

TOWN OF LIMA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026, 7:00 PM TOWN HALL

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:00 pm
MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Bernard, Jackie Sutton, Travis Wilson, David Olsen
STAFF PRESENT: Don Story, Dina Young
OTHERS PRESENT: Sharon Novitski, Addie Edmisten, Branden Thornton, Don Marriott, Mark Stosich, Gene Schwartz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT/NON-AGENDA ITEMS: NONE

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

LIMA AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION REPORT: Thornton reported that there is not a lot to report at this time and that he will speak later in the meeting about 4th of July activities.

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to approve the consent agenda. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:

1. Three community members-Novitski, Marriott, Stosich-were interviewed by the council for the council position that is being vacated by Pulley 4/30/26.
2. Discussed changes to MMIA group benefit plans/final rates for Fiscal Year 2027. A motion by Sutton, seconded by Wilson, to cover the FY27 rate increase of \$34 of the Madison Plan for Don and Dina. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Discussed Lima Clean-Up Day. Sutton advised the school is looking at 4/22-23 for the clean-up dates. Wilson has been in contact with Nick who will have the cans here as soon as they can on or after 4/22 and they will be here until full. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Bernard, to approve those dates and to have the cans here. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Discussed 4th of July Celebration. A motion by Sutton, seconded by Wilson, to approve 4th of July Celebration and activities. Public comment given by Thornton who advised at this point plans for a car show and ping pong ball drop are in motion. Bernard advised he spoke with the state who will be bringing sand for the treasure hunt and horseshoe tournament. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Discussed Lima Van and payment by driver. A motion by Sutton, seconded by Bernard, to reject the payment given by the driver for potential rider fares. Marriott spoke and answered questions. Public comment given by Thornton who volunteered to service the van at no charge. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Discussed possible budgeting for a new lawn mower. A motion by Bernard, seconded by Wilson, to budget for a new lawn mower in Fiscal Year 2027. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously. The amount will be discussed during budget meetings. Comment by Story to ensure quotes either include bagger or that bagger is interchangeable.
7. After discussion, a motion by Bernard, seconded by Sutton, to approve 20 hours of community service for community member. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Discussed possible donation to Lima Area Community Foundation for welcome area park. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Bernard, to table this topic to the May meeting. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS AND ACTION TAKEN:

9. Discussion regarding greenhouses. Sutton received a quote of \$1,400-1,700 each to add hard siding, not including doors or windows. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Bernard, to move the greenhouses to the school temporarily, salvaging the potting soil. Wilson and Bernard offered to donate time and effort to move them. No public comment. Story asked if, after the greenhouses and buckets are moved out, he can clean up the area. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Discussed planning Board recruitment and creation. A motion by Sutton, seconded by Bernard, to hold a town hall meeting at 6:00 pm on 5/11 to discuss creating a planning board with the community. Public comment given by Thornton. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
11. After discussion, a motion by Wilson, seconded by Bernard, to table the topic of bids for the addition of a bathroom and office at the new shop to the May meeting in order to obtain more information. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
12. After discussion, a motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to table the topic of bids for spray foam or other material to the May meeting with the intention of having a group get together to walk through with contractors and make a list. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Discussed septic at shop. Wilson advised the permit has been submitted to the county and that two contractors have given estimates for the install (C. Bernard, \$9,810 and J. Rose \$5,000). A motion by Bernard, seconded by Sutton, to approve the lower bid, which was from Jason Rose. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously. Discussed fence for shop area. Wilson advised an estimate was received by Mark Stosich for a wood post fence with one rail on top with box wire, 4 feet, for \$5,810. A motion by Bernard, seconded by Sutton, to accept the bid and have the fence put in. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
14. Regarding MMIA Workers' Compensation wind-down and new Workers' Compensation carrier: Clerk advised quotes have not yet been received but will be received any day. A motion by Wilson, seconded by Bernard, to table this topic to the May meeting. No public comment. Bernard aye, Sutton aye, Wilson aye. Motion carried unanimously.
15. Discussed status of project to install awnings at fire hall entrances. Wilson connected with the contractor who advised he will be here this week to look at the job. If he does not, other contractor options will be pursued. No public comment.

SHERIFF'S REPORT: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: Wilson advised he spoke with Jason Rose about the grading contract and that they will honor the same rate for one more year; Jason Rose also offered to do the necessary grounds work at the shop area at no charge; the fire hall entrance door is rusting out and needs to be replaced; they have the paint for the parking lot lines and he will get with Story to work on; the fire hall outdoor light is not working and needs to be replaced.

Bernard advised the posts for the street sign at 3rd and Main are bent and also need to be moved back; we will also need 3 more posts for the parking lot signs.

A motion by Wilson, seconded by Sutton, to adjourn meeting. Bernard aye, Wilson aye, Sutton aye. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm. Council work session scheduled for Monday, May 4 at 7:00 pm to discuss the planned 4th of July activities and the advertising of such. Next regular council meeting to be held Monday, May 11 at 6:00 pm.

Mayor

Clerk

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