

CITY OF LANSING

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MEETING MINUTES
June 15, 2023

Call To Order:

The regular meeting of the Lansing City Council was called to order by Mayor McNeill at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Mayor McNeill called the roll and indicated which Councilmembers were in attendance.

Councilmembers Present:

Ward 1: Kevin Gardner and Gene Kirby
Ward 2: Don Studnicka and Marcus Majure
Ward 3: Kerry Brungardt and Jesse Garvey
Ward 4: Dan Clemons and Gregg Buehler

Absent: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 1, 2023, as presented.

Councilmember Garvey made a motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2023, as presented. Councilmember Buehler seconded the motion. No discussion occurred. **Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Majure, Garvey, Buehler, Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, and Kirby. Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: none. The motion was approved.**

Audience Participation: Jeff Shugart, 110 Ferncliff, asked about code enforcement regarding upkeep property. Stated he had issues with neighbors that had junk cars in the yards, not cutting the grass, and parking on the street. City Administrator Tim Vandall discussed the continued issues on Ferncliff with Mr. Shugart, Councilmember Garvey, and City Attorney Greg Robinson. Mr. Shugart also inquired about the status of the pool and suggested a fence around concessions to prevent food in the pool and if there was a possibility of an adult night available at the pool.

Rob Gaslin, 703 Cottonwood Dr, and Greg Fontenot, 801 Cottonwood Dr, Fire District #1, discussed what do good leaders do to improve the situation of hiring shortages. Chief Stackhouse is looking at grants, mutual aid agreements, and working with high schools and colleges to build the workforce. What are true economy of force measures so that we can do more things with fewer people? Mutual aid is based on an established relationship between the fire chiefs and requires a call to or from the other agency. Automatic aid agreements allow them to respond without waiting on a call. A tool available to governing bodies is regionalizing fire departments into fire districts. In looking at Sedgewick County Fire District, our fire district could look at sharing facilities and working together on some of the training. State data has how many departments there are per capita in every county as well as how many per square mile. Councilmember Garvey, Mr. Fontenot, and Mr. Gaslin discussed the differences in structure between our fire district and Sedgewick County's fire district. Manning the force is really important. Fire District #1 meeting is Tuesday, June 20 at 7pm.

Presentations: Officer Recognition - Police Chief Wayman recognized Officer Lee Adkisson and Officer Ethan Beltz. They performed CPR and lifesaving actions on an unresponsive individual until EMS and Fire District #1 arrived and took over care and treatment. For these officers' actions and remaining calm doing what they're trained to do saved this person's life. Chief Wayman awarded each an accommodation for a job well done and a lifesaving ribbon.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS:

Authorization of Potential Partnership with Lan-Del for Water Line on Center Drive

Lan-Del would like to put the water line construction project that is along Center Drive out for bid. City staff will work with Lan-Del staff for a potential formal contract following Lan-Del's bid opening on August 2nd.

Councilmember Buehler made a motion to authorize Lan-Del to solicit for bids for the water line project along Center Drive and approve the City's willingness to partner in the project in an amount not to exceed \$400,000. Councilmember Studnicka seconded the motion. No discussion occurred. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Majure, Garvey, Buehler, Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, and Kirby. Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: none. The motion was approved.

Authorization to sell Lot 2 of Lansing Towne Centre Replat

Tractor Supply Company (TSC) and their representatives have negotiated with the city to transfer ownership of Lot 2 of the Lansing Towne Centre Subdivision

Councilmember Brungardt made a motion to approve the Purchase & Sale Agreement.

Councilmember Buehler seconded the motion. Councilmember Studnicka, Majure, Clemons, CED Director Joshua Gentzler, and City Administrator Vandall discussed what Tractor Supply planned to do with the previous location and the price paid for Lot 2 as well as the restrictions and contingencies outlined in the agreement. English Pope with SVN stated that they were working on a marketing package to address signage on the new property. **Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Majure, Garvey, Buehler, Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, and Kirby. Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: none. The motion was approved.**

Request to Approve Supplemental Agreement #2 for the McIntyre Road - Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Project (City Project 2021-04)

One of the final steps involves soil boring/rock coring at each manhole location to determine the soil conditions. This action provides detailed information for potential bidders to refine their cost estimates and creates overall more favorable bids for the city to consider. The original contract provided for \$60,000 to perform Geotech work. The additional costs (\$28,400) are for the tree clearing, traffic control, and easement modifications.

Councilmember Kirby made a motion to approve the supplemental agreement #2 for additional Geotech and engineering services in support of the McIntyre Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Project (City project 2021-04). Councilmember Garvey seconded the motion. No discussion occurred. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Majure, Garvey, Buehler, Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, and Kirby. Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: none. The motion was approved.

REPORTS:

Department Heads: Nothing to discuss.

City Attorney: Nothing to discuss.

City Administrator: Community Blood Bank is having a community blood drive downstairs in the community center Friday, June 30. Recognized Wastewater Director Tony Zell's efforts above and beyond to preserve a resident's trees and improve their yard to make it an easier land acquisition and

thanked him for his efforts. The State of Kansas reached out verifying that the city was supportive of the Zimmerman Properties project. That property was already re-zoned. The state just wanted to verify we were okay with Zimmerman's grant application. Will coordinate with the mayor about sending the paperwork to the state for that project.

Governing Body:

Councilmember Majure: Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and the updates from Fire District #1. Congratulated the two police officers. Recognized CED Director Gentzler for his work on the Tractor Supply Agreement.

Councilmember Garvey: Thanked the audience members for coming in and providing input. Excited about Tractor Supply remaining in Lansing. Agreed that once dirt starts turning in Towne Center, things will additionally move there.

Councilmember Buehler: Thanked the audience for coming to the meeting. Congratulated the two police officers. Third Thursdays in Lansing, over at Ten & Two Coffee, they have a band, food trucks. The next one is July 20, and the band is Twice on Sunday. On this day in 1752, Benjamin Franklin flying a kite in a thunderstorm proved that lightning is electricity.

Councilmember Clemons: Always appreciate citizens coming in and giving firsthand information. Really appreciate the volunteers from Fire District #1 coming in. Expressed his appreciation to the City Administrator regarding the hard work of the staff and the letters accompanying the agendas.

Councilmember Brungardt: Expressed his appreciation for the audience members that came in. After years, things are starting to fall into place with the dentist's office, KCKCC, and Tractor Supply. Thanked Wastewater Director Zell for his hard work.

Councilmember Studnicka: Congratulated the police officers. Thanked the Fire District #1 volunteers for their input. Expressed his appreciation to Mr. Shugart for coming in and discussing the code enforcement issues. Spoke with CED Director Gentzler regarding the golf course possibly closing or being sold. Discussed with City Administrator Vandall about possibly looking into buying the golf course and making it a municipal golf course and possible zoning. Discussed the possible inspection of elevators and new regulations requiring a third-party inspector.

Councilmember Gardner: Thanked the audience participants that came in. Congratulated the Chief of Police and his officers. Thanked the CED Director Gentzler on the Tractor Supply agreement. Thanked Wastewater Director Zell for his hard work. Things are moving now at a very advantageous pace. The dedication and stability from the past to now is coming to fruition especially over in Towne Center.

Councilmember Kirby: Agreed with everything that had been said. On the memorial for former Councilmember Trinkle, the design and material for the plaque has been decided, picked, and is being manufactured. The only thing left to decide is the shape and style of rock to mount it to. The memorial should be done next month, may be two months.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Kirby made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Garvey seconded the motion. No discussion took place. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Majure, Garvey, Buehler, Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, and Kirby. Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: none. The motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk Tish Sims, CMC