

**TOWN OF LIMA**  
**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024**

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:00 pm

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

STAFF PRESENT: Dina Young, Jim McGraw

OTHERS PRESENT: Tammy Grable, Addie Edmisten, Ralph Smith (6<sup>th</sup> Ave), Branden Thornton, Sharon Novitski, Tim Dehl, Kent Craven, Erin Montgomery

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

LIMA AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION REPORT: Thornton reported there was not a June meeting and there was no new information to visit about. They met with the Turner Foundation about possible projects, are still working on the non-profit status with the IRS, haven't heard from the state on the kiosk, and have done some fundraising.

NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:

1. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to approve the consent agenda. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
2. No public comment during budget hearing regarding Resolution 2024-5, Providing for the Amendment of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024.
3. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to approve Resolution 2024-5, Providing for the Amendment of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
4. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Bernard, to approve Resolution 2024-4, Declaring Certain Town Property as Surplus and Authorizing its Sale. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
5. A motion by Pulley, seconded by Sutton, to approve Resolution 2024-6, Approving Wages for Fiscal Year 2025. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Discussed the need for diverting rainwater on the northeast corner of the town hall and possible options. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to table this item to the August meeting.

Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously. McGraw will create a written plan.

7. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to approve attendance for Mayor, Clerk, and interested council members at League of Cities and Towns Conference in October. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.

#### OLD BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:

8. Montgomery reported that Be the Change 406 had their baseball event last Friday and a lot of adults showed up which the kids really appreciated. This coming Friday is the outdoor movie event (The Sandlot) at the Fire Hall. The kids are enjoying the activities and are learning a lot through their planning and fundraising. They went to a meeting with the Turner Foundation along with ~~4H~~FFA.
9. The council addressed questions in reference to Ordinance 31: Building Compliance with Construction Checklist. Public comment given by Grable, Novitski, Montgomery, Craven, Thornton, and Dehl. Wilson gave explanations. Montgomery addressed some of the questions given previously by Jensen who was not in attendance. The council went through the written questions and concerns received by Jensen and Novitski, discussing, answering, and clarifying them. Some attendees had issues with #4 and #7 on the checklist and the council agreed to add clarifying information to those two items.
10. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Pulley, to approve Ordinance 31: Building Compliance with Construction Checklist, Second Reading, with the addition of clarifying information to #4 and #7. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Discussed possible fees for above Ordinance 31 as well as fines for Ordinance 30 (Livestock Ordinance). Public comment given by Grable, Novitski, Montgomery, and Thornton. It was concluded that the possible fees for Ordinance 31 be: \$0 for trees and shrubs, \$25 for fences and decks, and \$5 per 100 square feet on structures, and the possible fines for Ordinance 30 be: \$50 1<sup>st</sup> offense, \$100 2<sup>nd</sup> offense, \$500 3<sup>rd</sup> offense. Clerk will draw up Resolution for next meeting.
12. Discussed possible acceptance of old VFW building. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to accept the donation of the old VFW building from the Affiliated Service Veterans of the Red Rock with the understanding that if a veteran's outfit would like it, it can be deeded back to that group. Wilson spoke with John Clark who was the last VFW member of that post. Public comment given by Montgomery who is pursuing possible membership with the American Legion. Bernard aye, Pulley aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Discussion regarding possible agreements with the property owners receiving water outside of town limits. Clerk will contact attorney to advise.
14. The June winner of the Yard-of-the-Month was announced: Linda Peterson.
15. No discussion regarding projects for FY2025 budget. Council will get ideas to Clerk.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:       None

MAYOR'S REPORT:       Mayor Olsen reported that it was a spectacular 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, and that the town is in good shape financially.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: Bernard asked that a thank you letter be sent to the state employees for doing so much mowing in town. Grable asked what plans are in place for continuance of the road maintenance and placement of gravel as she has heard some complaints and is concerned about future mud. Smith mentioned the large rocks, and Novitski mentioned the berms. Mayor Olsen advised more work is scheduled and Wilson advised that the contractor is coming back soon to continue the road work and will be asked to make a list of the roads in the worst condition. Bernard advised that his sister would like to know when the road in front of her house will be improved so her flower bed can be moved. Dehl mentioned that he would like to see the roads prioritized and done in parts. Wilson asked if someone from the sheriff's department can do a monthly sheriff report at the council meetings since this is part of the contract. Pulley recommended that a podium be used at council meetings for public comment so that meeting protocol for public comment can be followed. Clerk will confirm with the church group that the town can use their podium.

A motion by Wilson, seconded by Bernard, to adjourn meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm. Next regular council meeting to be held on Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

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Mayor

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Clerk