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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 25, 2023

Council Present: Councilors: Diane Hyde, Amy Watts & Mayor Lloyd Valentine

Council Absent: Jessica Ritchie, Mike Wagner

Employees Present: PW Richard Berkey, Librarian Roxy Wilcox, & CM Micki Valentine

Public Present:

Opened w/pledge: @ 6:34 pm

Roll Call: taken

Announcements (Additions to Agenda/Conflict of Interest/Ex-Parte/Bias):

- Bills Paid report was added.
- No Conflicts of Interest/Ex-Parte/Bias were declared.

Presentations: none

Public Comment: none

Sheriff's Report: The March report was reviewed. Wilcox mentions accidental alarm of the key fob.

Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes March 28, 2023, and Bills Paid March 28, 2023 – April 25, 2023. *Councilor Hyde motioned to approve – Councilor Watts second – All in favor – none opposed – motion carried.*

Public Hearings: None

Unfinished Business:

- American Rescue Plan – reviewed the revised park plan and picnic shelter plan. They approve of the plans.
 - City Hall generator contractor selection tabled to next meeting.
- Budget Discussion – minimum wage rate increasing to \$14.20 per hour effective July 1st. Will budget for the same percentage increase for all employees. Council may adjust at a later date. A wage increase is tabled until all councilors are present.
- Pole Decorations – Pacific Power is willing to change out the banners either twice a year or four times a year. Tabled until all councilors are present.
- Ordinance 254-2023 Amending Title 10 Vehicles and Traffic of the LMC – This ordinance will restrict truck parking along both sides of 13th Street from Main Street north to the city limits. Mayor Valentine reads the ordinance by title only. Council discussed. The ordinance will become effective in 30 days and signs will be installed at

that time. Mayor Valentine reads a second time by title only. *Councilor Hyde motioned to adopt – Councilor Watts second – all in favor – none opposed – adopted.*

New Business:

- Scholarship Selection – the council reviewed the applications. *Councilor Watts motioned to present scholarships to both applicants – Councilor Hyde seconded – all in favor – none opposed – motion carried.*
- Generator Replacement – Public Works needs to replace their current generator as it is no longer operating properly. The cost is estimated to be \$5,000. *Councilor Watts motion to approve – councilor Hyde seconded – all in favor – none opposed – motion carried.*

Correspondence:

- Information provided concerning Rural Liability Protection for Safe Resting Places: SB 847-5. This is a program encouraging cities to establish shelter & services for the homeless community. Due to our limited capacity to provide homeless services, we rely on Linn County to address and provide these services. It is a possibility that Linn County could set something up at John Neal Park, as they did for the wildfire victims.

Librarian Report: Librarian Wilcox provides the report. They continue to work on the weeding project. New signage has been placed. She appreciates the help by Richard & Jerry, with lowering the bookshelves.

City Manager Report: CM Valentine gave report. Public Works – Jerry Faber is back for the season. Catch basins were inspected and more detail recorded in the TMDL records. The playground equipment was inspected. The street signs at the corner of Cedar & 3rd Street were replaced. Two incidents of vandalism of the porta-pots. Cemetery – one plot sold, arborvitaes were trimmed, and one burial coming up this week. Library - electrician wired for the check-out kiosk and installed two dimmer switches. Met with the structural engineer to review ADA improvements – waiting for report. No contractors responded to the RFQ for remodeling the library restrooms. The library has been awarded a grant to go towards the restroom remodel. Office – 3 permits were issued. LGIP interest rate unchanged at 3.75%. Cedar Street pavement repair discussed. American Rescue Plan annual report submitted. Discussed purchasing and displaying photos by local photographers. Reminders of the upcoming budget committee meeting, citywide clean-up day, Valentine vacation, and summer sun sale.

Planning Commission Report: The agenda and minutes of the April 4th meeting are provided. The subdivision code will be presented to the council after Kinney completes it.

Financial Reports: No questions were asked.

Commissioner Report/Councilor Questions/Comments:

- Mayor Valentine, Cemetery – The cemetery looks good after the trimming of bushes.
- Councilor Ritchie, Library – Not present.
- Councilor Wagner, Building Improvements – Not present.
- Councilor Hyde, Police/Safety – No comments to add.
- Councilor Watts, Transportation, Parks & Recreation – No comments to add.

Executive Session: none

Requests – Councilor Requests/Future Agenda Items/Announcements:

- none

Next Meeting: May 2nd, 2023 @ 6:30 pm Budget Committee Meeting – Lyons City Hall
May 23rd, 2023 @ 6:30 pm Regular Council Meeting – Lyons City Hall

Adjourned @ 7:25 pm

Summarized by CM Valentine