

Minutes – Lynd City Council Meeting February 18, 2025

Mayor Justin Guggisberg called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm to review city clerk-treasurer applications. Five applications were chosen to call for interviews. Interviews were scheduled for March 10th starting at 5 pm.

Candidates for Interviews:

Joel Hammer
Contessa Baartman
Michael Sumerfelt
Jennifer DeRuyter
Marie Schuelke

Mayor Justin Guggisberg called the regular meeting of the Lynd City Council to order at 6:15 P.M. Justin Guggisberg, Jerry Sodemann, David Reaves, Josh Bruley and Shantel Williams present.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes

January 21, 2025, Council Minutes – Jerry made a motion to approve the minutes, Josh seconded, and all voted in favor.

Approval of the Agenda

Additions/Deletions to agenda – Additions. Public Work Report-jury duty, Clerk's Report-city auditor. Shantel made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions, David seconded, and all voted in favor.

Open Forum

Council Member Input

Mayor Justin Guggisberg:

Councilman Jerry Sodemann:

Councilman David Reaves:

Councilman Josh Bruley: Duinink Inc Quote for Lynd Public School parking lot reconstruct \$155,998.00 and Lynd St. 2nd mill/overlay plus full replacement areas \$105,387.00. Discussion. Josh will contact the school if they still want to do their parking lot. If not, Josh will get a new quote from Duinink without the school parking lot.

Councilwoman Shantel Williams:

Fire Report

Fire Chief, Dillon Schultz – One fire call. Josh Johnson gave Lynd Fire and Rescue 5- and 10-year plan. Dillon stated we have a new firefighter, Lincoln Graven. Lincoln is in a probationary period for 6 months. Shantel moved to approve Lincoln Graven on Lynd Fire and Rescue, Jerry seconded, and all voted in favor. David made a motion to approve the fire report, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Law Enforcement Report

Sergeant Adam Connor– Presented January 2025 incident analysis report. January was uneventful. Jerry made a motion to approve the sheriff's report, Josh seconded, and all voted in favor.

Public Works Report

Dillon reported:

1. Infinity Hills pump 2 – Electric Pump Quotes-Pump rebuild \$18,622.00, New pump \$28,684.00. Current pump is rated for 208 service, it is a 240 service to the pump. Rebuilding the current pump, it would still have electrical issues. Electric pump brought a spare pump from Sacred Heart with a 240 service they installed for now. Discussion. Will discuss at March meeting.
2. Silver Smith GIS update – tablet and marking device were delivered. Dillon will take it to the Mn Rural Water Conference and get firsthand training.
3. AMI Blade on Payloader – RDO has the parts for the payload.
4. Dillon was called for jury duty starting April 1st for 4 months.

Josh made a motion to approve the Public Works Report, Jerry seconded, and all voted in favor.

Accounts Payable

Sue presented the February 2025 Accounts Payable. Jerry made a motion to approve the bills, David seconded, and all voted in favor.

Financial Report

Sue presented the financial reports for January 2025. Discussion on negative balance in Fire Dept Fund. Shantel made a motion to approve the financial report, Josh seconded, and all voted in favor.

City Clerk's Report

Sue reported:

1. Water Loss Ratio for January 2025 was 9%. The city billed residents for 637,098 gallons. LPRW billed the city for 703,000 gallons.
2. City Auditor Sara Oberloh will be here February 24th and 25th to do fieldwork for the 2024 audit.

Josh made a motion to approve the clerk's report, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Legal Issues

Attorney John Engels – no pending legal issues.

Old Business

Safe Routes to School Boost Grant – Discussion on items we can purchase for bike rodeo. Discussed having an air pump in Lynd. Sue will check with Kelly Corbin what can be purchased for the bike rodeo.

New Business

Bremer Certificate of Deposit for \$25,990.21 matures 3/30/2025. Sue will get new rates before March meeting from the banks.

Change the city office phone to cell phone due to dual verification process on various websites. Discussion. Justin stopped at Verizon to get information on creating a business account for the city. Currently Dillon's city cell phone is on his account. That would be moved to the city account.

301 W Railroad St property scheduled to go on Lyon County forfeited land sale in April 2025. Bid would start at \$8,523.67. Discussion on city purchasing the property. Attorney Engels stated the city would be restricted to resell it. Someone else could buy the property and resell it to the city. Lyon County Board of Commissioners is meeting on April 16, 2025, forfeited properties will be on the agenda.

City Pond Project – Discussion on future pond project.

Approve 2025 Budgets Fund 205, 206, 207, 210, 225, 230, 601, 602, 603, 604. Justin made a motion to approve the budgets, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Committee Reports: Roads – Josh and Shantel
EDA – Justin and David

Adjourn

Jerry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Mayor Justin Guggisberg

Clerk/Treasurer Sue Paradis