

Lanesboro City Council

Regular Meeting

Monday, March 1, 2021

Meeting held in the Lanesboro Community Center Meeting Room and via Zoom

Present: Jason Resseman, Joe Goetzke, Mitchell Walbridge,, and Chase Bakke

Absent: Mindy Albrecht-Benson

Visitors: Tom Dybing, Officer Gideon Prudoehl, Jereme Suckow, Geoff Griffin, Michon Rogers, Rich & Cheryl Lamon, Brian Malm, Darla Taylor , Pauline Suckow, Hannah Wingert, Attorney Joseph O'Koren , Melanie Haugen, Phil Dybing , John Pieper, Jane Kansier , Ron Amdahl, Chris Goodwin, Jon Willford, John Dahle, Dan Rooney, Lester and Dianne Dunn, Andrzej Zalasinski , Sara Kling-Punt , Drue Ferguson , Barb Jeffers, Brooke Pfeffer, Michael Seiler, Jeff Lepper , Kara Maloney , Ceil Allen, Steve Sobieniak, and also on Zoom Jennifer? Vicki?, and Jane?.

Regular Meeting:

Mayor Resseman called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. **Agenda:** Member Walbridge motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all members in favor. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes:

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 1, 2021: Mayor Resseman motioned to approve the minutes as submitted . Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Minutes of the Rural Board Meeting, February 8, 2021: Mayor Resseman motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Minutes of the Special Meeting, February 12, 2021: Member Walbridge motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Member Goetzke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

C. Consent Agenda:

1. Accounts Payable
2. Resolution 2021-12 for Application
3. Resolution 2021-13 for Application

Member Bakke motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Member Walbridge seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all members in favor. Motion carried.

D. Department Reports:

- a. **Museum:** Board Member Jon Willford noted that after 10 years of service as the director Sandy Webb will be transitioning out. He thanked her for the work she has completed and encouraged

Council members to visit the museum. Willford then introduced Dan Rooney who will take over as Director of the Museum.

E. Project Reports:

- a. **Dam Project:** Engineer Chris Goodwin shared a time lapse video of the Lanesboro Dam Renovation Project.
 - i. **Pay Request:** Engineer Chris Goodwin noted that a pay request had not been received proper to the meeting. He expects that we will have an two additional pay requests to finalize the project.
 - ii. **Change Order:** Mayor Resseman noted appreciation to Ayers for their work on the project, as well as to ICON Construction for a job well done. Especially given the challenges of 2020, the project went very smoothly. Member Walbridge motioned to approve the Change Order request. Member Goetzke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll call with all in favor. Motion carried.
- b. **Wastewater Treatment Facility**
 - i. **Pay Request #3:** City Engineer Brian Malm provided a brief update on the project. Mayor Resseman motioned to approve Pay Request #3 in the amount of \$67,737.37. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

F. New Business:

- a. **Ambulance Appointment:** Mayor Resseman motioned to appoint Mindy Albrecht-Benson to the Ambulance Department. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
- b. **Development Proposal:** Mayor Resseman provided a timeline of how this discussion began. On January 19 Mr. Griffin contacted the office regarding a proposal for the Ford Garage for a potential development for the Fire Department. On January 21 we met to discuss the possibilities. At that time it was noted that an area on the southeast side of town was for sale. On February 4 we again met to discuss the opportunity for the Fire Department , Mr Griffin noted the possibility of a development on the land that was listed for sale. On February 12 Mr. Griffin notified the City that he had made an offer on the land and would be submitting a proposal, however he needed a commitment from the City to commit to the improvement of Hillside Avenue in order to move forward.

Mr Griffin then shared his plan to improve Hillside Avenue in order to provide access to his development, a picture of what the improvement could look like was also shared. Mr. Griffin also noted that he was willing to front the costs for the improvements, as well as for the installation of the utilities in exchange for a pay as you go TIF District creation. Mayor Resseman shared that the Council had previously denied a request for agricultural access on Hillside Avenue due to concerns for storm water drainage.

Member Goetzke motioned to approve the development proposal of Hillside Avenue from Mr. Griffin. Member Walbridge seconded the motion. Member Walbridge noted that the Cities Subdivision Ordinance was very helpful in understanding the process to approve a development of a subdivision. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Resseman motioned to allow Administrator Peterson to begin the negotiations for an orderly annexation of two parcels of land from Holt Township. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
- c. **Peddler Ordinance Review:** Administrator Peterson requested additional time to discuss with Chief Sass. Member Goetzke motioned to table the discussion. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

- d. **Review of Support Letter for SF50/HF121:** Member Goetzke motioned to approve issuance of a letter of support for SF50/HF121. Member Walbridge seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

G. Continued Business:

- a. **Comprehensive Plan Update:** Jane Kansier with Bolton & Menk provided a presentation on the updated version. Member Walbridge motioned to approve the updated Comprehensive Plan. Member Goetzke seconded the motion. Discussion followed that this document will be a working document to help guide future decisions for the City Council. An appreciation was noted for everyone's work on the plan. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
- b. **COVID Operations:** At this time things are going well, therefore no changes are recommended at this time.
- c. **Rural Taxing District:** Member Goetzke motioned to approve ordinance 35.02 as presented. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
- d. **Debris Removal Discussion:** Administrator Peterson noted that they have been waiting on a survey of the north property line in order to help determine a plan for the debris removal. The survey will be completed later this week and staff will work with the property owner to create a plan to submit to the Council at the April 5th meeting.

Next Meeting: Monday, April 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN: Member Bakke moved to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Motion seconded by Member Walbridge. Motion Carried all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Peterson
City Administrator/Clerk