

CITY OF LENOX
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 8, 2016 · 5:30 p.m. · City Hall

A regular meeting of the Lenox City Council was called to order by Mayor Douglas on February 8, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members answering roll call: Bowman, Adams, Vogel, Borland and Custer. Staff present included City Administrator, Tia Samo, City Clerk, Dawne Bowman, Public Works, Ryan Brown and City Attorney, James Varley. Other visitors were Ben French and Deputy Stenda.

Bowman made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Custer, all aye, motion carried. Vogel made a motion to approve 1/25/16 meeting minutes, seconded by Borland. Custer made a motion to approve the payment of the bills, seconded by Vogel, all aye, motion carried.

Repairs to City Hall will be on the next agenda.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a Fairway mower for the golf course. Custer discussed the options with the current mower could be traded in for possibly \$2,000 or sold outright for around \$4,000. Borland suggested advertising to sell the mower. Adams approved the purchase of the 2011 Fairway mower using LOST funds in amount of \$25,000, with the golf boards' discretion and authority to get rid of the old mower, seconded by Borland. Roll call votes-all ayes, motion carried.

Deputy Stenda reported for the Sheriff's Department and discussed the Citizen's Academy class.

Bowman made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Scot Trost and Kelly Freshour to the Golf Board for a term of 2 years, ending 2/2018, seconded by Custer, all aye, motion carried. Adams made a motion to approve re-appointment of Roger John and Joann Helm to the Low Rent Housing Board for term of 2 years, ending 2/2018, seconded by Vogel, all aye, motion carried. Custer made a motion to approve the appointment of Roger John to the Board of Adjustments to fill unexpired term of Paula Borland, ending 6/2018, seconded by Bowman, all aye, motion carried. Borland made a motion to approve the appointment of Clint Curtis to the Golf Board for term of 2 years, ending 2/2018, seconded by Bowman, all aye, motion carried.

There was a discussion on the purchase of a skid loader with attachments to replace some of the older equipment that is breaking down or costly to fix, such as the end loader. Ryan Brown discussed the purpose of this machine would be universal and would be used for the upcoming Maple Street project as well as other work being done, such as snow removal. Attachments that can also be purchased in the future if needed, such as a trencher, snow blower, and roll out buckets. Borland commented on the amount of time a skid loader would cut, versus the tractor currently used to do some jobs. Bowman made a motion to approve the purchase of the skid loader and necessary attachments (2 buckets and set of pallet forks) using LOST funds, seconded by Borland. Roll call votes-all ayes, Custer abstained, motion carried.

Discussion was held on fundraising for the Depot. Samo talked about the floors and foundation needing repairs and was encouraged to ask the public for help in the funding of this project. A Taylor County Endowment Grant application has been completed. There are questions concerning the preservation of the flooring and any costs involved with that. Samo discussed the

need for specific repairs that need to be done. It was recommended to get a bid on the repairs the floors and the foundation. Vogel suggested to have it inspected, as the windows are in bad shape as well. Borland encouraged advertising for the public's assistance with repairs, even though the amount needed for repairs is unknown at this time.

The Council agreed to have EMC Insurance conduct annual inspections of all City buildings at no charge.

Adams moved to adjourn the meeting, Custer seconded, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk