

MINUTES
City of Lewisville Regular City Council Meeting
January 8, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Mayor George Judd at 7:03 p.m. at the Lewisville Community Center at 3451 E 480 N, Lewisville, Idaho. Present were Mayor George Judd; Council Members, Del Heward; James Ball, Leisa Watkins and Mark Williamson; City Attorney, Kris Meek; Officer Mike Miller from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department; Clerk/Treasurer, Donetta Fife; residents and visitors Linda Linsenmann, Brigham Briggs, Mandy Buttars, Roslie Jones, Dick Jones, Wade Ball, Jennifer Ball, Trevor Belnap and John Ball.

ROLL CALL:

- Mayor Judd -- present
- Leisa Watkins -- present
- Del Heward -- present
- James Ball -- present
- Mark Williamson -- present

MINUTES:

- Minutes for the regular City Council meeting held December 11, 2019 had previously been distributed by the Clerk. Mayor Judd asked if everyone had received the minutes, all had. Del moved that the Minutes be approved, Leisa seconded, motion passed.

CLERK/TREASURER:

- A list of bills between December 12, 2019 and January 8, 2020 was presented. Mayor Judd asked if there were any questions. There were none. Del moved that the bills be paid, Leisa seconded, motion passed.

INSTALLATION OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

- Mayor Judd thanked Del Heward and Leisa Watkins for their dedicated service during the last four years. Each was presented with a gift certificate in appreciation for their service.
- Mayor Judd then officiated in the swearing in proceedings of the new Council Member, Linda J. Linsenmann, who was elected as a Council Member of the City of Lewisville for the remaining 2 years of a vacated 4-year term beginning January 2020. Linda pledged to discharge the duties of Council Member of the City of Lewisville according to the best of her ability. She then signed the Oath of Office and it was duly witnessed. She then took a seat on the Council.
- Mayor Judd then officiated in the swearing in proceedings of Council Member, C. James Ball, who was elected as a Council Member of the City of Lewisville for a 4 year term beginning January 2020. James pledged to discharge the duties of Council Member of the City of Lewisville according to the best of his ability. He then signed the Oath of Office and it was duly witnessed. He then took a seat on the Council.
- The Council then proceeded to elect a Council President. Mark nominated James, Linda seconded, motion passed.
- With a Council of three, Mayor Judd was able to appoint a fourth Council member. The mayor appointed Brigham Briggs as a Council member to serve until the next election. Brigham gave a

short bio to introduce himself. Mark moved that they accept the Mayor's appointment of Brigham Briggs as a new Council member, James seconded, motion passed.

- Kris Meek, City Attorney, clarified the fact that all Council members are called for 4-year terms. With the appointment of a Council member, they are appointed for a 4-year term but must run for election at the next City election in order to maintain their seat.

Mark moved that the Sheriff's Report be moved to later in the Agenda as the officer was on a call, James seconded, motion passed.

CODE CHANGE TO LEWISVILLE CITY CODE 4-1-3 – Commercial Vehicles Parked in the City Right of Way:

- The topic of the parking of commercial vehicles in the City right of way was discussed and the public was invited to comment. Donetta read the current code which reads as follows: "4-1-3 B. No commercial vehicles may be parked, stored or maintained upon any roads, streets, sidewalks, city rights of way, or highways."
- Upon request, City Attorney Kris Meek, read the definition of commercial vehicle from the Idaho Code as follows:
 - Commercial vehicle or commercial motor vehicle: A motor vehicle or combination of motor vehicles designed or used to transport passengers or property if the motor vehicle:
 - (i) Has a manufacturer's gross combination weight rating (GCWR) in excess of twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds inclusive of a towed unit with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds; or
 - (ii) Has a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) in excess of twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds; or
 - (iii) Is designed to transport sixteen (16) or more people, including the driver; or
 - (iv) Is of any size and is used in the transportation of materials found to be hazardous for the purposes of the hazardous material transportation act and which require the motor vehicle to be placarded under the hazardous materials regulations (49 CFR part 172, subpart F).

The following pros and cons were discussed:

- **Pros –**
 - Residents and businesses feel it would be more convenient to be able to park in the right of way rather than having to leave their vehicle at the business parking lot and drive a private vehicle back and forth to work.
 - Since there are limited parking areas for commercial vehicles, the right of way seems to be a reasonable place to park them.
 - Some businesses and residents have parked their commercial vehicles in the right of way for a long period of time.
- **Cons –**
 - Damage done in the right of way due to the size and weight of the vehicles
 - If commercial vehicles are allowed, we should also let RV's and trailers park there
 - It makes the City look undesirable for anyone living here or anyone who is looking for a home here
 - There are underground ditches that would be damaged by the weight of many of the commercial vehicles
 - Many trucks have refrigeration units that disturb the peace and quiet of the community and are in violation of the noise ordinance

After considerable discussion, it was determined that more research needs to be done on the pros and cons of the issue for a solution to the problem. Mark moved that the matter be tabled until the next Council meeting, Brigham seconded, motion passed.

POLICE REPORT:

- Officer Miller reviewed the police report between November 16, 2019 and December 13, 2019. There were 62 hours patrolling within the City with 8 complaints reported, 2 citation and 17 traffic contacts. Officer Miller reported to the Council that they have not been able to find the post for the speed sign due to the amount of snow we have had. It will be moved when the weather warms and the snow melts. He reported that the complaints were minor, which is a good thing for the City. There is one complaint of a disturbance that is being investigated so there is insufficient information in the report on it.
- The Council advised Officer Miller that since the railroad has removed the stop signs from the railroad crossings, the vehicle speed going through town has increased considerably and they should be aware of that. Kris advised that we could put up stop signs if we wanted, just not in the railroad right of way. There will be more discussion on that at a later time to see if we want to put up stop signs and where they should be located.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- Gary has been keeping up with the snow. We have had a couple of complaints, but the cause was not due to the City's plowing. Gary has been sanding less due to the fact that the stop signs have been removed and people are not required to stop there.

CITY ATTORNEY:

- Kris indicated that there is nothing of consequence in the Court system at this time.
- Jefferson County and the prosecutor's office are still working on the resolution of funds that may not have been disbursed to the City.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT:

- The Community Rental Policy in revised form was reviewed and a few additional changes were made. James moved that the Rental Agreement be accepted as modified, Mark seconded, motion passed. The Agreement will be available as soon as the changes are integrated.
- Donetta invited the Council to view the area by the drinking fountain. It appears that a renter had damaged the paint over the water fountain and instead of reporting the damage as required by the rental agreement, attempted to repair it themselves. The damaged area was not repaired and the wall was sloppily painted with the wrong color of paint. Donetta has not been able to determine who the culprit was. She suggested that we may want to invest in surveillance cameras in the Community Center as we have a lot of people going in and out of the Center with rentals. There was a discussion on what would be involved. James moved that we request 3 bids for security cameras, Brigham seconded, motion passed.
- FEMA training January 16, 2019 at the Courthouse from 2 to 4.
- The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is to be held on April 11, 2020. It was opened up for a volunteer to chair the hunt this year. There was no volunteer. Donetta agreed to chair it again this year. The Council agreed to help.
- A resident has suggested that it may be nice if the Community Center was decorated for the holidays and has volunteered to help with the decorations. The Council discussed what might be appropriate for a city government building. The matter was tabled until the ramifications could be considered.

- Donetta is working on the e-mail accounts for the Council so that the accounts would belong to the City and they would not need to use their personal account.

MAYOR REQUEST:

- Mayor Judd indicated the Impact Area Agreement is still in the works. Kris informed the Council that Mike Winchester, the assistant prosecuting attorney, is now handling the legal representation for Jefferson County Planning and Zoning. They are trying to bring him up to speed on what has been done in the past so he can move forward.

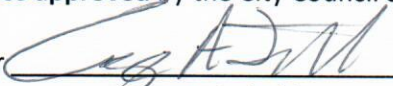
OTHER BUSINESS:

- The Council Members selected what area of focus they would like to be in charge of as follows:
 - Community Center Rental checks – Council Member James Ball
 - Community Center facility – Linda Linsenmann – she will update the inventory list
 - Beautification – Council Member Brigham Briggs
 - Roads – Council Member Mark Williamson

ADJOURNMENT:

Mark moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:26 p.m., James seconded, motion passed.

Minutes approved by the City Council of the City of Lewisville on the 12th day of February, 2020.

Mayor 
George A. Judd

Date 12 Feb 2020

ATTEST:

Clerk 
Donetta R. Fife

Date 2-12-2020