

June 12, 2023

The Larchwood City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 5:30 pm. Council members present were: Mayor Snyders, Candie Medema, Holly Horstman, Tanner Tracy and Mike Metzger. Shane Reinke was absent. Others in attendance were: Sandi DeSmet, Carla Manning, Austin and Tony DeSmet, Jennifer Moser and Sheriff, Stewart Vander Stoep.

Mayor Snyders called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Sheriff Vander Stoep stopped by for a yearly visit to see if there were any concerns from the Council. There was discussion about jake-breaking and speeding.

Carla Manning had some items in the Church Park that needed to be fixed or eliminated. It is unclear whose responsibility they are, so Sandi will check it out.

Tony DeSmet gave his Maintenance Report: Did an excessive amount of mowing with Ty being gone. Did a stone reset at the cemetery, wastewater discharge is completed, softball scoreboards installed. Received new mower, had controller issue at Splash Pad, zone valves replaced at Baseball.

The Consent Agenda was approved on motion by Metzger, second by Tracy. Items on the Consent Agenda were: Minutes: May 8 & 22, 2023. Building Permits: 816 Carter-fence; 611 Fell Street-greenhouse, gazebo; 1418 Geiser Street-enclosed deck; 1015 Holder-addition. Cigarette Licenses: SportsCenter, Wildkat Junction, Larchwood Local. Liquor License: Larchwood Fire Dept, SportsCenter. Rebate: a/c 1125 Brown Street.

Ordinance 2023-4 Fell Street Stop Signs. Vehicles traveling West on Fell Street shall stop at Park Drive. Vehicles traveling East on Fell Street shall stop at Park Drive, motion by Horstman, second by Medema to approve this Ordinance. Roll Call vote: Horstman-aye, Metzger-nay, Tracy-nay, Medema-aye, Reinke-absent. This Ordinance will be brought for a 2nd reading at next month's Regular Meeting.

Resolution 2023-26 Revoking Title IV, Chapter 1: Traffic Code Squealing of Tires for July 7, 2023 from 7:00 to 8:00 pm on Broadway Street. The Sports'Center would like to close down Brown Street from Broadway Street to the alley on Saturday, July 8, 2023 for outdoor music. Motion by Metzger, second by Tracy to approve the Resolution. Roll call vote: Horstman-aye, Metzger-aye, Tracy-aye, Medema-aye, Reinke-absent.

Sandi informed the Council about upcoming Solar Interconnection Standards that must be put into place.

The Council went into Closed Session per Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(i) at 6:03 pm on motion by Metzger, second by Tracy. Roll call: Horstman-aye, Metzger-aye, Tracy-aye, Medema-aye. Mayor Snyders opened the Closed Session at 6:33.

Resolution 2023-27 Setting Salaries for Full Time Employees of the City of Larchwood raises Sandi and Tony's wages by 8.5% on motion by Tracy, second by Metzger. Roll call vote: Horstman-aye, Metzger-aye, Tracy-aye, Medema-aye. Motion by Metzger, second by Medema to raise the Council's wages to \$100 per meeting and the Mayor to \$500 per month and \$100 per extra meeting. Roll call vote: Horstman-aye, Metzger-aye, Tracy-aye, Medema-aye, Reinke-absent. This raise will take place after the next election. Discussion was held by Horstman suggesting a \$500 bonus for Tony and all his hard work last Winter.

The Meeting was then adjourned at 6:35 pm on motion by Tracy, second by Metzger. Next meeting will be a Special Meeting on Wednesday June 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm to discuss new maintenance position hire. Next Regular Meeting will be Monday, July 10, 2023 at 5:30 pm.

I have received and reviewed the June 12, 2023 Minutes on July 10, 2023.

Dean Snyders, Mayor

Sandi DeSmet, City Clerk