

Lynnville City Council Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.
Lynnville City Hall

Mayor Mark Newberg was present.

Council Members present: Terry Fraker, Bev Van Maanen Tanis Comegys & Terry Needham.

Council Members Absent: Bailey Tompkins

Guests: Faye Brand, Jay Martin, Ken and Sheri Nady, Chris Tice, Trisha Van Wyk, Steve & Bonnie Hofer and Nick Arthur

MEETING AGENDA: Agenda was amended to 1st Street residents. A motion was made by Comegys, seconded by Van Maanen to approve the amended meeting agenda. All ayes, Motion carried.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: A motion was made by Comegys and seconded by Fraker to approve the June meeting minutes. All ayes, Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: Many residents of 1st Street voiced concerns about finding a solution to having water in their basements which seems to be occurring more often after each rainfall. Granted no one can control the weather or the amount of rain. The previous sewer lining project did not alleviate this problem. Residents stated that after an overflow was capped by the DNR, water seems to be backing up more often. During the storm, manholes were checked and it was determined that the south end of town showed more significant flow than any other part of town. Extra pumps were brought in by Jasper County EMA. Should the whole system be cameraed again, conduct another smoke test, consult with another engineering firm for a second opinion, are gutters or sump pumps connected to the sewer system, is the storm sewer somehow connected to the sewer system, were all questions that the council discussed. A dye test will be conducted to help determine if storm water is entering the sewer system. Residents also mentioned all tree debris that has been hauled into the dump. Mayor will speak to the party responsible for bringing in all the debris and root balls.

OLD BUSINESS: Clerk Arthur reported that pictures and quotes to repair the damage done to the tennis court area has been submitted to the insurance company of the party responsible.

NEW BUSINESS: Resolution 71425 Disposing of Old Records: Comegys made motion to approve resolution 71425, seconded by Fraker, all ayes, motion carried.

Election Seats: Clerk reported that the mayor and 3 council seats will be up for re-election. If anyone is interested in running, please contact city clerk for the paperwork.

Water Tower: Council feels that water tower issues were caused by exposed outside wires that eroded over time, causing a blown breaker which in turn shut the pump off. The equipment, controls & gauges are old and becoming outdated. Maintenance and repairs need to be done along with a better way to communicate when the city is experiencing problems. N. Arthur stated that Jetco was consulted and will be submitting a bid for repairs/updates to the system.

Building Permit: Fraker made motion to approve a 56 x 64 building permit submitted by Eric Lanser, seconded by Van Maanen, all ayes, Motion Carried.

MAINTENACE: N. Arthur reported sewer & water in compliance. Truck will need new tires before winter and the tractor has an oil leak. Council consented to getting both items taken care of. City Dump discussion took place: how to control who brings in waste, put a fence around it with certain hours only or close it, where topics discussed. No action taken on city dump.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

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

Payroll	Wages	6670.62
Alliant	Electric and Gas	1659.25
Badger Meter	Services	21.78
C & T Mowing	Services	960.00
Commercial Card Services	Services	1000.70
Forbes Office Solutions	Library contract	181.57
Heslinga Law Firm	Lawyer fees	409.68
Hometown Press	Publishing	128.61
Ia. Dept of Revenue	Water Excise tax	367.50
Ia. Dept of Revenue	2 nd Qtr Withholding tax	1211.47
Ia. DNR	Water Supply fee	41.31
Iowa Reg. Utilities Assc.	Services	1991.72
Jasper County	Parcel fee	1.00
John Deere Financial	Supplies	681.85
IPERS	Wages	1316.88
IRS	Wages	2145.63
Key Coop	Supplies	240.66
Keystone/Microbac Lab	Services	35.00
Lynnville Telephone Co.	Telecomm Charges	142.24
MARC	Supplies	5728.88
Midwest Sanitation and Recycling	Services	3799.97
Pat Norman	Services	61.40
Post Office	Box Rent	84.00
Terpstra Plumbing, Heating & Elec	Services	551.28
VMT	Website	33.00
Sully Ambulance	Fee	620.00
Lynnville Fire Dept.	Fee	1500.00
Jasper Co. Sheriff	Fee	3000.00
Overdrive	Library	391.20
Demco	Library	51.39

Receipts -June 25
General Fund

3349.34

Disbursements
14157.82

Hotel/Motel	71.41	4825.00
Garbage	4064.58	3649.97
Library	0.00	2657.89
LOST	2902.96	0.00
Road Use	4237.15	2441.80
Water	6392.11	4651.40
Sewer Utility	61912.31	32157.78

Needham made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Comegys, all ayes,
Motion Carried.

Approved/Date_____Mayor

Approved/Date_____Clerk