

CITY OF LYNDEN



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

October 5, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Korthuis called to order the October 5, 2020 regular session of the Lynden City Council at 7:00 p.m. held through an online web-based meeting platform (Microsoft Teams).

ROLL CALL

Members present: Mayor Scott Korthuis and Councilors, Gary Bode, Ron De Valois, Gerald Kuiken, Brent Lenssen, Nick Laninga, Kyle Strengholt, and Mark Wohlrab.

Members absent: None

Staff present: Finance Director Anthony Burrows, Fire Chief Mark Billmire, Parks Director Vern Meenderinck, Police Chief Steve Taylor, City Clerk Pam Brown, City Administrator Mike Martin, and City Attorney Bob Carmichael.

OATH OF OFFICE- None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor De Valois moved and Councilor Laninga seconded to approve September 21, 2020 regular council minutes as presented. Motion approved on a 7-0 vote.

ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Scheduled: None

Unscheduled- None

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Payroll Disbursed – September 16 through September 30, 2020

Paychex EFT	\$287,317.76
City of Lynden EFT.....	\$64,838.45
Warrant Liability	\$64,371.49
Subtotal	\$416,527.70
Paychex EFT Liability	\$8,148.42
Total EFT & Other Liabilities	\$424,676.12

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Approval of Claims – October 7, 2020

Manual Warrants No.	=	through	=		\$0.00
EFT Payment Pre-Pays					\$401,197.08
				Sub Total Pre-Pays	\$401,197.08
Voucher Warrants No.	<u>20307</u>	through	<u>20339</u>		\$88,253.80
EFT Payments					\$0.00
				Sub Total	\$88,253.80
				Total Accts. Payable	\$489,450.88

Councilor Kuiken moved and Councilor De Valois seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion approved on a 7-0 vote.

3. PUBLIC HEARING - None

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

5. NEW

Mayor's Status of the 2020 Budget

Per statute RCW 35.33.135, in preparation for the 2021 Preliminary Budget Review on October 19, 2020, the Mayor provides the City Council with an updated status of the current 2020 Budget. The Mayor read this agenda item into the record and a copy is included in the official council file. This item is for information only, no action will be taken.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Council Committee Updates

Councilor Bode reporting for the Public Works Committee which involved discussion of:

- Traffic congestion and parking issues on Bluestem Street
- Request for raised sidewalks at Isom Elementary and Lynden High School
- Request for Lynden Logo artwork in 3rd Street flower bed
- Development Agreement & Covenant for Street Utility Improvements
- Pepin Lite- possibility of Eerdmann property purchase
- Use of public property for private business – Iceworx
- Stormwater inspection requirements
- Electric car charging stations



Councilor Wohlrab reporting for the Public Safety Committee which involved discussion of:

- Lynden Watch update
- OT reports for police and fire departments
- Chief Hatley working wildfires
- Connex for training exercises is still in the works
- Fire station remodel moving forward
- City of Lynden support for Public Safety personnel and services continues

Mayor Korthuis reported the CARES funds are being distributed to local businesses and there is a possibility of additional funding maybe available in a collaborative effort with Whatcom County to contribute to additional non-profit agencies as well.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council did not hold an executive session.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The October 5, 2020 regular session of the Lynden City Council adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Pamela D. Brown, MMC
City Clerk

Scott Korthuis
Mayor