

Lawton City Council

January 10, 2024

The Lawton city council met in regular session at 5:30pm on January 10, 2024, in the council chambers at 315 Ash St. Mayor Pedersen called the meeting to order around 5:40pm. Roll call was answered by Heiss, Otto (by phone), and Saunders. Also in attendance: city clerk Tricia Jernberg, public works director Justin Dunnington, city attorney Ryan Beardshear, Raymond Thomas, Diane Niewohner, fire chief Travis Ludwig, Lori Hummel, Carly Brown, and WCSO Deputy Brooks.

Agenda: motion by Saunders, second by Heiss to approve the agenda as posted.

Public forum: Raymond Thomas asked council about the possibility of upgrading the city's Christmas pole decorations and asked about adding a pickleball court in town.

Sheriff: WCSO Deputy Brooks reported 2 calls for service in December. Council thanked for their service and their added support in the Lawton-Bronson School District recently.

Fire: Chief Travis Ludwig reported 5 calls for service.

Clerk: Clerk reported attending a clerk's meeting with the MRHD executive director regarding a new community event grant, attending a fire budget meeting, and the State of Iowa has suggested getting an updated w4 from each employee. Mr. Thomas suggested a possible outdoor movie night.

Mayor: Mayor Pedersen shared working on the budget with staff, spoke with a few residents about starting a new community group for events, looking further into using the basketball court on the school property and received a quote for replacement, refurbishment, and adding a pickleball court to the area.

Public works: director reported the meeting with ISG about the sewer lagoon project was postponed because of weather, stayed busy clearing roads, and had a plow breakdown so will be working on getting that fixed.

Attorney: attorney did not have anything new to report.

Consent agenda: motion by Saunders, second by Heiss to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2023 regular meeting. Motion carried with all voting aye. Motion by Saunders, second by Heiss to approve the January disbursements and December claims for payment and financial reports. Motion carried with all voting aye. Motion by Heiss, second by Otto to approve the utility trial balance and accounts receivable audit report. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Resolution 2024-01 Appointing City Clerk, City Attorney, and Public Works Director

Motion by Heiss, second by Saunders to approve Resolution 2024-01 appointing Tricia Jernberg as city clerk, Ryan Beardshear as city attorney, and Justin Dunnington as public works director. Motion passed vote with all members present voting aye.

Resolution 2024-02 Depository Resolution

Motion by Heiss, second by Otto to approve Resolution 2024-02 naming Security National Bank as the depository and naming the signers on bank accounts. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting aye.

Resolution 2024-03 Approval of Investment Policy

Motion by Heiss, second by Saunders to approve Resolution 2024-03 approval of investment policy. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting aye.

Resolution 2024-04 Records Custodian

Motion by Saunders, second by Heiss to approve Resolution 2024-04 designating records custodians. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting aye.

Library budget: discussion on requested contribution amount of \$21,614. Topic tabled until further information can be acquired.

Fire budget: discussion on physical requirements. Motion by Saunders, second by Otto to approve a maximum fire department budget of \$68,950 dependent on required physical costs. Motion carried with all voting aye.

FY25 budget and special meeting: motion by Saunders, second by Heiss to set a special budget work session meeting for January 31, 2024 at 5:30pm. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Budget amendment: clerk presented adjustments to FY24 budget to account for a more accurate representation of current expenditures. Motion by Heiss, second by Saunders to approve the budget amendment as presented. Motion carried with all voting aye. A public hearing will be set at the next meeting.

Ordinance 2023-01 Amending Chapter 55 Animal Protection and Control Section 55.01 Part 9 and 55.06

Motion by Heiss, second by Saunders to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 2023-01 Amending Chapter 55 Animal Protection and Control Section 55.01 amending the definition of pet "owner" to add anyone feeding and watering a cat or dog, feral or otherwise. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all members voting aye.

Agreement for fire protection services: Mayor shared Concord township, Banner township and city representatives agreed to renew and update the 28E agreement for fire protection services. Changes will include a longer-term length and reversing the maximum square footage to have a minimum requirement. Motion by Saunders, second by Heiss to approve the revised agreement. Motion carried with all voting aye. Clerk will send to townships for review and approval. Summer position- council discussion on hiring for a part-time summer position. Position will be posted. With no further business, motion by Saunders, second by Heiss to adjourn the meeting at 6:32pm. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Jesse Pedersen, Mayor

Tricia Jernberg, City Clerk

City of Lawton- Claims & Revenues- 12/2023

AMAZON.COM	VACUUM FILTERS & KEYTAGS	\$ 100.38
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	LIGHT	\$ 8.38
BEARDSHEAR LAW	LEGAL SERVICES	\$ 1,300.00
BEKINS FIRE & SAFETY	EXTINGUISHER ANNUAL TESTING	\$ 608.10
BOMGAARS	JD JEANS	\$ 209.76
CITY OF LAWTON	FIRE UTILITIES	\$ 40.05
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTR	CHILD SUPPORT	\$ 616.14
CULLIGAN OF PIERSON	WATER	\$ 28.50
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$ 5,405.44
FLOYD RIVER MATERIALS	ROCK	\$ 957.15
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER TESTING	\$ 301.50
G&K DISPOSAL, LLC	NOVEMBER GARBAGE	\$ 6,660.00
GWORKS	W2 & 1099 TAX FORMS	\$ 106.43
HAKA	PW OCT & NOV FUEL	\$ 867.38
HOME DEPOT	ORGANIZATION HOOKS FOR SHOP	\$ 128.14
HUNDERTMARK	SOAP	\$ 65.00
I&S GROUP	WWTP UPDATE	\$ 85.00
IA DEPT OF REV- PAYROLL	STATE TAXES	\$ 1,736.20
IMWCA	2022-23 AUDIT PREMIUM ADJUST	\$ 1,207.00
IPERS	REGULAR IPERS	\$ 3,222.84
JUSTIN DUNNINGTON	PR ADVANCE	\$ 1,180.00
LIBRARY	FY24 LIBRARY CONTRIBUTION	\$ 21,487.00
LINDBLOM SERVICES INC	TREE PILE HAUL & MONTHLY FEE	\$ 399.30
LOWES HOME IMPROVEMENT	COUNCIL CHAMBER BLINDS	\$ 123.46
MENARDS - SIOUX CITY	SHOP SUPPLIES/FIREEXTINGUISHER	\$ 385.21
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$ 2,947.51
MIDWEST WHEEL COMPANIES	SAFETY TAPE & PAYLOADER LIGHT	\$ 79.72
NEIMAN ELECTRIC	SUPPLY GENERATOR TO 315 ASH	\$ 14,900.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY	MAX-MATIC TIP FEMALE 2.5", 2	\$ 365.75
SCE, LLC	E MAIN WTR MAIN REPAIR	\$ 1,354.86
SIOUX CITY FOUNDRY CO.	PLOW BLADES & BOLTS	\$ 1,084.00
SOOLAND BOBCAT	TOOLCAT STRAP	\$ 14.51
STAPLES - SIOUX CITY	PRINTER INK-FIRE	\$ 176.87
T&W TIRE	TOOLCAT TIRE	\$ 203.94
THE RECORD	NOVEMBER PUBLISHING	\$ 118.04
TIFFANY STEPHENS	CC RENTAL REFUND	\$ 100.00
TOYNE, INC	WHEEL CHOCK BRACKETS	\$ 264.87
TREAS ST IA	November 2023 WET	\$ 787.65

WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 1,844.06
WESTERN IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE AND INTERNET	\$ 663.10
	CLAIMS TOTAL	<hr/> \$ 74,133.24

Total claims by fund: General \$53,738.97, Fire \$3,574.67, Road Use Tax \$5,581.49, Water \$8,621.11,
Sewer \$2,617

Total revenues by fund: General \$32,046.65, Fire \$16,187.40, Road use Tax \$11,357.80, Local option
sales tax \$23,561.30, TIF \$107.09, Water \$17,008.21, Water deposit \$50.00, Sewer \$15,261.90