

LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
DATE January 25, 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 Shane Smith

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

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM** by Mayor Doug Lafary

**CLERKS REPORT/MINUTES:** Cindy Goddard.

Alderperson Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of January 11, 2022, second by Alderperson Clark roll call vote, the motion carried all ayes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Debbie Brown. Nothing tonight.

**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. City Clerk reported that going to start working on the new budget on February 7.

Sewer – Alderperson Spotloe: Nothing to report.

Streets & Allies – Alderperson Miller: Nothing to report.

Police/ESDA – Alderperson Ward: Nothing to report. Something under new business.

Water – Alderperson Miller: In unfinished business.

Utilities/Publications – Alderperson Long: Thanked Evinn and city workers for taking time to talk to him and explain things since he is new.

Public Buildings & Grounds – Alderperson Long: City workers have been cleaning all buildings and scraping iron, checking into heaters, so going to get heater for fair grounds and would like to get rid of the heater running 24-7. Going to insulate and work on roofs to help cut down Ameren bills. Need four heaters in Waste Water building. Maybe move some around depending on insulation and size of building.

Tourism – Alderman Pascal: Nothing at this time.

Tax Increment Financing – Alderperson Spotloe: Nothing at this time.

Citizens Committee – Amanda Smith not present but sent message that another small funding opportunity for downtown beautification, suggested murals for buildings. Evinn Palmer and Cindy Goddard had discussed a patriotic mural on side of Rocket. Mayor has been asking around about someone to paint them.

Christmas Committee - Kenny Haacke - Going to have meeting on Monday January 31 at 6:00 at Visitors Center for the next Downtown Christmas. Had 44 Christmas trees this year hopefully near 60 next year.

**WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – Evinn Palmer Director – They got all Christmas stuff down and put away. They have been cleaning all buildings. Going to order the new LED street lights tomorrow now only \$10.00 a bulb, original \$168.00 each, this is an Ameren rebate. A few things freezing up with a few water breaks, not bad.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Approve accepting Letter from Brock Waller conveying Water Line on Scovill Hill Lane to the City of Lewistown – Letter presented to the Alderman signed by Brock Waller conveying water line located on North Scovill Hill Lane to the City of Lewistown, Alderperson Miller made a motion to accept the letter of conveyance to the City of Lewistown, second by Alderperson Spotloe, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Approve Police Department purchasing Radar equipment, also light and siren control box for Durango – These last a while and are needed. Motion by Alderperson Ward to approve purchasing Radar equipment and light and siren control box for the police department, second by Alderperson Miller, roll call vote motion carried all ayes.

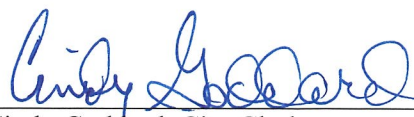
#### PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

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

**CLOSED SESSION:** No closed session

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Alderperson Spotloe made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.; Seconded by Alderperson Miller motion carried all ayes.

  
Cindy Goddard, City Clerk

POLICE COMMITTEE MEETING  
January 31, 2022

The Police Committee met in the Lewistown Council Chambers on January 31, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Alderperson Jim Long, Brad Ward, Mayor Doug Lafary, Chief John Werland and City Clerk Cindy Goddard.

Chief Werland is considering leaving his position when his teaching starts possibly July, so he needs to step down as Chief. Teaching may be part-time but he wants to be able to go when they call. Chief Werland said he can't even get someone to apply as full time. He understands can't be a part time Chief. His school will be done this summer like July. The new part timer has not been here long enough, and doesn't know if he would be a good Chief. The newest full timer is young and new. Pay is issue, full time is \$17.00. Havana is around \$21.00, part time \$17.50. Farmington is also higher. Our previous part timers have taken chief and sergeant jobs other places. Right now, the city has 3 part-timers, with 1 full time and a Chief. Wants the Aldermen to consider all this when time for raises for the budget. Maybe only do peak shifts was suggested by Mayor Lafary. IMRF hours were discussed whether full time or part-time. Ad to be put in paper for all positions, Chief, full and part-time. Will see if get any applications.