CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING



July 1, 2024

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Korthuis called to order the July 1, 2024 regular session of the Lynden City Council at 7:00 p.m. in the city's council chambers.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

## **OATH OF OFFICE - None.**

## **ROLL CALL**

Members present: Councilors Gary Bode, Lee Beld, Gary Vis, Brent Lenssen, Nick Laninga, Kyle Strengholt and Mark Wohlrab.

Members absent: None.

Staff present: Community Development Director Heidi Gudde, Fire Chief Mark Billmire, Finance Director Laura Scholl, Police Sargeant Randy Humphreys, Public Works Director Jon Hutchings, City Clerk Pam Brown, City Administrator John Williams and City Attorney Bob Carmichael.

# **SUMMARY REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS - None.**

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Beld moved, and Councilor Vis seconded, to approve the June 17, 2024 regular council minutes. Motion approved on 6-0 vote. Councilor Wohlrab arrived at 7:05 pm so did not vote on this item.

## CITIZEN COMMENT - None.

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

<u>Set Public Hearing Date to Consider ORD-24-1688, Amending LMC 17 & 19, Regarding the City's Sign Regulations</u>

# RES-24-1098, Request to Cancel Check

RCW 39.56.040 states that any registered or interest bearing warrants of any municipal corporation not presented within one year of the date of their call, or other warrants not

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presented within one year of their issue, shall be canceled by passage of a resolution of the governing body of the municipal corporation, and upon notice of the passage of such resolution the auditor of the municipal corporation and the treasurer of the municipal corporation shall transfer all records of such warrants so as to leave the funds as is such warrants had never been issued; and RCW 35A.40.020 provides code cities with the ability to pay claims via warrant or check and additionally states: "Wherever in this title, reference is made to warrants, such term shall include checks where authorized by this section."

Check Numbering: 29611 has not and will not be presented for payment; and should be canceled

Motion made by Councilor Bode seconded by Councilor Strengholt to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion approved 6-0. Councilor Wohlrab arrived at 7:05 pm so did not vote on this item.

## 3. PUBLIC HEARING - None.

# 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORD-24-1687 Annex of the Weg Property

City Council passed Resolution 24-1090, a resolution of intent to annex the property owned by Rick and Carol Weg as represented by Annexation Application 23- 01 at the January 16, 2024 council meeting. This property includes approximately 45 acres of the City's Urban Growth Area on the northwest edge of the city and the portion of Double Ditch Road right-of-way it fronts.

Per the Pepin Creek Subarea Plan, the property is slated to be added to the city with a zoning category of Residential Mixed Density (RMD) which allows single family homes and duplexes on a variety of lot sizes. Following the Resolution of Intent the annexation request was sent, as required by interlocal agreement, to the Boundary Review Board. The comment period of the Board closed with no concerns regarding the annexation. Ordinance 24-1687 is the final action needed to add the Weg property to the City of Lynden.

Motion made by Councilor Lenssen seconded by Councilor Laninga to approve Ordinance 24-1687 annexing the Weg property as represented by City of Lynden annexation application 23-01, and Boundary Review Board application 24-01, and to authorize the Mayor's signature on the document. Motion approved 6-0. Councilor Wohlrab arrived at 7:05 pm so did not vote on this item.

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ORD-24-1689 Regarding Fluoridation of the City's Water Supply

At the June 3, 2024 Council meeting a motion was made to direct staff to draft an ordinance to repeal LMC 13.04.440 (Fluoridation Authorized) and ordinance no. 371 from 1959, regarding adding fluoride to the city's water supply.

Motion made by Councilor Bode seconded by Councilor Strengholt to adopt Ordinance 24-1689 regarding fluoridation of Lynden's water supply. Fluoridation of the City's water will cease once the City's current supply of fluoride is exhausted. Motion approved 4-3. Motion approved.

Mayor Korthuis provided members of council and the city clerk a written veto of Ordinance 24-1689. The veto was read into the record and will be included in the official file.

RES-24-1099 Regarding Fluoridation of the City's Water Supply - *This item pulled from the agenda.* 

5. NEW BUSINESS- None.

#### 6. REPORTS

Approval of Payroll and Claims:

Claims dated 5-21-2024 Payroll dated May 5-May 18, 2024 Payroll dated May 19-June 1, 2024

Claims dated 6-11-2024

Council had a discussion regarding the process for council review of the Pepin Creek project. Council will provide input for staff at the next council meeting.

Mayor Korthuis officially introduced Finance Director Laura Scholl to council.

# 7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council did not hold an executive session.

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July 1, 2024 regular session of the Lynden city council adjourned at 7:22 p.m.	
Pamela D. Brown, City Clerk	Scott Korthuis, Mayor