

MINUTES
CITY OF LEWISVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, December 9, 2020
Lewisville Community Center, 3451 E 480 N, Lewisville, Idaho

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Judd at 7:11 p.m. at the Lewisville Community Center at 3451 E 480 N, Lewisville, Idaho. Present were Mayor George Judd, Council Members, Mark Williamson, C. James Ball, Linda Linsenmann and Brigham Briggs; City Attorney, Kris Meek; Clerk/Treasurer, Donetta Fife; Officer Mike Miller from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department; Marvin Fielding from Keller & Associates; and resident Roxie Ashbocker and visitor Nichole Peter from Idahoan.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- Mayor Judd called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

- Mayor Judd -- present
- Mark Williamson – present
- James Ball -- present
- Linda Linsenmann -- present
- Brigham Briggs -- present

MINUTES:

- Minutes for the regular City Council meeting held November 11, 2020 had previously been distributed by the Clerk. Mayor Judd asked if everyone had received the minutes, all had. James moved that the Minutes be approved, Mark seconded, motion passed.

POLICE REPORT:

- Officer Miller presented the statistics for the current period of October 17, 2020 to November 13, 2020. There were 56 hours patrolling within the City with 17 calls, 1 citations and 15 traffic contacts. Lieutenant Bowen had also done a traffic observation on November 11, 2020 at 1:55 p.m. and 4:50 p.m. in an unmarked car to determine what the actual flow of traffic looks like. All speed checks were within 3 mph or below of the 35 mph maximum speed limit in Lewisville except 1 which was at 47 mph and then slowed down. These were lower than expected by the Council.
- The battery on the portable speed sign is not working and they will take care of the problem in the next couple of days. They will move the speed sign to 450 North or 500 North which seem to get the most speeding violations.
- James indicated that if Idahoan employees are ticketed for speeding in the City, they will not only get the speeding ticket but Idahoan will also put an HR offense in that person's file.

BUILDING PERMIT for Chris Hinckley. Mr. Hinckley did not respond to the e-mail and did not come before the Council.

FYBERCOM FRANCISE AGREEMENT – No one from FyberCom was in attendance to discuss the Franchise agreement with the City of Lewisville. The City Attorney said we will put this on hold until they contact us.

CITY SURVEY – RIGHT OF WAY TRANSFER

- Kris Meek, the City Attorney indicated that he had contacted Wayne DeSpain with regard to a land swap for the ground on which the road currently runs that is infringing on his property. He is open to negotiation.
- The Council discussed issues that have arisen and may arise upon the transfer of the right of way property. Those land owners that would gain property that is subject to easements are not behind the transfer while those who have no easements on their property are for the transfer. They discussed other problems that may arise. We have not received a property description from Thompson Engineering yet. George will reach out to Thompsons and see what is happening then the Council can actually vote on whether to transfer the property.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- Gary has already plowed the road a time or two. With the placement of the fiber-optic boxes, he will need to be careful not to plow up the boxes and interrupt service. George will get some reflective sticks to be placed where the boxes are so Gary won't plow them up.
- The shop light fixtures are in need of repair or replacement as the fixtures will not allow us to use the new bulbs we have. The Council decided that the replacement fixtures is within the maintenance budget and authorized him to replace them.
- The shop also needs a programmable thermostat so that it can be kept at a lower temperature when no one is in there.
- A second postcard needs to be sent to residents to clarify the snow removal policy that was discussed at the November meeting.

James moved that Marvin Fielding of Keller & Associates be allowed to present at this point instead of under Mayor's request.

WASTER WATER GRANT

- Marvin Fielding of Keller & Associates informed the City that they have been awarded an option to take a DEQ waste water grant that we had previously been denied for and is now available to the City of Lewisville due to another City's withdrawal. The grant application is due by March 1, 2021 and is a 50% match. This will help position the City of Lewisville for grant money for sewer that may be coming in the future. Keller & Associates can provide a template for the letter of intent. Donetta was instructed to put it on the Agenda for January 2021.

CITY ATTORNEY – no current cases.

CLERK/TREASURER:

- Donetta submitted a list of bills between November 12, 2020 and December 9, 2020. She asked if there were any questions. There were none. James moved that the bills be paid, Mark, seconded, motion passed.
- The broadband grant is due on December 15, 2020. Direct Communications has only a few hundred feet of cable to pull. They will have the certification to Donetta in the next couple of days so the Request for Funds can be submitted to the Department of Commerce. The Council asked about connection to individual households. The grant requires that one house be connected with service of at least 40 Mbps upload and a speed test in the form of a screen shot be provided. Other households will be connected as weather permits.

- Several requests for reimbursement to the City of Lewisville under the CARES Act have been submitted and funds have been reimbursed. There is one more submission that will be made in the next few days to cover several items that have been purchased out of City funds. All requests have to be in by 5:00 p.m. on December 11, 2020. Donetta asked for suggestions for other items that could be purchased.
- Imagine Idaho had a teleconference with cities within the State. They are in the process of petitioning the legislature for expanded broadband to cities who are in need of the services. They have asked for a donation. James moved that we contribute \$250.00 to the Imagine Idaho fund, Linda seconded, motion passed.
- The Christmas bonus for city employees and library board was discussed. The item is included in the current budget. The Council directed Donetta to purchase gift cards and send them. Since the library board receives no compensation for their efforts, this is the only thank you they get throughout the year.
- The Council also asked Donetta to add information on the broadband connection to the post card informing residents that connections will be made as weather permits.
- The wreath is up on the Community Center and lighted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mark moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m., James seconded, motion passed.

Minutes approved by the City Council of the City of Lewisville on the 13th day of January 2021.

Mayor _____
George A. Judd

Date _____

ATTEST:

Clerk _____
Donetta R. Fife

Date _____