

Lawton City Council Minutes

September 7, 2004

The Lawton City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 7, 2004, at the Lawton City Clerk's office. Council members answering roll: Don Grigg, Terry Masching, Perry Ludwig and Tony Bengford. Rick Schorg was absent. Mayor Jeff Nitzschke called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. expressing condolences to Councilman Grigg on the death of his wife.

No building permits were presented for consideration.

Wendy Hess and Glenn Sedivy, representing the 911 Service Board, gave presentation regarding referendum on November ballot to increase 911 surcharge from 25 cents to one dollar. An increase can only be put on ballot for consideration every 2 years. After careful consideration, Grigg moved to pass **Resolution # 2004-12: Resolution Supporting 911 Surcharge Increase**. Masching seconded, on roll 4-0, carried. Complete text of Resolution is available at City Hall.

Kurt Miene, Fire Captain, reported receiving FEMA Grant of \$39,049 for new equipment. This is a 90/10 matching grant. Therefore Lawton Fire Department must provide additional \$3,904.90. Miene also reminded Council of 5th Annual Lawton Fire Department Pancake Breakfast to be held Saturday, September 11th, 2004.

Ken Eyres was present for Lawton EMS. Council was asked to commit \$5,000 toward purchase of new ambulance. Council will consider request when preparing budget for 2005-2006 Fiscal Year.

Jerry Steffen provided Council with drawings on lift station in new West Creek development. After considerable discussion regarding curb types, Grigg moved to adopt amendment to **City Code 6-8-1** describing streets and permissible curbs to add a "roll-up" style curb.

The Section presently reads:

6-8-1 STREETS AND CURBS

1.c. A six inch (6") curb

Amended to read:

6-8-1. STREETS AND CURBS

1.c. A six inch (6") curb OR a roll-up curb on nine inch centers with a 24" radius.

Motion seconded by Ludwig. On roll, motion carried 4-0.

The matter being of immediate importance to allow continued construction of new streets, Ludwig moved to waive the requirement of reading the proposed Ordinance at 3 consecutive meetings, Grigg seconded. On roll, motion carried 4-0.

The motion carried and the council proceeded to give final consideration to okay proposed Ordinance. Masching moved to adopt, Ludwig seconded. All council members present voted aye.

Mark Richardson was present to discuss tax statement he had received on land purchased from the city. Attorney Metcalf stated the taxes are the responsibility of Richardson. He also suggested contacting County Assessor's office as they may grant abatement for part of the taxes. Richardson requested Council grant an extension on development time frame as spelled out in Resolution # 2003-05 (Text available at City Hall). Ludwig made motion to allow 12-month extension. Bengford seconded. On roll, 4-0, carried.

No action was taken on Final Plat of West Creek Development as nothing was presented.

Council informed City Clerk she should use own judgment on contents of Quarterly Newsletter, as has been done in the past. Free advertisement for out-of-town businesses will not be included in City Newsletter.

Peddlers and Transient Merchants were discussed by Council. Council recommended Clerk get as much information as possible from these people before they go out to the public. Problems arose in neighboring towns with magazine salesmen during August.

Fire Chief Dennis Uhl spoke regarding possible building extension the Department had been researching. However this is not available as originally planned. Uhl also inquired about getting new overhead door on garage next to City Hall. Bids will be presented to Council as soon as possible.

Council voted unanimously not to pay dues to SIMPCO for the upcoming year.

Two ongoing weed problems were discussed by Council. Clerk and Attorney will send notices.

Attorney stated Peterson Annexation Hearing will be held in Des Moines September 9, 2004 at 2:30. City will be notified if local hearing must also be held.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda consisting of approval of August 3, 2004 minutes, approval of disbursements of \$17,822.51, August 2004 Financial Statement, and Approval of Resolution # 2004-11, 2004 Street Finance Report was made by Masching, seconded by Grigg. On roll, motion carried 4-0.

With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

REVENUES BY FUND

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Interest Earned	2,586.84	General	5,365.65
General	1,338.57	Local Option Sales Tax	0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	0.00	Road Use Tax	2,334.78
Road Use Tax	5,123.21	Water	3,626.52
Water	2,978.16	Sewer	2,251.21
Sewer	1,105.25	Garbage	4,244.35
Garbage	1,346.08	Fire Funds	0.00
Fire Funds	0.00	TOTAL REVENUE	14,478.11
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WARRANTS APPROVED

Wigman Co., 8" test ball	120.54
ACE Engine & Parts, mower supplies	88.10
CHN Garbage	2104.10
Doyle Smith, year 4 of 5 - ball field lease	1110.00
Lowell Anderson, salary	453.92
Heath Horsley, salary	208.36
Jack Howard, salary	195.42
Banner Township, cemetery upkeep	1000.00
Lowell Anderson, salary	453.93
Heath Horsley, salary	186.43
Jack Howard, salary	195.43
Western Iowa Telephone	133.05
ATCO, Destroyer	181.20
Barkley Asphalt	90.67
Central Iowa Distributing, Supplies	128.00
Flewelling Sand & Gravel, Concrete Mix	22.54
Hach Company, Chlorine	386.15
Hydro Metering Technology	591.27
Iowa DNR	88.28
MidAmerican Energy	1365.62
Moville Record, 6 pubs.	391.27
Siouxland District Health Dept.	10.00
Utility Equipment Company	431.10
Lowell Anderson, salary	453.92
Heath Horsley, salary	227.27
Jack Howard, salary	212.36
Brian Johnson, salary	54.70
US Bank	709.33
Conference Lodging	296.25
Conference Meals	54.62
US Post Office, postage	37.00
Wal-Mart, lawn sprinklers, hoses	143.42
Nogg Chemical & Paper, paper towels	79.41
Menards, cement, bulbs, etc	98.63
Patricia Washburn, mileage, Ames	42.69
Linweld, propane	47.05
Lowell Anderson, salary	453.92
Jack Howard, salary	208.38
Patricia Washburn, salary	1302.09
IPERS, payroll liabilities	567.07
EFTPS, payroll taxes	1468.10
CHN Garbage	2140.25
AUGUST TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	17822.51

SIGNED BY: _____
Jeff Nitzschke, Mayor

ATTESTED BY: _____
Patricia L Washburn, City Clerk