

**CITY OF LE CENTER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017 - 7:00 PM**

**** MINUTES ****

I. CALL TO ORDER

Present: Mayor Fredrickson, C. Scott, D. Woelfel, J. Weiers
Absent: C. Harmeyer (Attorney Moran absent)

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Motion by Weiers, Seconded by Scott, Minutes from June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting be approved. Approved unanimously.

B) Council changes to Agenda: None

III. APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

Council reviewed the bills to be paid. Motion by Woelfel, Seconded by Weiers, to pay the bills listed and due. Approved unanimously.

IV. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & DEPARTMENTS

A) E.D.A. Report

Director Collins reported: No meetings/ nothing to report.

B) P & Z Report

1) Director Corey Block presented request by Dennis Woelfel/ Woods Edge Subdv. to re-locate the public utilities easement from original Lots 8 & 9 lot lines on the plat; over to Lots 7 & 8 lot lines, due to the previously approved re-platting of these lots. After much discussion: Motion by Scott, Seconded by Weiers, to allow the re-location of the public utilities easement line. Approved by 3-0 vote; Woelfel abstained.

C) Municipal Liquor Store

Manager Brad Collins gave the June report: Sales were \$80,164: up \$2,100 from May, and up \$7,000 from June 2016. YTD Revenues up by \$15,000 & YTD Exp. down by \$11,500. June GP margin = 35.26%. Food profit = 40.76%. Collins also reported: wrapped up June graduation parties/ July: had good 4th of July weekend/ first Sunday liquor sales day went really well/ July 22 is D.J. in the bar area.

1) Building renovation update: final walk-thru with general contractor to do yet/ signage was separate from the project; will contact them this week to check on that.

D) Police Department

Police Chief Pfarr reported on the police activities for month of June: 159 calls @ 2,507 miles patrolled/ total calls up 1%, total miles down 10% for 2017. Pfarr reported: see POST Board request for reimbursement of \$5,331.00.

1) ½ Year stats: nothing jumps out as irregular.

E) Water, Sewer, Streets, Parks Departments

Public Works Supt. Curt Roemhildt reported:

- Parks- playground equipment is removed from elementary school.
- Water- state lead & copper testing of 10 homes is commencing.
- Sewer- sanitary sewer collapse @ 31 South Maple Ave. is being fixed.

F) Bolton & Menk Engineering

1) Lexington Ave. Project: Engineer Hawbaker reported: last week, poor sanitary sewer connection @ 236 North Lexington Ave. was fixed/ final newsletters went out to all the residents on the project/ punch-list has been completed.

a) Chard final payment request: after much discussion about the final quantities used on the project and the invoice not being quite right; Motion by Woelfel, Seconded by Weiers, to pay Invoice #8 amount (less) the 5% retainage amount, leaving city some negotiating room for the final bill. Approved unanimously.

2) 2017 Mill and Overlay: WW Blacktop still hasn't scheduled us yet/ must be done before school starts!

G) County Fair Association: Nancy Stauff unable to attend/ No report.

H) Pool Report- Manager Dinwiddie reported: month of June took in \$24,841.50 so far. We've only been closed a few days for weather/ some weekends have been slow/ Cleveland = 35 kids and Waterville = 60 kids lessons/ 3 Teen nights @ Theme nights/ New "rules" signs are coming this week/ 3 private parties on Sat. coming in July/ Allie A. "early bird swimming" has gone over well.

V. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no petitions, requests, comments, or communications from the general public.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A) American Legion request to amend Special Event Permit (to close Park Ave.) from July 29 date to Aug. 5: Motion by Scott, Seconded by Woelfel, to amend and allow the closing of Park Ave. now on Aug. 5. Approved unanimously.

- B) American Legion letter request for “un-loading zone” on Park Avenue: After some discussion; Council generally was ok with an un-loading zone, but not used as handicap parking also. Staff write letter to Legion leaders inviting them to Aug. council meeting for clarity.
- C) Administrator Collins explained the action needed to continue the possible refunding of (2) older bonds by Ehlers Financial: approve the resolution now authorizing the issuance & sale of the bonds/ then receive & consider bids and award the sale on July 12 or later with Mayor and Administrator signing the agreement.
- 1) Motion by Scott, Seconded by Woelfel, to adopt **Resolution No. 2017E**, thereby providing for the issuance and sale of \$1,645,000 G.O. Improvement & Water Rev. Refunding Bonds Series 2017A, at a later date. Approved unanimously.

Collins announced that S & P had raised the city credit rating to A+ with stable outlook.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A) Consider City/ County Hwy Maintenance Agreement: County Commissioner Wetzel explained the reason for the reduced amount (\$2,656.54) from 2016. Motion by Scott, Seconded by Weiers, to approve the 2017 County Hwy Agreement for \$12,206.90. Approved unanimously.
- B) Councilman Harmeyer request to move the August 8 regular council meeting to a different date, due to his pending absence: after discussion; council generally agreed to leave the August 8 meeting date as scheduled, due to other councilmember’s schedules.

VIII. ADMINISTRATION & MISC.

- A) Set budget workshop meeting: after some discussion, council generally agreed to set budget workshop meeting for Wednesday, Aug. 2 @ 6:00 pm at city hall.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business; Motion by Woelfel, Seconded by Weiers, for Mayor Fredrickson to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously. 8:03 PM.