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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 29, 2026

Council Present: Councilors: Diane Hyde, Jessica Ritchie, Amy Thrasher, Eric Gjonnes, & Mayor Mike Wagner

Council Absent:

Employees Present: PW Richard Berkey, Lib. Dir. Michele Ray, PW Jerry Faber, CM Micki Valentine

Public Present: Brenda Harris

Opened w/pledge: @ 6:31 pm by Mayor Mike Wagner

Roll Call: Taken

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

Presentations: none

Public Comment: none

Sheriff's Report: Monthly report provided for review.

Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes August 25, 2026; Bills Paid August 26, 2026 – September 29, 2026. *Councilor Thrasher motioned to approve – Ritchie second – Wagner, Gjonnes, Hyde, Ritchie, & Thrasher in favor – none opposed – approved.*

Public Hearings: none

Unfinished Business:

- **Safe Routes to School Update** – Civil West is fine-tuning the design, should be ready this week. They will need to improve the driveway approach to the Thrasher property to meet current ODOT standards.
- **Election Update** – Election procedures provided. Considering purchasing a ballot drop box with a purchase price of \$2,809.55. Linn County Clerk will need to approve the location.
- **Cemetery Fence Update** – The fence has been installed. The project took a little longer than expected and there was an increase in price for the brush removal.

New Business:

- **Library Board Appointment** – The Library Board recommends appointing Brenda Harris to the library board to fill the vacancy. *Councilor Ritchie motions to appoint*

Brenda Harris to the Library Board – Thrasher seconds – Gjonnes, Hyde, Wagner, Thrasher, & Ritchie in favor – none opposed – approved.

- **Resolution 641-2026 Emergency Operations Plan Update** – The Lyons Emergency Operations Plan has been reviewed. The plan was made available electronically. There were few changes needed. It was updated with current date, names & titles of individuals and businesses. *Councilor Hyde motions to adopt – Ritchie seconds – Thrasher, Wagner, Gjonnes, Ritchie, & Hyde in favor – none opposed – approved.*
- **Resolution 642-2026 Approve Salem Seal Coating Proposal** – Salem Seal Coating has provided a proposal to perform street repairs on Ash St, 8th Street, and crackfill 6th Street between Main St. & Ash Street in the amount of \$7,667.09. *Councilor Ritchie motions to approved Salem Seal Coating proposal of \$7,667.09 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$10,000 – Hyde seconds – Wagner, Gjonnes, Thrasher, Hyde, & Ritchie in favor – none opposed – approved.*

Correspondence:

- none

Library Director Report: Library Director, Michele Ray, provides the library report.

City Manager Report: CM Valentine provides report. Waiting for Groundbreaking Excavation to schedule the Freres Park project. Linn County Road Department denied request for assistance with road repairs. Stop sign knocked over – public works repaired it. For the cemetery, there was one burial, two headstones placed, and one plot purchased. The two window shades have been installed at the library. There were four mechanical permits issued for heating/AC replacements. The LGIP interest rate increased to 4.10%. Worked on updates for Wilderness Meadows, the subdivision ordinance, Emergency Operations Plan, and the TMDL for DEQ. Complaint report reviewed. The vault toilet continues to have issues of people making messes.

Planning Commission Report: A meeting has been scheduled for October 28th. This will be to review the changes to the Subdivision ordinance. Two planning commission members terms are expiring.

Financial Reports: Reports were available for review. No questions or comments.

Mayor/Council – Questions, Comments, Commissioner Reports:

- Mayor Mike Wagner, Building Impr., Utility, Police/Safety – Nothing more to add.
- Councilor Jessica Ritchie, Library – Would like to see the floor project in the Children's section move forward. She would also like to see ADA access to basement. Will consider the floor project in the next fiscal year. The access project is likely several years down the road.
- Councilor Diane Hyde, Transportation – Glad to see that road repairs are being done.
- Councilor Amy Thrasher, Cemetery – The new cemetery fence looks great.
- Councilor Eric Gjonnes, Parks & Recreation – Looking forward to when the new trail project can get started. Councilor Hyde mentioned that a resident suggested that we start a Friends of the Park group.

Executive Session: none

Requests – Councilor Requests/Future Agenda Items/Announcements: none

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 27, 2026, Regular Council Meeting at 6:30 pm.

Adjourned @ 7:10 pm

Summarized by CM Valentine