
Call To Order:

The regular meeting of the Lansing City Council was called to order by Mayor Mike Smith at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Mayor Mike Smith called the roll and indicated which Councilmembers were in attendance.

Councilmembers Present:

Ward 1: Gene Kirby

Ward 2: Don Studnicka and Marcus Majure

Ward 3: Jesse Garvey and Kerry Brungardt

Ward 4: Tony McNeill and Gregg Buehler

Councilmembers Absent: Dave Trinkle

Councilmembers Kirby, Majure, Brungardt, McNeill and Buehler were present via teleconference.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of Minutes: Councilmember Studnicka moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 19, 2020, as presented. Councilmember Garvey seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Audience Participation: Mayor Smith called for audience participation and no one came forward.

Presentations

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS:

Leavenworth County Port Authority Board Appointment: Councilmember Studnicka moved to appoint Dan Gutsall to the Leavenworth County Port Authority Board of Directors for a two-year term that will expire on March 25, 2022. Councilmember Garvey seconded the motion.

- Councilmember Kirby stated I just want to say I think he'll do a great job for us and I'm glad he offered to do the job. I think he'll do real good.
 - Mayor Smith responded I agree Gene. He's a good guy. He's been around town a long time. He's been part of that board anyway in one form or the other, so I totally agree.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Conditional Use Permit Renewal – 422 N. De Soto Road: Councilmember Studnicka moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit for 422 N. DeSoto Road. Councilmember McNeill seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

REPORTS:

Department Heads: Community & Economic Development Director Matthew Schmitz stated there is concern with the current COVID-19 situation, so the BBQ contest has been cancelled. If it was postponed, we'd be looking at the end of October and neither attendance nor good weather is guaranteed that time of year.

- Councilmember Garvey asked in lines with that where are we with the Independence Day Celebration if the pandemic extends into the summer.
 - Community and Economic Development Director Matthew Schmitz stated the deposit check has been cut for the vendor and last year they were very easy to work with when we couldn't have fireworks at Lansing Daze due to the wet conditions. He suggested pushing the Independence celebration out to August or September if needed. We can still get our money out of it that way.

City Attorney: City Attorney Greg Robinson had nothing to report.

City Engineer: City Engineer Matt Harding had nothing to report.

City Administrator: City Administrator Tim Vandall let the Council know surplus equipment will be sold on PurpleWave in the next couple of weeks. A couple of the vehicles don't run anymore but usually they sell. We will be selling a 2001 Ford Explorer, a 2002 F350, 2006 Dodge Charger and a 2012 Dodge

Charger. The Council previously discussed donating the football equipment from Parks and Recreation. We contacted our insurance company and they were fine with shoulder pads, jerseys, etc. being donated but there was some concern with the helmets. There will need to be further discussion on who the items will be distributed to though. While the BBQ contest has been cancelled, staff is debating on what will occur with the Fishing Derby and the Community wide garage sale. We aren't out any money if we cancel the garage sale and Parks & Recreation Director Jason Crum is looking into pushing the Fishing Derby into June if necessary. A dip in the Sales Tax is expected in the upcoming months and it's projected to be around a 25% loss. Our reserves will take a hit due to the pandemic.

Governing Body: Councilmember Garvey suggested everyone stay home. The sooner we can do that, the sooner this will be over. He wants everyone to be safe.

Councilmember Buehler thanked City Administrator Tim Vandall and City Clerk Sarah Bodensteiner for setting up the meeting so that many of us can still participate while staying home. He also provided a fun fact, on this day in 1917, President Woodrow Wilson asked Congress to declare war on Germany.

Councilmember McNeill asked that staff consider postponing City events instead of cancelling them because everyone is going to want to do things once they are able to leave the house again.

Councilmember Brungardt thanked Sarah for setting up the Zoom meeting and suggested the video version be used in the future.

Councilmember Kirby echoed what others stated about staying home and staying safe. We want this to end, so we need to stay home. He stated it's great that Council can meet this way so they can set an example by staying home.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Kirby moved to adjourn. Councilmember Garvey seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michael W. Smith, Mayor

Sarah Bodensteiner, City Clerk