

Lynnville City Council Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.
Lynnville City Hall

Mayor Mark Newberg was present.

Council Members present: Bailey Tompkins, Terry Fraker, Bev Van Maanen & Terry Needham.

Council Members Absent: Tanis Comegys

Guests: Faye Brand & Barb Martin

MEETING AGENDA: A motion was made by Tompkins, seconded by Van Maanen to approve the meeting agenda. All ayes, Motion carried.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: A motion was made by Tompkins and seconded by Needham to approve the April meeting minutes. All ayes, Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Hanging flower baskets for downtown will be ordered from James' Greenhouse.

NEW BUSINESS: Lynnville 150th Celebration: Fireworks: Fraker made motion to approve the J & M Fireworks contract, seconded by Van Maanen. All ayes, Motion Carried. Co-Line is sponsoring the fireworks show for the celebration. City will check with their insurance agent concerning special event insurance for the event. Barb Martin provided an update on all the activities. An additional dumpster at Old Setts was requested for the weekend for the garbage from the Friday night meal and activities. Martin also asked the council members to judge the parade entries as prizes will be awarded. Martin also requested that No Parking be allowed on Main Street on June 21 due to the parade and activities. Note for residents: Streets will be blocked off on 1st Street, Center Street and South Street for the day's activities (from Fire Station to Church) Also note that fireworks will be taking place at dusk on June 21 in case you have animals that this will affect. Rain date for fireworks will be Sunday June 22.

Ball Park parking lot is in need of repair, quotes will be sought to fix it.

LIBRARY FUND TREES: Library had 3 remaining trees left from their fundraiser. Bev Van Maanen purchased and donated one to Old Setts. She asked if the city would be willing to purchase the other 2 and also donate them to Old Setts. Tompkins made motion to purchase the trees and plant them at Old Setts, seconded by Fraker, 3 ayes, Van Maanen abstained, Motion Carried.

JASPER COUNTY HEARING LETTER: City received a letter from Jasper County Auditor concerning a public hearing to be held Tuesday June 9 at 9:30 a.m. selling a list of parcels within the city of Lynnville currently owned by the County. Some parcels for sale are city roads. Newberg contacted Supervisor Talsma who suggested that the city attend a supervisor's meeting.

Mayor Newberg plans to attend the meeting and encouraged other council to attend as well to discuss the parcels.

HESLINGA LAW LETTER: MELANIE RENAUD PROPERTY: An additional signed document is needed from Melanie Renaud before the recording and clear title can be completed. This oversight was not the City's mistake and the cost to complete is \$350.00. Tompkins made motion that since it was not the city's mistake but to get a clear title, the city will pay ½ the bill, seconded by Needham, all ayes, motion carried.

DOG COMPLAINT: City received a complaint from a resident concerning a neighborhood dog that attacked her cat on her property and makes her feel unsafe being outside. A letter will be sent to the dog owner concerning the complaint.

MAINTENANCE: Clerk Arthur reported sewer & water in compliance. Discharge has been completed. Rock needs to be applied at the lagoon.

Discussion took place of what city policies are needed/not needed. Clerk Arthur stated that the council needs to finalize the employee handbook that had been created.

Jay Martin has been volunteering his time by watering trees.

Clerk Arthur questioned if any volunteers would like to help place the flags at the cemetery for Memorial Day since the bank volunteers are no longer doing it.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

MONTHLY CITY AND PAYROLL CLAIMS: Motion was made by Fraker and seconded by Needham to pay the following claims. Motion carried.

Payroll	Wages	6097.66
Alliant	Electric and Gas	1695.35
Commercial Card Services	Services	1578.99
Demco	Supplies	99.58
Garden & Assoc.	Services	11966.69
Heslinga Law	Services	34.00
Hometown Press	Publishing	499.88
Ia. Dept of Revenue	Water Excise tax	388.19
Iowa Reg. Utilities Assoc.	Services	1955.00
IPERS	Wages	1198.63
IRS	Wages	2130.64
John Deere Financial	Supplies	1142.00
Key Coop	Supplies	341.00
Keystone/Microbac Lab	Services	263.50
Lynnville Construction	Services	8440.49
Lynnville Telephone Co.	Telecomm Charges	144.08
Midwest Sanitation and Recycling	Services	3649.97
Pat Norman	Services	61.40
Pella Keys & Locks	Services	119.31
Ratcliff & Blake Insurance	Insurance	277.00
Weld Works	Services	241.67

VMT	Website	117.00
Friends of Lynnville Library	Supplies	110.00
Christin Wilkins	Water Deposit return	113.09
Jeanette Schmett	Water Deposit return	50.00

Receipts -April 2025		Disbursements
General Fund	62292.76	15533.59
Hotel/Motel	0.00	0.00
Garbage	4089.67	3662.14
Library	8087.71	3966.53
LOST	3760.51	0.00
Road Use	3981.43	3460.73
Water	5735.05	4035.84
Sewer Utility	6270.00	4566.25

Tompkins made motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m., seconded by Fraker, all ayes,
Motion Carried.

Approved/Date_____Mayor

Approved/Date_____Clerk