

Linden City Council Minutes

March 2, 2015

The public hearing for the FY16 city budget was called to order at 6:30 P.M. Motion to accept the budget was made by Smith, and seconded by Rector. Motion carried. Future expenses the city is looking at would be improvements to the ballpark and opening another CD earmarked for emergency repairs.

The regular city council meeting was called to order by Mayor Hutchins at 7:00 PM. Norton, Finnell, Rector, Smith and Daggett were present.

Motion to approve the last month's agenda and minutes was made by Norton, and seconded by Rector. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the financial/budget reports was made by Smith, and seconded by Rector. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the bills to be paid was made by Smith, and seconded by Rector. Motion carried.

Fire chief report was given by Larry Idle. Saturday morning fire at Randy Reynold's

Maintenance report was given by Leon Daggett. Four new motors (for sewer pumps) have been picked up. A new motor was put in at Harry Borst's. Leon suggested pulling pumps where the pumps haven't ever run.

Jim Miller with the Raccoon River Valley Trail Association has been working to have the trail named as a "great place". The trail is 25 years old and over the years more people are using the trail, the association is like a chamber of commerce for all 14 communities along the trail. The association has been actively going to different groups that would want to host different events along the trail. Jim spoke about the different events that the trail has done, and a new one this year called the Peddler's Jamboree. The Peddler's Jamboree will be Labor Day Weekend. It is a music festival with a bike ride; starting in Waukee Friday night, and Saturday ride up to Jefferson. This year they are going to do a pie contest, and Jim suggested the city could raise funds by selling pies. Being designated as a "great place" gives you bonus points when applying for a trailhead project grant. And cities have 3 years under the Great Place's grant umbrella to apply.

Motion to adopt Resolution #253 which states the city council supports the naming of the bike trail a "great place" was made by Daggett and seconded by Smith. Motion carried.

The city of Van Meter has given Linden their old dunk tank.

Resolution #252 which rezones the north side of North St (west of Main) from residential to B1 business district was passed by a roll call vote. Norton-yes, Finnell-yes, Smith-yes, Rector-yes, Daggett-yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Attest: Cindy Perrigo

