

(Subject to Approval)
CITY OF LISBON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 24, 2016

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: The City Council of Lisbon, Iowa, met in regular session in the City Council Chambers on October 24, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Beryl O'Connor presiding. The following City Council members were present: John Bardsley, Travis Jubeck, Joe Nelson, Doug O'Connor and Nate Smith. Absent: None.

Citizen's present: LuAnn Yarbrough.

Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Nelson, second by Smith to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of: Agenda, Minutes of October 10, 2016, List of Bills, removing item 6D, moving item 6B to the top of the agenda and moving item 5A to the bottom of the agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

Terry Dvorak with Red Lion Renewables addressed the council regarding the PPA for solar panels and answered questions from the council. He noted that the project would include the water tower by the railroad tracks and the sewer plant. Jubeck asked about rusting of the solar panels and it was noted that the equipment material did not rust and the awning would be installed at an angle to allow rain to run off. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Smith to authorize entering into a contract with Red Lion Renewables for installation of solar panels. All Ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Jubeck, seconded by Smith to reset the public hearing regarding the minimum wage increase to November 14, 2016. All Ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Bagby discussed the need for sludge removal at the sewer plant and presented a plan for this year. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Smith to approve the plan for this year only. All Ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

The Lisbon Dance Team submitted a request to hold a 5K Glo Run and asked for approval. Jubeck updated the council on last year's run and noted that there were no problems. Motion by Jubeck, seconded by Nelson to approve the run. All Ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held on the replacement of the metal roof on the old city shop prior to installing the solar panels. Meier noted that one bid has been received and they are waiting on another. She asked that they be allowed to go ahead and take the lowest bid so that the roof can be done right away due to the installation of the solar panels. Motion by Smith, seconded by Bardsley to approve the replacement of the roof and accepting the lowest bid. All Ayes. Motion carried -50.

Meier explained that they have not had a cleaning person at the city hall for over two years and that Christina had been trying to keep up with it. The everyday dusting and sweeping is getting done but everything else is getting behind. She asked that she be allowed to try to advertise again for an hourly cleaning person and also train that person to act as a receptionist in times that one of them has to be gone. Smith asked about the estimate of hours needed and Meier noted that it would probably be more at first until the building is thoroughly cleaned but would be less hours cleaning afterwards. The reception hours would vary on a monthly basis. Motion by Jubeck, seconded by Smith to advertise for the position. All Ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Meier reported that only one bid was received for the retired police vehicle in the amount of \$507. Motion by Smith, seconded by Jubeck to deny the bid and look at other options for selling the vehicle. All Ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by O'Connor to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 08-2016 Deleting Section 106.08 Low Income Discount. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bardsley, Jubeck, Nelson, O'Connor and Smith. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Bardsley to approve Resolution 46-2016 Certifying Unpaid Fee for Destruction of Noxious Weeds or Growths. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bardsley, Jubeck, Nelson, O'Connor and Smith. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held on the direction the city council would like to take regarding the police department. The options of hiring a full-time officer, hiring a part-time officer or contracting with Mt. Vernon was discussed. Chief Scott was asked for his opinion regarding the options. Scott felt that contracting with Mt. Vernon would give both cities an idea if future

merging of the departments would work. He also addressed the need to move forward due to the number of call outs he was having to do. Meier expressed that it would take some time no matter which option they chose because policy required them to advertise for a part-time or full-time position and if they contract with Mt. Vernon, a contract would have to be established and reviewed by city attorneys. She also asked that the council take a look at the harmony of the current police force. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Smith to pursue contracting with Mt. Vernon for 20 hours per week and also advertise for another full-time officer. Ayes: Bardsley, Jubeck, Nelson, Smith. Nays: O'Connor. Motion passed 4-1.

Meier presented an email from the DOT addressing the transfer of jurisdiction of existing Highway 30 to the city once the bypass has went through. Schechinger answered questions from the council on the state of repair of the highway before it is transferred. O'Connor also addressed the increased maintenance the city would have once this transfer occurs.

City Engineer Schechinger reported that he was going over the televised sewer report to decide what would need to be done with the next project, the city has received a letter informing them that an environmental site visit will be done on well no. 2 and that he has not yet set a date for the meeting regarding the pavers on Novak and Gillette.

Public Works Director Bagby asked that everyone who has received a survey in the mail to please fill it out and return it to city hall as soon as possible. Mayor O'Connor also commented that the survey is necessary for the application process of a \$500,000 grant to be used for wastewater repair.

Smith thanked those who helped with planting trees and asked that those who did get trees to make sure they water them. Bardsley announced that SE Linn will be having their annual soup supper on October 31st and the next writer's workshop will be held November 6th at 1:00 p.m. at the city hall. He also noted that the tree grant application had been sent off and thanked Connie Meier and Robert Zahorik for all their hard work on it. He reported that there was an opening on the tree board for anyone who is interested.

Doug O'Connor revisited the issue that was brought up during the discussion of the police department and asked for a special meeting to address the issues of concern. A special meeting was set for Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 7:15 p.m.

Lu Ann Yarbrough thanked the announcer from the high school football game who asked for prayers when a Lisbon student was injured.

ADJOURN: Mayor O'Connor adjourned the regular meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Connie Meier, City Administrator/Clerk

Beryl O'Connor, Mayor