

UTILITIES, BUILDINGS, & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING

February 11, 2025

Lewistown City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS – Chairman Jim Long, Alderperson Dave Levingston, and Sally Clark.

BUSINESS TO DISCUSS – Discuss obtaining cameras for the City Hall Building. Chief Ford has requested that cameras be installed on the City Hall Building. The prices vary at different places such as Best Buy and Amazon. There could be a \$10.00 monthly fee. WiFi would be simpler than hard wire, but do not want to have to change batteries continuously. To get on a computer or phone will need to get a subscription. Discussions if hard wire or battery operated cameras, most prefer hard wire. Maybe compare brands like Bling to Blink. Next discussion why do we need these it was asked if there had been any problems, answer was no, just hoping to prevent any problems. Adjourned at 6:13 p.m. by Chairman Jim Long.

LIQUOR LICENSE COMMITTEE MEETING

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS – Commissioner Mayor Doug Lafary, Kevin Delmastro, Linda Helle, Alderperson John Spotloe, Sally Clark. Alderperson John Spotloe had to leave meeting. Alderperson Spotloe returned at 6:22 p.m.

BUSINESS TO DISCUSS – Discuss implementing a limit of poker machines in a business that has a liquor license. They want to discuss how many poker machines in town. Alderperson Clark talked to Canton Mayor he says they do not control how many machines. The state controls the statutes. Alderperson Levingston said how it sounds is that they (the present business) do not want any more businesses in town. The state does come in once a year and does inspections and requires finger prints. Population has gone down. One business owner said Cuba capped their poker machines so the state must not control it. There is a 6 max per business per the state requirement. Kevin Delmastro suggested have the attorney check into the rules. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. by Commissioner Doug Lafary.

LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE February 11, 2025

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: Mayor Doug Lafary

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Alderperson Sally Clark, Jim Long, Kendall Miller, David Levingston, John Spotloe and Mayor Doug Lafary. Also present: City Clerk Cindy Goddard, City Treasurer Debby Brown, Administrative Assistant Natalie Nelson, Public Works Director Evinn Palmer, Police Chief Chris Ford and City Attorney Nathan Collins. **ABSENT:** Alderperson Brad Ward.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM by Mayor Doug Lafary

CLERKS REPORT/MINUTES: Cindy Goddard.

Aldersperson Spotloe made a motion to approve the minutes of January 28, 2025, second by Aldersperson Clark, the motion carried all ayes.

Report- None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Debbie Brown. Nothing.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Nathan Collins. Nothing.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

Sewer – Aldersperson Spotloe: Nothing to report.

Streets & Allies – Aldersperson Levingston: Nothing to report.

Police/ESDA – Aldersperson Ward: Absent but Denny Pasley said there is a new member on ESDA, training next month for storm spotter, need to be added to get notified when fire, six mobile radios in city trucks now, trying to get everything set for storm season including radar. Total of 11 members now for ESDA.

Water – Aldersperson Miller: Nothing at this time.

Utilities/Publications – Aldersperson Long: Nothing to report.

Public Buildings & Grounds – Aldersperson Long: Later in meeting.

Tourism – Alderman Miller: Fish fry by American Legion was announced by Aldersperson Sally Clark and spaghetti benefit for the Downtown Christmas is scheduled for March 29 at the VFW was announced by Cindy Goddard.

Tax Increment Financing – Aldersperson Spotloe: Nothing.

Citizens Committee – Amanda Sutphen not present.

Christmas Committee - Kenny Haacke not present.

Economic Development Committee – Erin Ahart not present.

WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Evinn Palmer Director said he has been working on ground storage project. International truck is back from getting fixed. Garage door will get

worked on during the weekend so work activities are not interrupted. Had a couple water main breaks recently and just waiting on snow to begin now.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Act Upon Obtaining camera's for the City Hall Building – Police Chief Ford has requested these. Different prices between Best Buy and Amazon. The committee discussed the difference between hard wire and batteries, they prefer hardwire. The monthly cost is around \$10.00. They can be run thru the internet at the building at no cost. Table at this time.
2. Discuss/Act Upon Implementing a limit of poker machines in a business that has a Liquor License - Alderperson Clark made a recommendation that Attorney Collins look into what the city can do. The aldermen feel if there is a cap on the poker machines now because there is a cap on the liquor licenses. No police issues with any poker machines per Chief. Table at this time.
3. Discuss/Act Upon Establishing Natalie Nelson on the City of Lewistown Bank accounts, and removing Levi Peitzmeier off of the Bank accounts - Motion by Alderperson Spotloe to approve Natalie Nelson be put on the City of Lewistown Bank accounts and removing Levi Peitzmeier, second by Alderperson Clark, 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 Miller made a motion to adjourn at 7:12 p.m.; motion carried all ayes.


Cindy Goddard, City Clerk