

PROCEEDINGS OF LOWDEN CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014 7:00 PM CITY HALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Barry Hoffmeier.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council members present on roll call: Conrad, McCreight, Dean Hamdorf, Josh Hamdorf, Helmold. Visitors: Pat Kroemer, Kirk Steinke, Dale Axline, Jonathan Mouw, Abigail Kraemer, Rhonda Rohwedder, Aaron Rohwedder.

M/S Dean Hamdorf, Helmold to approve the consent agenda including the 5/5/14 and 5/20/14 minutes and bills with the following addition to the 5/20/14 minutes: total project costs for the McKinley Avenue project would be \$468,039.69 plus \$14,000 for materials furnished by the City. Ayes: All.

Council discussed financing for the McKinley Avenue project and how much to borrow and for what time frame. Mayor discussed the financing with Travis Squires, Piper Jaffray.

M/S McCreight, Dean Hamdorf to enter into a loan agreement for the amount of \$325,000 for the McKinley Avenue project. Ayes: All.

M/S Josh Hamdorf, Conrad to proceed with a loan agreement in the amount of \$325,000 over a 12 year period. Ayes: Conrad, Josh Hamdorf, Dean Hamdorf, Helmold. Nays: McCreight. Rex preferred a loan period of 15 years.

M/S Helmold, Josh Hamdorf to approve Resolution #14-07 setting a public hearing date of July 7, 2014, 7:00 PM, to enter into loan agreement in a principal amount not to exceed \$325,000 for the McKinley Avenue project. Ayes: All.

Council will meet on June 16, 5:30 PM, to approve distribution of the preliminary official statement relative to the McKinley Avenue financing. Ayes: All.

M/S Conrad, McCreight to authorize Mayor to execute contracts with JJJ Enterprises, Top Grade Excavating, and Determann Asphalt for the McKinley Avenue project. Ayes: All.

M/S McCreight, Dean Hamdorf to accept the only bid received from Donald W. Clark, \$325.00, for the sand/salt spreader that the City advertised. Ayes: All.

Galen, Dean and Kirk will meet this week to determine the cost for curb and gutter for the property owners on McKinley Avenue.

M/S Josh Hamdorf, Helmold to approve transfer of the Lowden Legion liquor license to Lowden Memorial Park on 8/2/14, Park Day. Ayes: All.

M/S Helmold, McCreight to waive the second reading of Ordinance #807, rezoning 309 Washington Avenue from C-1 to R-1, have the third reading and approve the ordinance. Ayes: All.

M/S McCreight, Dean Hamdorf to authorize Clerk to pay end of FY14 bills. Ayes: All.

Property owners at 704 McKinley, Rohwedder's, asked the council who would be responsible for installing new sidewalks at their house. Council told them it would be the homeowner's responsibility and it would be a good time to get the sidewalks done when the McKinley Avenue curb and gutter is being installed.

M/S Helmold, McCreight to approve a fence permit for Robyn Nims, and a liquor license for Lowden Legion, pending dram shop liability. Ayes: All.

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Kirk told the City Council they have been mowing foreclosure properties in Lowden weekly and wanted to know about filing liens for the charges on the properties at the courthouse. Council said to file the lien charges monthly.

Mayor told the council he will be attending an EOC disaster class this week in Tipton.

He also attended a class for the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazardous Mitigation Plan for Cedar County. It is updated every 5 years. There is a survey for Cedar County residents to fill out to give public input about disasters.

City Council acknowledged Craig Wiebel's resignation from the Lowden Cemetery Board.

M/S Josh Hamdorf, Helmold to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Ayes: All.

Barry Hoffmeier, Mayor

Peggy Kedley, City Clerk