

Lawton City Council Meeting

April 12, 2023

The Lawton city council met in regular session at 5:30pm on April 12, 2023 at the Lawton Community Center, 315 Ash St. Mayor Pro-tem Saunders called the meeting to order around 5:30pm. Roll call was answered by Heiss (by phone), Roth, and Saunders. Also in attendance: city clerk Tricia Jernberg, public works director Justin Dunnington, attorney Ryan Beardshear, Deb Main, Gayle Palmquist, Howard Smith, Lane Benedix, Christine Gant, Josie Olesen, Avery Myers, C & M Brown, Lori Hummel, Loyanne Jensen, Eileen Kenyon, and Diane Niewohner.

Public forum: there were no comments during public forum.

Sheriff: Report showed 29 incidents including directed patrols.

Fire: there were no fire calls this month and fire fighters attended fire school at WITCC

Clerk: clerk reported preparing RFPs for garbage contract, city wide rummages dates will be June 15, 16, and 17 this year, will be working on setting up the spring cleanup days, the electronic sign is still not working properly, the IA State Extension would like to have some workshops at community center this summer, ARPA annual report is done, and SNB is switching one of the savings accounts to a different type of account that will earn more interest.

Mayor: nothing to report.

Public works: director reported the Toolcat is being serviced, the little league had a couple cleanup days at the ball fields to start the season, there was a water leak at the ball fields, there will be a dumpster available for yard waste soon, looking at purchasing a UTV that is in next year's budget, the Welcome to Lawton signs on highway 20 are being worked on, and received quotes for multiple projects including landscaping at new building, urinal screen for community center restroom, fence for around well, asphalt for alley by post office, and concrete for alley by fire station.

Attorney: nothing to report.

Consent agenda: Motion by Roth, second by Saunders to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2023 regular meeting. Motion carried with all voting aye. Motion by Roth, second by Saunders to approve the April disbursements and March claims for payment and financial reports. Motion carried with all voting aye. Motion by Heiss, second by Roth to approve the utility billing trial balance and accounts receivable audit report. Motion carried with all voting aye.

CO2 pipeline: Deb Main and Gayle Palmquist presented information and concerns about the CO2 pipelines that are proposed to be put into Woodbury County. Safety concerns and emergency services concerns were cited. Maps showing the placement of the lines were also shared. Asked if the city would submit a letter of objection to the IA Utilities Board. No action was taken at this time.

Chickens: LB students presented a proposal requesting the city allow permits for chickens. No action was taken at this time.

Public hearing: Mayor Pro-tem Saunders opened the public hearing for the Sale of Real Property around 6:31pm. There were no in-person or written comments. Mayor Pro-tem Saunders closed the public hearing around 6:32pm.

Resolution 2023-12 Sale of Real Property: no action was taken on Resolution 2023-12.

Public hearing: Mayor Pro-tem Saunders opened the public hearing for the FY23 Budget Amendment around 6:34pm. Councilman Heiss asked personnel to look into putting money aside into CD accounts to earn higher interest rates. There were no other in person or written comments received. Mayor Pro-tem Saunders closed the public hearing around 6:39pm.

Resolution 2023-11 Approve City of Lawton Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Motion by Heiss, second by Saunders to approve Resolution 2023-11 to amend the FY23 Fiscal Budget for the city of Lawton. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting aye.

Special Events Permit: LB Family group submitted a permit application for the 4th Annual Smile Color Run on May 6th.

Motion by Saunders, second by Roth to approve the permit application. Motion carried with all voting aye.

With no further business, motion by Heiss, second by Saunders to adjourn the meeting at 6:43pm. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Jesse Pedersen, Mayor

Tricia Jernberg, City clerk

City of Lawton- Claims & Revenues March 2023

ACCO UNLIMITED	CHLORINE	\$	522.80
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	SEWER TESTING	\$	181.36
BOMGAARS	SHOP FLUIDS	\$	364.91

CITY OF LAWTON	FIRE UTILITIES	\$	40.05
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTR	CHILD SUPPORT	\$	410.76
CULLIGAN OF PIERSON	WATER	\$	18.50
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$	3,159.60
GILL HAULING, INC	FEBRUARY GARBAGE	\$	6,407.01
HAKA	JANUARY FUEL	\$	651.81
I&S GROUP	FINAL WASTERWATER IMPRMNTS	\$	158.00
IA DEPT OF REV- PAYROLL	STATE TAXES	\$	1,534.41
ICAP	PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$	34,042.00
IMFOA	MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL	\$	50.00
IPERS	REGULAR IPERS	\$	2,083.83
JUSTIN DUNNINGTON	PR ADVANCE	\$	1,770.00
MENARDS - SIOUX CITY	BATTERIES/BITS/GDOOR OPENERS	\$	170.87
METERING & TECHNOLOGY	NEW METER LSL	\$	2,268.85
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$	3,639.91
MIDWEST ALARM	QTRLY ALARM MONITORING	\$	96.00
SAAP BROS	FUEL FOR TOOLCAT	\$	23.30
STAPLES - SIOUX CITY	Coffee supplies, toilet paper	\$	73.77
TREAS ST IA	WET TAX 2-2023	\$	682.15
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$	1,844.06
WESTERN IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE & INTERNET	\$	634.03
WIT	CCPR RENEWAL FIRE DEPT	\$	66.00

Claims by fund: General \$35,097.52, Fire \$10,690.03, Road Use Tax \$2,464.29, Water \$10,911.53, Sewer \$1,730.61

Revenues by fund: General \$18,382.18, Fire \$8,438.54, Road Use Tax \$6,255.84, Local Option Sales Tax \$13,411.54, Water \$12,533.11, Water Deposit \$100, Sewer, \$14,432.50