

Lawton City Council Minutes

December 4, 2007

The Lawton City Council met in Regular session on Tuesday, December 4, 2007, at the Lawton City Hall. Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by Mayor Jeff Nitzschke. Council members answering roll: Don Grigg, Perry Ludwig, Rick Schorg and Tony Bengford. Terry Masching was absent. Others attending included City Clerk Patricia Washburn, City Maintenance Lowell Anderson, City Attorney Glenn Metcalf, Jerry Steffen, Sue Radosti and Nick Lahrs.

Mayor Nitzschke welcomed guests. Schorg moved to approve agenda as presented. Grigg seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

City congratulated Councilman Grigg on being inducted into the Iowa Institute for Cooperatives Hall of Fame, an honor bestowed on him by Western Iowa Telephone Association. Grigg was also named an Honorary Member of the Iowa Telecommunications Association.

Oaths of Office were administered by Clerk Washburn to Mayor-elect Jeff Nitzschke and Councilmen-elect Don Grigg, Perry Ludwig and Rick Schorg.

Sue Radosti spoke to Council regarding possible zoning concerns on property she is considering purchasing for Bed & Breakfast Home. Attorney stated zoning would not be a problem, however mentioned parking concerns. Radosti stated vehicles would not be parked more than five days, and would be moved according to ordinance requirements. Regarding signage, Radosti was told sign must be on her property rather than on city ROW.

On motion of Ludwig, second by Bengford, Council elected to deny Woodbury County Landfill Amended 28E Agreement as proposed by Board of Supervisors. On September 4, 2007 the City Council passed a resolution to accept the Woodbury County Solid Waste Agency Amended 28E Agreement as prepared by the Woodbury County Landfill attorney. On October 30, 2007 a proposed Amended 28E Agreement prepared by the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors was mailed to the towns asking for three representatives from the Board of Supervisors and one representative from each town instead of one representative from each governing body. It also changed the quorum from seven members of the Landfill Board to six from the towns and at least two from the Board of Supervisors. Motion carried on roll 4-0. City of Lawton does not support the Board of Supervisors Amended 28E Agreement.

Jerry Stephen presented 3rd pay request from Smith Concrete for work on Maple Street Replacement project. Motion made by Schorg, seconded by Grigg to pay Smith Concrete \$11,897.53 as requested. Motion carried on roll 4-0. One driveway has not been saw-cut to date. Release of portion of retainer will be discussed at January meeting.

Motion by Ludwig, second by Schorg, to pay Steffen Engineering \$10,971.25 for engineering work on Maple and Cedar Streets. Motion carried on roll 4-0.

Steffen presented bid of \$1,280.00 from Automatic Systems Co regarding program changes to increase amperage on new well. Steffen questions whether this change is necessary. High service pumps do not have variable frequency drives. Steffen recommended Council consider putting variable frequency drives on high service pumps or possibly replacing one pump with 15 hp pump.

Garbage contract expires in April 2008. Council instructed Clerk to get proposal together for bids. Several haulers were mentioned as possible haulers for City.

Motion by Grigg, second by Ludwig to renew US 20 Association membership dues of \$100.00. Motion carried on roll 4-0.

With January 1, 2008 being the first Tuesday of the month, and therefore the normal meeting date, motion was made by Schorg, second by Ludwig to change January meeting date to Thursday, January 3 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried on roll 3-1 with Bengford dissenting.

Anderson stated City will need to revisit replacement of white sanding truck currently in use by City. Mayor suggested Council consider Ford F-450.

Mayor brought to Council's attention some residents pushing snow from their property onto streets after City has cleared snow. Mayor will address issue with residents as need arises. As parking is city right-of-way, snow can be piled on parking.

Clerk reported changes presented at Budget Workshop regarding TIF reporting. Proclamations regarding L-B Football Team were presented by Mayor Nitzschke at awards ceremony December 2. Rick Schorg of Sign Pro donated material and labor to create framed proclamations. Clerk reported no building permits have been applied for, however locate from Iowa One Call was received for fence. Fencing company has been notified. Bengford will speak with developer regarding need to get permits before projects are started. This is a recurring problem.

Thank you letters and cards were shared from various individuals regarding new playground equipment and letter of recommendation for Don Grigg's Hall of Fame award.

Attorney Metcalf had no updates on fire protection agreement. Bengford stated board will be meeting and they need to finalize agreement.

Motion to approve consent agenda as presented consisting of minutes from November 6 and November 17, November disbursements in the amount of \$96,326.41 and November financial statements made by Grigg, seconded by Ludwig. Motion carried 4-0.

With no further business to come before the meeting, meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

REVENUES BY FUND

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Interest Earned	6,489.30	TIF-West Creek	2,032.55
General	13,192.33	General	67,543.67
Local Option Sales Tax	9,768.42	Local Option Sales Tax	0.00
Road Use Tax	4,592.34	Road Use Tax	3,684.31
Water	10,495.53	Water	16,234.85
Sewer	2,978.62	Sewer	2,948.21
Garbage	4,596.12	Garbage	2,423.95
Fire Revenue	130.96	Fire Disbursements	1,458.87
TOTAL REVENUE	52,243.62	NOV. DISBURSEMENTS	96,326.41

WARRANTS APPROVED

Lowell Anderson, salary	549.47
Jack Howard, wages	364.36
Doyle Smith, Yr. 2 of 2nd 5-yr lease	1665.00
Anytime Lock & Key, water tower keys & lock	128.25
Certified Testing, Maple Street tests	799.60
Iowa Prison Industries, 10 speed signs	168.30
Western IA Telephone	262.63
Nitzschke Construction, labor/park install	870.00
Ken Eyres, reim. CO detector	45.73
Flewelling Sand & Gravel, sand, pea gravel	2893.93
Lawton Pronto, fuel	420.73
MidAmerican Energy	1405.64
Lowell Anderson, salary	549.47
Jack Howard, wages	327.28
Smith Concrete, pay # 2, Maple St./Tara Way	57926.70
Iowa One Call, locates	27.00
US Bank	131.69
WalMart, mums	42.68
Spaghetti's, IMFOA Conf.	14.00
Staples, ink, toner, etc	38.51
Maxine's, meals/playground equip.	36.50
Lowell Anderson, salary	549.47
Jack Howard, wages	432.93
Lowell Anderson, salary	549.46
Jack Howard, wages	321.32
Barkley Asphalt, hot mix	152.39
Bomgaars, supplies	194.07
Brown Supply, couplings, fittings	311.79
CHN Garbage	2408.95
Colonial Research Chem, Dissolve	189.01
First Trust & Savings, water bonds interest	12455.00
ISU, Firefighter training	200.00
Matt Parrott & Sons, laser checks	274.31
Menard's, supplies	87.27
Nitzschke Construction, labor	70.00
Rees Mack Sales, truck repairs	1071.12
Siouxland Concrete, Tara Way Park equip	400.00
Stan Houston, rent auger for park	113.40
Utility Equipment Co., supplies	1728.71
Scott Kelly, deposit refund	46.59
Lowell Anderson, salary	549.47
Jack Howard, wages	241.83
Patricia L Washburn, salary	1982.03
EFTPS, fed, med, SS	2470.68
IPERS	899.33
Aflac, employee contributions	91.50

SIGNED BY: _____
 Jeff Nitzschke, Mayor

ATTESTED BY: _____
 Patricia L Washburn, City Clerk