

January 13, 2025

The Larchwood City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, January 13, 2025 in the Larchwood Community Center. Council members present were Mike Metzger, Ned Hodgson, Candie Medema, Shane Reinke and Tanner Tracy. Mayor Snyder was absent. Others in attendance were: Sandi DeSmet, Tony DeSmet, Matt Bouwman, Traci Wibeto, Steve Simons, Carla Manning, Lauren Steers and Jen Smit.

Mayor Pro-Tem Metzger called the meeting to order at 5:30 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A Thank You Note was received from Sylvia Van't Hul for her Christmas Bonus. Ned & Shane gave updates on the gym: had 2 open houses, received good input and ideas, most people are positive about it. Will be getting another estimate for demolition. Had 330 responses to the survey, thank you to all that responded. Jordan Metzger is working on layouts, they will start fundraising mid March and apply for a Lyon County Riverboat Foundation Grant in the Fall. Traci Wibeto with the Larchwood Community Group presented their budget and asked that the City continue their contract for the Christmas Lights on Broadway Street. Steve Simons presented the Council with the Larchwood Economic Development Year End Report, there are 9 lots left to be sold.

The Consent Agenda consisted of December 9, 2024 Minutes with a correction from Shane that Doug and Elaine Cherry were left off of the members present. Building Permit: 803 Church Hill Drive-storage shed. Liquor Licenses: Chud's & TFC, LLC. These items were approved on motion by Reinke, second by Hodgson. All ayes.

Tony DeSmet gave the Maintenance Report: Fans repaired in the Rec Center, street light repairs and replacement, cords replaced at rec center, maintenance on loader, new tvs installed at the rec center and shelter house, Mark Ripperda is retiring so we will need to look for a new employee. Would like to budget money for a new boomtruck, REC will be selling some in the next three years.

The City received a quote from Northland Seamless for gutter on the shelter house. Will need to get another quote that includes leaf guard.

Received a contract renewal of the Northern Plains Fitness Maintenance Contract. Motion by Reinke, second by Hodgson to discontinue. All ayes.

Resolution 2025-7 Setting salaries for new employees at the Library. Scott Kerkvliet, Ken Kerkvliet, Tiffany Radford \$14.50 per hour was approved on motion by Reinke, second by Tracy. Roll call: Tracy-aye, Medema-aye, Hodgson-aye, Reinke-aye.

Resolution 2025-8 Establishing Mileage Reimbursement of \$.70 per mile was approved on motion by Tracy, second by Reinke. Roll call: Medema-aye, Tracy-aye, Reinke-aye, Hodgson-aye.

Resolution 2025-9 Establishing Depository and Maximum Deposit Amounts was approved on motion by Tracy, second by Reinke. Roll call vote: Medema-aye, Tracy-aye, Hodgson-aye, Reinke-aye.

The Council was given the Gross Wages Report and the Library Budget.

The meeting was then adjourned at 5:59 pm on motion by Tracy, second by Medema. Next meeting will be February 10, 2025 at 5:30 pm.

Sandi DeSmet, City Clerk