gill, Inc., 4th Qtr landfill ass't	3997.47
Menard's, misc supplies	100.55
Moville Record, publications	559.64
O'Reilly Automotive, supplies	18.00
Triple D Contracting, labor	285.00
Western IA Tele., September	301.05
Michelle Kelly, ass't. int. ref.	162.00
Iowa League of Cities, Budget Workshop	30.00
Staples, all-in-one printer	244.46
Perkins, IMFOA meal	12.59
Harbor Freight Tools, sockets, wrenches, pliers	49.97
Automatic Systems Co., 15hp motor	6870.00
Bomgaars, fencing, misc.	722.24
IA Workforce Dev., UI Claim	1335.00
MidAmerican Energy, October	1730.01
O'Reilly Automotive, supplies	100.47
Sooland Bobcat, belt	36.67
Triple D Contracting, labor	213.75
Employee Compensation	5988.75
Aflac, employee contrib	32.30
EFTPS, Fed, Med, SS	1983.88
IPERS, retirement	1193.12
<b>OCTOBER DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>34174.13</b>

ATTESTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Patricia L Washburn, City Clerk