

MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF LINN VALLEY, KANSAS
JULY 24, 2017

1. Mayor Dwyer opened the meeting at 6:00 pm. Present were Council Members Dennis Kidwell, Lew Donelson, Claire Smith, Jason Jenkins and Dan Davies. A quorum was present. Also present were City Attorney Gary Thompson, City Clerk Karen Siffring, Fire Chief Smith, and Police Chief Murrison.

REVIEW THE AGENDA

Council Member requested the Fire Department be added to the agenda. There were no other changes or additions.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Mayor Dwyer called for the approval of minutes from the July 10th and July 13th meetings. The minutes were approved as presented.

3. 2018 BUDGET

- a. Clerk Siffring presented the proposed budget to the Council. The Mayor noted that the presented budget will decrease the mill by approximately one. Council Member Kidwell made a motion to approve the presented budget for publication and set the hearing date for August 14th at 6:00 pm. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins and passed 5-0.

4. STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE and UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENCE CODE

- a. Attorney Thompson presented an ordinance to adopt the 2017 edition of the Standard Traffic Ordinance. Council Member Kidwell made the motion to adopt Ordinance #189. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Attorney Thompson presented the 2017 edition of the Uniform Public Offence Code. Council Member Kidwell made a motion to adopt Ordinance #190. Seconding the motion was Council Member Smith and the motion passed 5-0.

5. FIRE DEPARTMENT

- a. Council Member Jenkins requested information on the status of the fire department and whether it has been disbanded. Mayor Dwyer informed the Council that she had met with the fire department personnel and assured the Council that the Fire Department continued coverage when temporarily without an Incident Commander. It was noted that the Fire Department had only one qualified Incident Commander and training was important for the Department.

- b. Fire Chief Smith informed the Council that the County was close to getting a grant to purchase air packs. Before the grant could be issued, the last step would be a guarantee from the City that the money will be there for our portion of the cost. The grant would cover 28 bottles and 14 packs. Fire Chief Smith will ask County Fire Chief Doug Barlet to email

particulars to the Clerk. Council Member Donelson made a motion to authorize the Mayor to move forward with the County for the air packs for a \$4,000 maximum. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and carried 5-0.

- c. The Mayor suggested that the Council return to creating a five-year plan and discussing the importance of training of the Fire Department and reducing the ISO. Council Member Jenkins informed the Council that there is a difference between First Responders, and Emergency Medical Responder which a term used by the state identifying medically trained responders.

6. OPEN FORUM

Keith Cowee from the audience asked the Council to formally identify their support of the Fire Chief. Council Member Donelson noted that he didn't believe it needed a vote because Chief Smith is the Fire Chief and he supports him.

Council Member Donelson informed the Council that the Veteran's Memorial was putting in a parking lot area near the Memorial. He requested that possible assistance by the City be put on next meeting's agenda.

7. ADJOURN

- a. A motion was made by Council Member Donelson and seconded by Council Member Kidwell to adjourn. The motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Submitted by
Karen Siffring
City Clerk