

Lawton City Council Minutes

August 3, 2004

The Lawton City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 3, 2004, at the Lawton City Clerk's office. Council members answering roll: Terry Masching, Perry Ludwig, Tony Bengford, Rick Schorg and Don Grigg. Mayor Jeff Nitzschke called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Clerk Washburn asked to amend the agenda to include Discussion of Benefit Hog Roast for Burn Victims of July 22 Explosion and Fire. Motion to amend was made by Ludwig, seconded by Grigg. Carried on roll 5-0.

Roger Miller asked Council to waive requirement of water and sewer on his property since he uses location for storage only. Attorney cited ordinance requirement. Council denied request.

Building permit from Gary Byers, 409 E Maple for chain link fence was approved.

Russ Walker, President of the Board for Western Iowa Telephone Association (WITA), introduced new General Manager Heath Mallory. WITA purchased the CATV franchise from TelePartners, L.L.C.. Councilman Grigg moved to approve **Resolution # 2004-10, Consent to Assignment, Annex 1, Ordinance # 107**. Schorg seconded. Motion carried on roll 5-0. Complete text of Resolution is on file at City Hall.

Kory Eyres asked City permission for Fire Department to host Benefit Hog Roast and Street Dance for burn victims of July 22nd explosion and fire. Council gave approval for such benefit and for closure of 100 block of East Main Street on motion of Bengford, seconded by Ludwig. Carried on roll 5-0.

Three sign companies from Sioux City had been asked to make presentation on informational sign. Ryan Avery, representative of Avery Brothers Sign, was present and spoke on options he recommended. After considerable discussion, Ludwig moved to purchase sign from Avery Brothers Sign with several specifications. Schorg seconded. Motion carried on roll 5-0. Clerk will proceed with ordering after verifying specs with Mr. Avery. Location of sign was also discussed. Mayor has erected a mock sign on corner of park. Some comments have been heard regarding location. Council will take comments under advisement.

Jerry Steffen noted test wells should be drilled 2nd week in September, 2004.

Improvements to 300 block of Cedar Street will begin as soon as contractors can be arranged. Sections of street will be done one at a time to ensure ease of traffic flow through downtown area.

Clerk reported on Iowa League of Cities Conference that will be held in Sioux City September 22-24. Deadline for discounted registration is August 11, 2004.

Weed notices have been sent to several residents. All have complied that have received notices.

Clerk notified Council of payment due to Doyle Smith for annual lease of L-B Summer League ball fields. This will be the fourth of five payments on first 5-year lease.

Attorney stated hearing on annexation of property will be held by State of Iowa City Development Board on August 19, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in Des Moines. Further information on matter may be obtained from City Hall.

Consent Agenda was approved with clerk making notation that published minutes of July 6 meeting stated date as "July 8". This error was corrected prior to posting and was to have been corrected prior to publishing. Consent Agenda included approval of July 6 minutes, approval of \$24,748.87 in disbursements and the July 2004 financial statements. Motion to approve by Schorg, seconded by Masching, carried on roll 5-0.

With no further business, Schorg moved to adjourn at 7:50. Seconded by Ludwig, carried 5-0.

REVENUES BY FUND

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Interest Earned	2,644.07	General	14,266.97
General	1,385.26	Local Option Sales Tax	0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	9,526.60	Road Use Tax	5,505.68
Road Use Tax	4,618.71	Water	2,505.57
Water	14,305.86	Sewer	2,433.65
Sewer	7,038.26	Garbage	37.00
Garbage	6,806.24	JULY DISBURSEMENTS	24,748.87
TOTAL REVENUE	46,325.00		

WARRANTS APPROVED

Lowell Anderson, salary	453.92
Heath Horsley, salary	268.15
Jack Howard, salary	276.14
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Trent Lentell, partial deposit refund	65.22
Heath Horsley, salary	227.28
Jack Howard, salary	274.15
Lawton Pronto, fuel	344.07
Linweld, propane cylinder rent	6.92
Western Iowa Telephone	143.07
Lowell Anderson, salary	453.93
Heath Horsley, salary	172.47
Jack Howard, salary	180.48
Lowell Anderson, salary	453.92
Heath Horsley, salary	229.26
Jack Howard, salary	230.30
Barkley Asphalt	253.48
Bomgaars, paint	94.21
Central Iowa Distributing, orange float	199.00
Colonial Research Chem. Corp., dissolve	310.00
Iowa One Call, locates	19.00
MidAmerican Energy	1350.84
Siouxland Dist. Health Dept, lab fee	30.00
Tri-State Electronic Service, Inc, router	200.00
US Bank	193.56
US Post Office	115.06
Nogg Chemical & Paper, TP for tar overlay	57.55
Menards, office supplies	20.95
Lawton Fire Dept., 24% budget, 20% grass rig	10876.00
Metcalf, Thompson & Phipps, legal fees	200.00
Steffen Engineering, Cedar St. Improvements	1962.00
Lowell Anderson, salary	453.92
Heath Horsley, salary	180.45
Jack Howard, salary	198.42
Brian Johnson, salary	57.08
Patricia Washburn, salary	1302.08
EFTPS, payroll liabilities	1908.18
IPERS, payroll liabilities	727.45
JULY TOTALS	24748.87

SIGNED BY: _____
 Jeff Nitzschke, Mayor

ATTESTED BY: _____
 Patricia L Washburn, City Clerk