

The regular meeting of the Lamont City Council was held Wednesday June 8, 2022. Mayor Dozark called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Present: Behrens, Devlin, Lamphier, & Slack; Absent: Burlington.

Motion by Devlin, second by Slack to approve the consent agenda: a) June Agenda b) May Minutes c) Bills d) May Receipts e) May Treasurer's Report. All ayes; motion carried.

Angela Happel	Wages 5/20/22	450.00
Joe Opperman	Wages 5/20/22	1592.09
Paula Harvey	Wages 5/20/22	1413.05
Alliant Energy	Electric Service	1737.25
Amazon	Books/DVDs	253.34
American Legion Post #346	US Flags	245.00
Angela Happel	Mileage to Cty Supervisor Mtg	23.54
Bard Materials	Road Rock	437.08
Center Point Large Print	Books	45.54
Joanne Lamphier	Deposit Refund	150.00
Keystone Lab	Water/Wastewater Analysis	195.25
Ron Rule	Deposit Refund	75.00
RSP, PLLC	Legal Fees	832.50
Storey Kenworthy	Treasurer Receipt Register/GL	108.06
The Northway Corporation	Repair Tower Level Control - Well #2	1394.08
US Cellular	Cellphone Service	156.13
Visa	Ice/Postage/Fuel	53.25
Windstream	Phone Service	248.53
US Treasury	May 941 Tax	2077.67
IPERS	May Contributions	1325.09
Banklowa	I-Net/ACH Fees	6.60
Banklowa	Storm Water Loan Payment	14956.62
Angela Happel	Wages 6/3/22	476.04
Joe Opperman	Wages 6/3/22	1592.08
Paula Harvey	Wages 6/3/22	1413.05
Karen Kremer	Wages 6/3/22	21.47
Angela Happel	Mileage to Jesup - County Mtg	35.31
Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas Service	441.94
Casey Wessels	Deposit Refund	75.00
Fusion Forward	Service Agreement	450.00
Jane Seedorff	Deposit Refund	75.00
Jessica Haynes	Deposit Refund	75.00
Junk King of Iowa	Junk Removal at 915 Prospect	500.00
Kevin Haynes	Deposit Refund	50.00
Kluesner Sanitation	May Hauling	4000.60
Lindsay Lentz	Deposit Refund	75.00
Mary Ann Dozark	Mileage to BCEDC - Independence	27.12

Expenditures by Fund: General 6789.78, Road Use Tax 1601.93, Trust & Agency 657.32, LOST 975.26, Water 4346.01, Sewer 2850.40, Landfill 4905.96, Stormwater Sinking Fund 14956.62 **TOTAL 37083.28**

May Receipts: LOST 4376.63, Property Tax 5598.39, Franchise Fees 1171.42, RUT 2298.57, Fire Dept – Controlled Burn 1331.20, Fire Dept – Donations 800.00, City Services 19916.25, Interest 17.42, Rent/Camping 200.00, Library – County Contribution 11928.44, Library – Memorial 25.00, **TOTAL 47663.32**

During Citizen Input, a resident voiced concerns about the bricks falling on his apartment from the building next door and another resident voiced concerns about speeding on city streets and wanted speed bumps installed to slow people down. Council directed City Clerk to put on July meeting agenda.

Buchanan County Sheriff's Department logged 63.03 hours in May with calls for service being medical, intoxication, neighborly dispute, harassment, vandalisms, welfare check, suicidal incident, accident, domestic, and traffic stop.

Mayor Dozark opened public hearing on proposed adoption of an ordinance granting to Interstate Power and Light Company (Alliant Energy) a 25-Year Non-Exclusive Electric Franchise. No one appeared for or against said proposal. No comments written or oral had been received. Mayor Dozark closed public hearing. Motion by Slack, second by Behrens to approve the proposed adoption of an ordinance granting to Interstate Power and Light Company (Alliant Energy) a 25-Year Non-Exclusive Electric Franchise with a provision for the collection of an electric utility franchise fee of 4% to replace the Local Option Sales Tax on electric bills of Alliant Energy customers located in the City of Lamont. Ayes: Lamphier, Devlin, Behrens, & Slack. Motion carried. Motion by Lamphier, second by Devlin to approve the first reading of Ordinance #107 – adopting a 25-Year Non-Exclusive Electric Franchise to Interstate Power and Light Company (Alliant Energy) and imposing a franchise fee of 4% upon the gross revenue generated from sales of electricity by the Company within the corporate limits of the City. Ayes: Slack, Behrens, Devlin, & Lamphier. First reading was approved.

Fire Chief John Cook reported 1 fire, 1 mutual aid, and 5 medical calls since last meeting. Physical and Fit Testing are completed for the year. Mayor Dozark reported she had attended the BCEDC strategic planning meeting. Parks & Recreation asked about repairs at Scout Park. Public Works reported that slide was fixed, working on downspout and cameras. Nothing to report from other committees.

Public Works Director and Street Committee met with Randy from Prairie Road Builders to go over project worksheet and removed items 1, 7, 8, 9, & 10 totaling \$15, 813.75 for a total of \$29,639.05 for street repairs. Motion by Devlin, second by Lamphier to approve FY22 Street Repairs. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Slack, second by Behrens to approve INRCOG CDBG Housing Rehab invoices for \$112.96. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Lamphier, second by Devlin to approve cigarette sales permit application for Quick & Handi III. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Slack, second by Devlin to approve Class C Liquor License – LC (Commercial)/Sunday Sales/Outdoor Service Area(s) for The Alibi. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Behrens, second by Lamphier to approve revoking Resolution 21-14, Sale of City Property. Ayes: Devlin, Slack, Lamphier, & Behrens. Motion carried as Resolution 22-19. Motion by Behrens, second by Lamphier to amend Resolution 20-18 with City Attorney for sale of 330 Pine Street property. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Devlin, second by Slack to certify delinquent city service bills to property taxes for collection. All ayes; motion carried as Resolution 22-20.

Motion by Behrens, second by Devlin to adopt Resolution 22-21 setting employee wages for FY23. Ayes: Lamphier, Slack, Devlin, & Behrens: motion carried.


Three candidates were interviewed for the part-time Groundskeeper position. Motion by Lamphier, second by Devlin to hire Applicant #1. Ayes: Behrens, Slack, Lamphier, & Devlin; motion carried as Resolution 22-22.


Two candidates were set to interview for the part-time Compliance Officer position but only Applicant #1 showed up for interview. Motion by Devlin, second by Slack to hire Applicant #1. Ayes: Lamphier, Behrens, Slack, & Devlin; motion carried as Resolution 22-23.

Motion by Slack, second by Devlin to approve Resolution 22-24 setting public hearing for FY22 budget amendment #2. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Behrens, second by Lamphier to review City Code of Ordinances to include solar energy systems language regulating and permitting their use. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Devlin, second by Slack to adjourn. All ayes; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

  
Paula J. Harvey  
City Clerk

  
Mary Ann Dozark  
Mayor