

**TOWN OF LIMA**  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Bernard, Rocky Pulley, Jackie Sutton, Travis Wilson, David Olsen

STAFF PRESENT: Dina Young

OTHERS PRESENT: Sharon Novitski, Branden Thornton, Mike Strang, Tim Dehl, Jenny Bernard

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT: Novitski inquired about the flags on the signs on the frontage road and who to contact regarding them; they are in need of replacement. Mayor Olsen will contact the appropriate party.  
Strang encouraged all to watch the video that was presented at the “Reimagining Rural” workshop.  
Thornton asked if there was a group researching building and revitalization of Lima. This topic was discussed.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:

1. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to approve the consent agenda. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
2. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to approve Resolution 2024-1: Resolution Calling for an Election on the Question of Conducting a Local Government Review. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
3. A motion by Sutton, seconded by Pulley, to approve Resolution 2024-2: Resolution Naming Potential Repair and Maintenance Projects and Approving the Application Thereof Pursuant to the State-Local Infrastructure Partnership Act (HB 355) Funding. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
4. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to approve Resolution 2024-3: Resolution Appointing Town Judge. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Lima van update was not received due to the driver not being present to give the report. It was brought up that several people believe dogs should not be allowed to ride in the van. Mayor Olsen will discuss this with the driver.
6. Discussion regarding what to do with the old grader. An offer was made by someone interested in purchasing it for \$1200. Clerk will research whether or not it needs to be put out to bid and bring this information to the March meeting.

7. Funding of \$100 not approved for a kids' dance/game night at the town hall. Council made recommendation to seek donations, and Bernard made the first donation.
8. Funding not approved for a potentially monthly bingo/game night at town hall, however, council agreed to sponsor initially and determine if there is a financial need.
9. Funding of \$50 not approved for a microgreen-growing class to be taught by community greenhouse volunteer Jeff Young.

OLD BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:

10. Sutton gave update on Lima School funding and budget information. Details will not be known until preliminary numbers are received from the state.
11. Discussion regarding water lines at the north end of town and engineer information. Wilson has been in contact with engineer and will be sending information and numbers as soon as possible. This will be discussed at the March meeting.
12. Discussion regarding application and guidelines for the HB 355 grant funds. Wilson requested the application be sent to him and he will forward to engineer.
13. Discussion regarding a new construction checklist and the existing building compliance ordinance. Wilson brought draft of sample permit/checklist.
14. Discussion regarding annexation of properties outside of town limits receiving water and other town services. Council requested that clerk ask attorney to draft letters requesting annexation. These will be reviewed at the March meeting.
15. Discussed emergency communication system. Mayor checked with the state donable property program and there were none available. A new system would be between \$50,000 and \$70,000. The option exists for community members to sign up for the county alert system. Information regarding this option will be sent to community members in the future along with the Local Government Review information.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:       None

MAYOR'S REPORT:       None

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: Bernard asked at what stage McGraw is with the water operator training/testing.  
Thornton advised he will be leading a pro-growth and revitalization meeting for business owners and other interested parties on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm. Next regular council meeting to be held on Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

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Mayor

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Clerk