



# CITY OF LYONS

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## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 27, 2024

**Council Present:** Councilors: Diane Hyde, Mike Wagner, Amy Thrasher & Mayor Lloyd Valentine

**Council Absent:** Councilor Jessica Ritchie

**Employees Present:** PW Richard Berkey, CM Micki Valentine

**Public Present:** LCSO Lt. Brian Hardy

**Opened w/pledge:** @ 6:31 pm

**Roll Call:** Taken

**Announcements (Additions to Agenda/Conflict of Interest/Ex-Parte/Bias):** none

**Presentations:** Mayor Valentine presents public works employee, Richard Berkey, with a 10-year appreciation certificate.

**Public Comment:** none

**Sheriff's Report:** LCSO Lt. Brian Hardy presented the quarterly report and responded to questions.

**Consent Agenda:** Mayor Valentine asked for council approval to sign checks due to Pro Tem Ritchie being absent. *Councilor Hyde motioned to approve – Councilor Thrasher second – Wagner, Hyde, Thrasher in favor – Valentine abstained – approved.*

Council Meeting Minutes July 23, 2024 and Bills Paid July 24 2024 – August 27, 2024.

*Councilor Thrasher motioned to approve – Councilor Hyde second – All in favor – none opposed – approved.*

**Public Comment:** none

**Public Hearings:** none

### Unfinished Business:

- **Linn County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Survey** – Update on progress. Currently they are seeking community input with a survey. A copy of the survey is provided. Information including a link to the survey is on our website and is posted on the City's Facebook page. Flyers will be placed on bulletin boards in town. Wagner recommends placing on the electronic readerboard. He also suggests distributing it through Mari-Linn School when school starts back up.

**New Business:**

- **Cemetery Fire** – After a tree was cut down and the company left the cemetery, a fire broke out. The Lyons RFPD responded and was able to put the fire out quickly. The ODF “Tombstone Fire” report was reviewed. They determined that the fire was started from the use of a power saw. The grass was dry. The fire burnt about 8 feet of grass around the stump, and some wood rounds. No other damage. The Lyons RFPD said the fire was minimal due to the grass being cut short.
- **SCTC/PTC Letter** – Letter informing that they will no longer be providing IT services after February 2025. They assist with computer issues and provide anti-virus protection.
- **FEMA Floodplain Requirement Changes** – This change will affect the 100-year floodplain areas. No new development can be made. We will be required to update our code. More information is needed. Dave Kinney has been made aware and he will review the changes.

**Correspondence:**

- none

**Library Director Report:** The report was reviewed.

**City Manager Report:** CM Valentine gave the report. Catch basins have been inspected and cleaned-out. Held the safety meeting with public works at the shop, report reviewed. Faber asked about extinguishers. Valley Fire recommended an ABC extinguisher be mounted to each mower and a water extinguisher mounted in each utility trailer. They have been ordered. Heat safety and lifting were the training subjects. Wood piles are nearly gone – first come, first served. Street crack-filling is expected to begin in September. One cremains burial and one casket burial. Some damage to concrete bases was noted. Alana Wood was hired as the Library Aide. She is already comfortable working alone and filling in when needed. Roxy has reported that Alana is a quick learner and is doing great. Permits issued for one new home, one remodel, and one shop. Election update – Wagner and Hyde have filed for their councilor positions. No one has filed for the mayor’s position. Write-ins will be reviewed. If the write-in candidate with the most votes qualifies, then they will win the seat. If that person doesn’t qualify or declines the position, the seat will be declared vacant. After January 1<sup>st</sup>, the new council will appoint one of the councilors to the mayor’s position. Then that vacant councilor seat will be filled by appointment of an interested community member. The College of Forestry and Oregon State University have created a Wildfire Hazard Map. They have rated every property lot as low, moderate, or high risk for wildfires. Complaints reviewed.

**Planning Commission Report:** Nothing to report.

**Financial Reports:** No questions were asked.

**Commissioner Report/Councilor Questions/Comments:**

- Mayor Valentine, Cemetery – No comments to add.
- Councilor Ritchie, Library – Not present.
- Councilor Wagner, Building Improvements – No comments to add.
- Councilor Hyde, Police/Safety – Community Service referrals are not showing up.
- Councilor Thrasher, Transportation, Parks & Recreation – No comments to add.

**Executive Session:** None

**Requests – Councilor Requests/Future Agenda Items/Announcements:**

- none

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, September 24, 2024 @ 6:30 pm Regular Council Meeting – Lyons City Hall

Adjourned @ 7:29 pm

Summarized by CM Valentine