

LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DATE January 11, 2022

The Lewistown City Council met in regular session in the council chambers. Mayor Douglas Lafary called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Pastor Brant Reed

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Alderperson Sally Clark, Jim Long, Kendall Miller, Kim Pascal, John Spotloe and Mayor Doug Lafary. Also present: City Clerk Cindy Goddard, and Public Works Director Evinn Palmer. ABSENT: Alderperson Brad Ward and Treasurer Debby Brown

DECLARATION OF QUORUM by Mayor Doug Lafary

CLERKS REPORT/MINUTES: Cindy Goddard. New contract with IDOT regarding the Stop Lights, they are reimbursing the City 100% of Ameren bills starting this year now instead of 75%.

Alderperson Clark made a motion to approve the minutes of December 14, 2021, second by Alderperson Spotloe roll call vote, the motion carried all ayes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Debbie Brown. Absent.
Treasurer's report presented to Aldermen and Mayor Lafary.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Nathan Collins. Absent

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Keith Plavec. No Engineer present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Insurance/Zoning – Alderperson Clark: Nothing to report.

Sewer – Alderperson Spotloe: Nothing to report.

Streets & Allies – Alderperson Miller: Complimented street department on great job with the snow.

Police/ESDA – Alderperson Ward: Absent.

Water – Alderperson Miller: Nothing to report.

Utilities/Publications – Alderperson Long: Nothing to report.

Public Buildings & Grounds – Alderperson Long: Would like to get new heaters for ground storage they are at least 30 to 40 years old and no replacement for them at this time. Need propane or natural gas if electricity goes off. Also need new heaters for the lab down at water department, also heaters for Elm Street Garage. Evinn Palmer PW Director, said some of the buildings have been insulated but that is all, heat just runs 24-7. Need all new roofs, and gutters.

Maybe look for grant to help get buildings fixed up or compare getting something built more efficient. Alderperson Long said if a black/brown out for 3 or 4 days that the city would be without water. This is something we need to work on. Mayor mentioned that the basement at City Hall is looking great thanks to Sara Bainter painting and cleaning.

Tourism – Alderman Pascal: Nothing to report.

Tax Increment Financing – Alderperson Spotloe: Later on Agenda.

Citizens Committee – Amanda Smith not present. City Clerk mentioned that two grant were submitted by Amanda, one for “Rebuild Downtown” and one for the Blacksmith Shop.

Christmas Committee - Kenny Haacke not present.

WORKS DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Evinn Palmer Director reports on the unaccounted-for water report was given to the Alderman comparing 2019,2020 and 2021. All lights in all buildings have been changed to LED thanks to a grant from Ameren, so lights were free. Street lights on Main Street will eventually be changed to LED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Approve Ordinance and Amendment to Jean Jockisch D.B.A. Healing Springs Cottage TIF Agreement adding Jack R. Simmons and Billie K. Simmons as Developers – City Clerk explained that the work is being paid for by Jack and Billie Simmons because they own the building and they were not listed on the original ordinance so to pay them an Amendment needs approved. Motion by Alderperson Spotloe to approve the Ordinance and Amendment to Jean Jockisch D.B.A. Healing Springs Cottage TIF Agreement, second by Alderperson Clark, roll call vote motion carried all ayes.
2. Discuss/Approve payment of PPRT to the Lewistown Carnegie Public Library District –City Clerk explained this is an amount given to the library. It is 19.6% of the Personal Property Replacement Tax the city gets from the State and Township. Alderperson Miller made a motion to approve payment of PPRT to the Lewistown Carnegie Public Library, second Alderperson Pascal roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.

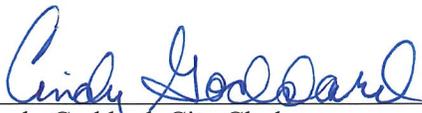
PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

Alderperson Miller made a motion to approve all bills properly endorsed; Seconded by Alderperson Clark roll call vote, the motion carried with all ayes.

CLOSED SESSION: No closed session

ADJOURNMENT:

Alderperson Spotloe made a motion to adjourn at 6:56 p.m.; Seconded by Alderperson Miller motion carried all ayes.


Cindy Goddard, City Clerk