

City of Lincoln Regular Board Meeting  
March 9, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.  
Lincoln Community Building, 122 E. Main Street  
Minutes

The Board of Aldermen of Lincoln, Missouri, met on March 9, 2015 at 7:00 P.M., at the City Hall in Lincoln, Missouri, where the following officials were present or absent as indicated:

|                              | <u>Present/Absent</u> |
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| Troy Bartley, Mayor          | Present               |
| Janice Swearngin, Alderwoman | Present               |
| Jack Lietzke, Alderman       | Present               |
| J. D. Johnson, Alderman      | Present               |
| Rowena Lietzke, Alderwoman   | Present               |

Others Present: Dana Lynde, Chad Yearout, Michelle Paxton, Josh Young, Loretta Szobodi, Carrie Strathman, Chris Sanders, Carl Williams, Sylvia Moore, Shannon Ebeling, John King, Pastor Anchul Axelrod, Theresa Bartley, Public Works Director Dustin Koll, Police Chief Mickey Mittlestadt and Deputy City Clerk Dawn Paul.

Mayor Bartley called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Opening Prayer: The opening prayer was given by Pastor Anchul Axelrod.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Johnson and seconded by Swearngin. The motion passed with each member present voting aye.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2015, regular meeting, as written was made by Swearngin and seconded by Johnson. The motion passed with each member present voting aye.

Bills: A motion to pay the March bills with additions was made by Johnson and seconded by Swearngin. The motion passed with each member present voting aye.

Park Board: Dana Lynde talked the council about the park board limited budget in regards to mowing and the renovation of the softball field. The park board has an annual income of around \$14,000 (Fourteen Thousand Dollars) with a few additional resources of income such as concession stand sales, building rentals and fund raisers.

The council and Koll discussed the mowing options presented from the park board, such as the city take over the mowing, mowing part of the parks, to paying

half of the contracted amount. Koll suggested hiring a person dedicated to the park. After a long discussion the council decided to table the mowing decision till a later time.

The park board requested \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) donation to help with the renovation of the soft ball field. The park board members emphasized that the renovation would bring in additional tax monies for the city if the softball field was tournament ready. A discussion regarding the bids, what the softball field issues were, and when the money was needed ensued.

A motion to pay \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to renovate the softball field was made by Swearngin and seconded by Johnson. On a call by the Chair for a roll call vote the motion was tied with Swearngin – aye R. Lietzke– nay, J. Lietzke – nay, Johnson – aye Bartley – aye.

Dana Lynde, Chad Yearout, Michelle Paxton, Josh Young, Carrie Strathman, Chris Sanders, Carl Williams, and Shannon Ebeling left the meeting.

A brief recess was held.

Reports: **Police Chief:** The Chief informed the council the purchased police cars were on the road and would be decaled soon. Green’s charger had a small oil leak and was taken care of under warranty. The old police cars were having the decals removed. Green’s old car still needed to have the transmission looked at before it could be sold. The council would like to know the cost of fixing the transmission prior to completing the work.

The Chief presented the council with the monthly Police Activity Report.

The Chief informed the council the tornado sirens worked as expected during the statewide tornado drill on March 3, 2015.

**Public Works Director:** Koll informed the council that he would like to see regulations for portable buildings/structures in the city code book. The council discussed the issue and would like additional information available before finalizing an ordinance.

Koll informed the council the public works department had pushed snow, spread salt and had a few water leaks during the past month. He was also called out on February 10<sup>th</sup> for a sewer backup due to fish tank rocks on Elm Street.

**City Clerk:** Paul reminded the council that City Clerk Johnson was in training for the week and then she was taking several vacation days.

Paul requested that several of the past due water bills be moved to the bad debt account. The council decided to send registered letters through the attorney and attempt to collect on the past due water bills.

A motion to send Mr. Jesse Vogler, Mr. James Vogler, and Mr. Ed Byler a registered letter through the city attorney to demand payment according to the MO Statue 250.140.1 was made by J. Lietzke and seconded by Swearngin. On a call by the Chair for a roll call vote the motion passed with Swearngin – aye, J Lietzke – aye R. Lietzke – aye Johnson – aye.

Ordinance Book Discussion: Mayor Bartley and the council had a discussion on some of the nuisances around the city. He would like to see the city get cleaned up. Mayor Bartley wanted to make sure the city is enforcing the ordinances set according to the Lincoln Code Book. He would also like to make sure that the ordinances are consistent and changes are reflected as soon as possible.

Water Billing Procedures Discussion: Mayor Bartley wanted to make sure that the city is following the billing procedures set according to the Lincoln Code Book.

Miscellaneous: Swearngin reminded the council that the city wide garage sale was Saturday, May 2, 2015 and the following Tuesday, May 5, 2015 will be the city wide clean up. Swearngin also asked the public works department to help set up chairs and tables for future council meetings.

A motion to adjourn was made by Johnson and seconded by Swearngin. The motion passed and Mayor Bartley adjourned the meeting at 9:00 P.M.

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Dawn Paul, Deputy City Clerk

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Troy Bartley, Mayor

Attest:

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Dawn Paul, Deputy City Clerk