

## Lynn Town Council

August 7, 2024

Minutes

Arthur Called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

This was followed by the pledge to the flag and the Lord's Prayer.

Barbara stated that we would like for anyone speaking to please come to the podium and state their name to better hear everyone.

First on the agenda was the Green Alley Vacating. Jason Welch spoke on behalf of Green. On the one alley Green owns all surrounding area and Lynn Tool Company signed an agreement stating they were okay with this being vacated. Suzan stated this would not extend to Diane Vincent. There are no utilities underneath. They presented the proposed ordinance. The 2<sup>nd</sup> alley is a little dicer. This alley adjoins King, Pegg, and Trinity. Green was asking for this to be vacated. Virginia King stated she had an agreement on this property with the town. They moved here in 1984, and they leveled that off and have been mowing for the past 35 years. She stated she didn't want the noise and ruts of Semis. William Maines spoke and stated that he wants to build a house back there and this alley will be his only access. Kyle Pegg stated he had lived there for 17 years and likes the peace and quiet back there. He doesn't think that should be taken away. William Maines stated Trinity purchased this land a year ago and the only access is from Maple 30-50 ft. He stated he would need this for emergency access once the house is built. Jason Welch then stated that after hearing the citizens Green had decided to withdraw the vacating of that alley.

Robert made the motion to adopt ordinance 2024-1 to vacate alley around Green's property only. Barbara 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Rob made the motion to suspend the rules to read ordinance by title only. Barb 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion was carried all in favor. Suzan then Read Ordinance 2024-1.

Rob made motion for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading as title only for 2024-1. Barb 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Rob made the motion for the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading to be by title only. Barbara 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Suzan read ordinance 2024-1

Rob made a motion to adopt ordinance 2024-1. Barb 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Barb made the motion to accept the minutes for the July 3, 2024 meeting. Rob 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Arthur called for council information. There was none.

Arthur called for Attorney information. Suzan looked at the various towns for chicken ordinances. She presented 3 towns-like size to ours rules and regulations they had adopted. She wanted the

town's input on permits and penalties for clean coops. Mike stated Bestway said manurer could be disposed of in their bins it just couldn't be too heavy. Suzan said the town needs to decide how many we want to allow. If the coops are going to be permanent, they will want to get the correct permits with the are planning. This would be for personal consumption and would not be for resale purposes. Brad stated that it should be \$25 and up to. He stated the Nuisance ordinance covers most of this. Suzan stated probably be 4-6 chickens allowed but that would be up to the board. The penalty could be \$25 for each chicken. Suzan also stated that if it is a public health issue who determines what happens. If it is a public health issue does the flock get destroyed or who determines this.

Barbara stated lets table this until next board meeting.

Suzan stated the Bee ordinance should have much higher penalties, she said that a aggressive Beehive penalty would be \$100 for the first offence with 60 days to correct. This would be ordinance 2024-2. Brad stated this should be tabled as well until everyone had time to look at the proposed ordinance. Board agreed and tabled until the next meeting.

Next Suzan stated that the 3 year sewage rate process was to choose the recommendation, public hearing in September and will need to be adopted 3 times. The first time would be tonight to adopt the recommendation.

Robert made a motion to adopt ordinance 2024-3 for sewage rate increase. Suzan read ordinance 2024-3. Barbara second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Arthur called for clerk information.

Mike stated that they have started the process for direct deposit. They had their first test run and it should go live starting next week. Mike stated that the water loss audit came in and they said we were doing good for the size town we are. It has been submitted. Mike then said that the online payments was in use now and as of yesterday 25 people had used it. He stated we can also take cards in the office now. The city building was approached about allowing a card night on Thursdays all would be welcomed. Mike was not sure when this was going to start but wanted to let everyone know. The water tower project has broken ground, but he would allow Mike to discuss that. The town has also started to prepare the budget for next year and this will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Arthur called for employee information.

Mike Jr stated the issue with the south well quote came in to pull the pump and the parts would cost \$25,100. If everything needed to be replaced. Currently North well pumps to south well then comes into the building. They did a 2 in test 4in test and 6 in test and it is sucking air. This problem has been going on for a while and we are now working with Peerless who found the issue. It is causing an alarm on the north well but is actually a south well issue. They think it needs cleaned and new sand filter but that will be a different quote.

Rob made a motion to get this fixed. Arthur second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Mike also stated the water tower project had started, and they are laying the pad.

Brad stated that the issue at 312 Pearl had been remedied. Court ordered it to be cleaned up. The junk and camper was removed and an invoice was given to the owners in the amount of \$1,542.12. There is a warrant for the granddaughter's arrest. If the invoice is not paid there will be a lien placed on the property. He did speak with Sarah about coming to the city building and discussing a payment plan.

Brad stated the property at 605 W Church St is still being mowed periodically. It has been moved to superior court.

Brad asked the board for approval to purchase portable flashing signs. They are solar and he would like to purchase 2 that are \$4k a piece. He spoke with Michael and the money was there MVH and LRS.

Barbara made the motion to purchase the signs. Robert 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Brad stated the tree at South Oak is dead and losing limbs. Neighbors are concerned. It is \$2,200 to remove tree and stump. He would like to in the future remove the rest of the trees and pave sidewalk to sidewalk with community grant.

Barbara made the motion to remove the tree. Rob second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Brad then stated that the west side street signs had all been replaced and that he suggests selling the old signs for \$5 for name signs and \$10 for stop signs. The Clerk's office could handle the transactions. It will be on a first come first serve basis.

Barbara made the motion to sell the signs. Robert second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Brad said that he would like to get some quotes on fixing some of the alleys in town that the community crossing grant won't cover. He would like to get bids to start replacing the alleys next to A&B Auto and behind Kaberts.

Barbara made the motion to get estimates to pave those alleys. Robert second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Brad said the town needs to start thinking about a new tornado siren. When the water tower comes down, we will lose that. The last estimate was in 2021 for \$28k.

Arthur called for old business. There was none.

Arthur called for new business. There was none.

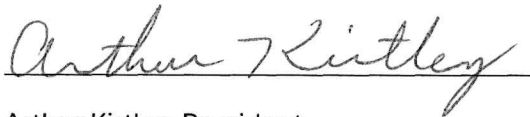
Arthur called for citizen comments.

Mark Moody stated he lived on Church St, and they speed up and down that road. He thinks the new signs are a great idea. He said it is like a drag race. He thinks we should have more signs and more patrols before someone gets hurt. He said he thinks the chicken deal needs to be done away with. He doesn't care if it is to feed the families or not. He stated he couldn't believe Bestway would allow it.

Reuben Delapez said he thought it was great idea for the signs. He would like to see more 30 mph signs. He said this will maybe help with speeding and running the 4-way.

Arthur called for claims to be paid. Robert made the motion to pay the claims. Barbara 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Barabra made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Arthur Kirtley", written over a horizontal line.

Arthur Kirtley, President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michael L Straley III", written over a horizontal line.

Michael L Straley III, Clerk Treasurer