



CITY OF LYONS

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The City of Lyons
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2020
6:00 PM
201 West Main Lyons KS
ZOOM #4

The Lyons City Council met in regular session Monday May 18, 2020 at 6:00 PM opening with the invocation given by Caleb Barrow. Mayor Garlan Old presided over the meeting. Council Members participating were Leanna Payne, Rocky Gaines, Cecil Burdette, Fred Long, Larry Walker and Doug Higgins and Marshall Christmann. Council Member Ron Harkrader was not attending. Staff present were City Administrator Chad Buckley, City Clerk Rebecca Schechter, City Attorney Mark Tremaine and CDC Audree Aguilera, Sandy Taverner HR, Brandon Cantrell City Inspector, Justin Holliday Chief of Police.

Approval of Agenda: Addition to agenda G. Mowing at the Industrial Park and H. Opening of Playgrounds.

Council Member Leanna Payne moved to approve the agenda and Council Member Rocky Gaines seconded the motion and carried with an all yes Roll Call vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes

Leanna Payne Yes
Cecil Burdette Yes
Ron Harkrader Absent
Marshall Christmann Yes

Minutes – approval

Motion: Approve minutes as presented or approve minutes with changes.

Council Member Rocky Gaines moved to approve the minutes from May 4, 2020 with changes and Council Member Doug Higgins seconded the motion and carried by an all yes Roll Call vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes

Leanna Payne Yes
Cecil Burdette Yes
Ron Harkrader Absent

Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes

Marshall Christmann Yes

Appropriations: Approved per ordinance #1977 in the amount \$30,541.16.

Citizens Comments: None.

Public Notices:

- a. Compost Facility permits are now on sale for the 2020 season
- b. Dog tags are also available at City Hall
- c. Municipal Court schedule for April 23rd has been postponed until May 28th.
- d. July 31st to Aug 1st LKM Mayors Conference/Governing Body.

Presentations:

Justin Holliday – Police Department: Justin reported the cases have increased by 12 for a yearly total of 166 and there were 18 citations for a total of 201 from May 5, 2020 until May 18, 2020.

Brandon Cantrell – City Inspector report: Brandon reported there was one violation, 32 weed notices with 25 complying. The City will mow 7 locations when time allows. There were 14 building permit applications with 11 approved and 2 pending for a value of \$86,744.00. There was no new information on the Bolton Building. With the office not open to the public due to the pandemic Brandon has been helping do applications on line.

Mayor, City Administrator Report and City Attorney Reports:

Mayor: Phase 1.5 of Rice County reopening from Marci Detmer, Rice County Health Department.

City Administrator: Chad Buckley.

- a. Currently the Courthouse is experiencing issues with the sanitary sewer service to the building. The sewer line is estimated to be very old as there was never a main sewer line built to serve any building around the square along East Avenue South, West Avenue South, Main or Commercial. Each of the downtown buildings is served by a sewer main behind each. Walton Plumbing has worked to clean the existing line but the age, condition and slope of the 4" sewer service is still backing up. In my experience the distance that a customer should maintain a sanitary sewer should be reasonable. As you can observe from the slide the courthouse maintains a line that is 637' long. While most building owners downtown at most cross a street or alley to connect to sewer. It appears that the right thing to do is for the City to extend a sanitary sewer main from the alley to West Avenue South. At the County Commission meeting this morning the Commissioners were planning to bury a new sewer to the courthouse if the City would build a main to the corner. A number of issues that will come up with

a sewer project that I need to review revolve around the difference in the requirements of the City of Lyons by KDHE. Municipal mains have a minimum size, this main will need to be a minimum of 8" in diameter. Mains can not make a turn of more than just a few degrees with out a manhole. This means we will make sure we will only need two, one at each end. We will also try to maintain as much brick as possible however the areas around the manholes will have a concrete pad poured around the project area.

- b. An interview was conducted for the position of Utility Supervisor last week. However, the individual declined our offer.
- c. Audree Aguilera has presented her resignation as the Community Development coordinator for the City of Lyons. Last week she graduated from Wichita State University with a Masters in Public Administration. Good luck in the future.

Committee reports:

- a. Airport Advisory Agenda: There is a grant application for \$20,000.00 for maintenance and upgrades to the airport. There are no definite plans for the funds but there are plenty of items for possible improvements.

New Business Items for Approval:

- a. Appointment for Council Member Ward 3 Melody Adams. Council Member Rocky Gains moved to approve the appointment of Melody Adams to the City Council to fill the remaining term vacated by Ron Harkrader for Ward 3 and Council Member Cecil Burdette seconded the motion and carried with an all yes Roll Call vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes

Leanna Payne Yes
Cecil Burdette Yes
Ron Harkrader absent
Marshall Christmann Yes

- b. ALP/Agreement with Kirkham Michael. Council Member Dou Higgins moved to approve the ALP/Agreement with Kirkham Michael and Council Member Larry Walker seconded the motion the roll call vote was taken which passed with eight yes votes.

Roll Call Vote:

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes

Leanna Payne Yes
Cecil Burdette Yes
Melody Adams Yes
Marshall Christmann Yes

- c. Cares Act Grant Application. Council Member Leanna Payne moved to approve the Cares Act Grant application for \$20,000.00 for our Airport only and Council

Member Rocky Gaines seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken which passed with eight yes votes.

Roll Call Vote:

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes	Leanna Payne Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes	Cecil Burdette Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes	Melody Adams Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes	Marshall Christmann Yes

d. Recommended Library Assistance. Council Member Marshall Christmann moved to approve the library assistance by suspending utility and rent charges through 2020 and Council Member Doug Higgins seconded the motion and carried by an all yes Roll Call Vote:

Roll Call Vote.

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes	Leanna Payne Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes	Cecil Burdette Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes	Melody Adams Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes	Marshall Christmann Yes

e. Risk Assessor for CDBG, does housing grants, rehabilitation for housing, inspections and demolitions. Council Member Doug Higgins moved to approve CDBG as the Risk Assessor for housing grants for the City of Lyons and Council Member Cecil Burdette seconded the motion and carried by an all yes Roll Call vote.

Roll Call Vote.

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes	Leanna Payne Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes	Cecil Burdette Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes	Melody Adams Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes	Marshall Christmann Yes

f. Tyree Ag Agreement – removed

g. Mowing Industrial Park. Council Member Leanna Payne moved to find someone to mow the Industrial Park for the City of Lyons and Council Member Doug Higgins seconded the motion and carried by an all yes Roll Call Vote.

Roll Call Vote.

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes	Leanna Payne Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes	Cecil Burdette Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes	Melody Adams Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes	Marshall Christmann Yes

h. Opening the Playground in all City Owned Parks. Council Member Rocky Gaines moved to approve the opening of playgrounds when proper signage is installed and Council Member Doug Higgins seconded the motion with an all yes voice roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote.

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes

Leanna Payne Yes
Cecil Burdette Yes
Melody Adams Yes
Marshall Christmann Yes

Pending Projects:

Study Session: UTV – Definitions, comments from Cecil Burdette, Draft Ordinance.

Next City Council Meeting June 1, 2020, 6:00 PM.

Adjourn 6:50 PM: Council Member Rocky Gaines moved to adjourn and Council Member Doug Higgins seconded the motion and carried by an all yes Roll Call vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Ward 1 – Rocky Gaines Yes
Ward 2 – Doug Higgins Yes
Ward 3 – Fred Long Yes
Ward 4 – Larry Walker Yes

Leanna Payne Yes
Cecil Burdette Yes
Melody Adams Yes
Marshall Christmann Yes

Respectfully submitted



Rebecca Schechter, City Clerk

