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Mark Johansen, Mayor

Melissa Simmons, City Clerk

The Latimer City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at Latimer City Hall. Mayor Mark Johansen called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with council members: Randy DeBour, Catherine Crooks, Deon Juhl and Elizabeth Symens all answering roll call. Eric Bruns was absent.

Mayor Johansen led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a motion made by DeBour to approve the agenda and was seconded by Symens. Motion passed unanimously.

The Director of Maintenance reported the splash pad is shut off for the year. The Industrial Park manholes had to be pumped again.

The City Clerk reported she has had some complaints of dust. The Latimer Community Center received a Marion Muhlenbruck-Pralle Memorial donation in the amount of $600 with the request it be used to purchase some new items for the kitchen, including matching serving platters and bowls, serving spoons, new pots and pans, some clean up tubs, electric fry pan, the current one was missing the plug in. Items being replaced will be removed and donated if possible.

Symens made a motion to approve the minutes from September 11, 2024 meeting and was seconded by Juhl. Motion passed unanimously.

Crooks made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. This motion was seconded by DeBour and passed unanimously.

The Council reviewed the Budget Report, Revenue Report and Fund Balance Report.

A request to remove the sidewalk going east and west at 220 South Akir Street was approved with a motion made by Symens and seconded by Crooks. Motion passed unanimously.

On September 27th there was a dog attacked by a dog at-large. After consulting the City Attorney and the City Ordinances, it has been recommended to amend the ordinance to state animals deemed vicious are no longer allowed to visit or live in the city limits, and to follow the civil penalties section for 1st offense of no more than $750.00 in addition to the animal at-large fee of $65.00 to the vicious dog owner. After some discussion, the council agreed with the City Attorney’s opinion and will fine the vicious dog owner $300 and an animal at-large fee of $65. The clerk is to get the ordinance ready, with the assistance of NIACOG, for next month’s meeting to hold the first reading of the ordinance amendment. This was all approved with a motion made by Juhl and seconded by DeBour. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-08 approving the Annual Urban Renewal Report with a balance of $0 was approved with a motion made by DeBour and seconded by Juhl. Resolution 2024-08 passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

At 7:10 pm, Symens made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Juhl. Motion passed unanimously.

Mark Johansen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Simmons, City Clerk