

Lynn Town Council

June 4, 2025

Minutes

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

This was followed by the Pledge to the Flag and the Lord's Prayer.

In attendance was Arthur Kirtley (Board President), Barbara Johnson (Council Member), Robert Hutchens (Council Member), Suzan Myers (Attorney), Michael Straley III (Clerk Treasurer), Brad Fisher (Marshal), Travis Jones (Deputy Marshal).

Barbara made the motion to approve the minutes for May 7, 2025. Robert second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Robert made the motion to approve the claims and the Bank of New York transfers. Barbara second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Arthur called for council information. There was none.

Arthur called for Attorney information. Suzan stated NLBC needed approval for tower and utility easement. The board and Suzan discussed where the easement would be. Suzan stated she would send a letter to them explaining the easement. NLBC would be responsible for not rutting the property or if the tower collapsed any damage done to the lion's club would need fixed by NLBC. With NLBC going in this would provide continued internet services to the Town as well as the Lion's Club.

Robert made the motion to approve the easement for NLBS. Barbara second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Suzan then stated she had drafted an ordinance for the abandoned vehicles that Travis had requested at the last meeting. Brad stated he wanted to amend a few things on it. Brad stated he understood we had some issues in Town, but we are not an HOA. Brad stated that if it is tarped or covered and no weeds growing around it then it should be permissible. He would like the language to allow them if covered. The next section he would like to amend is the section of no transmission, and no license plate. He stated that there are laws if driving with no plate, but if it's on private property we should not enforce a violation. The next section stated that violators would have 72 hours to bring to the Marshal's office to show proof of being able to run. Brad wanted this changed to state or Himself or Travis would come to their property for proof. He wanted the section on exceptions removed. This could open the town up to lawsuits. The last section on the fee needed the wording changed. Suzan stated she could find out the current tow fee and put it in there. Robert said what if in 10 years that fee is more. Suzan said it could be amended. She then said she could change the language to say existing tow fee; this would allow it to change without amending it each time. She stated she could also include not exceeding \$500 and not exceeding \$100 for storage. She stated she would have this updated and presented at the July meeting.

Next, they discussed the Animal ordinance. Suzan asked the board to go through the different ordinances she provided and highlight what they like. Suzan is looking to see if we could contract

with the animal shelter in Winchester. The Vet said they could spade and neuter for \$75-\$125. Brad stated we didn't have the space to store cats or the manpower to take care of them. Brad did like that the Violation could be given if someone is feeding strays or leaving food out. Arthur stated he thinks we should try to get a contract with the animal shelter. Brad stated Farmland is currently entering into a contract and it allows for the animal shelter to come into town and get them. Suzan is going to look into it and see if we can get a similar contract. Suzan stated the board and Brad needed to discuss and get back with her on what they are wanting in the ordinance. Brad stated we should update the ordinance as all animals because our dog ordinance was last updated in 1976. Brad stated he didn't want the vicious dog ordinance to change however because it is good as is.

Arthur called for Employee information. Brad stated several ordinance violations were given for the junk properties. Some have paid and cleaned up, but a few have not paid and not started. They are being turned over to Union City Court. One person has asked for an extension and Brad is giving him to June 30th. If it is not cleaned up, then the violation fee will include all the days up until now.

Arhtur called for Clerks information. Michael stated we had a claim for Pay app 5 for \$130,000 for Pittsburg Tank & Tower.

Barbara made the motion to approve pay app 5. Robert second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Michael stated we had received \$4,775 in donations for the Siren and still needing \$24,795.

Michael stated the water plant was operating with test coming back as positive. The tanks have all been repaired now. The water may still be rusty until it is flushed out of the system.

Michael stated that he is not sure that a problem will arise but wanted to bring it up in case it did. The lot across the street was told to mow the yard. The owner feels like the town should take care of it since we allow people to use it. The town doesn't allow anyone to use it. The board discussed and stated that we would not be taking care of it. This is the owner's responsibility and if he wants people to stop using it, he can put up private property and the police could then enforce violators parking over there.

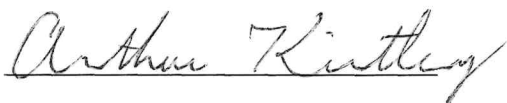
Brad stated the Siren is coming between June 7-9, and we need to figure out where we wanted to put it. Brad stated the two options he had were on the north side of the city garage or behind the salt barn. The board stated they thought that the best place would be by the city garage. Brad stated that the 11:30 and 9 alarms would no longer go off.

Arthur called for old business. There was none.

Arthur called for new business. There was none.

Arthur called for Citizen comments. There was a discussion on the siren.

Barbara made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.



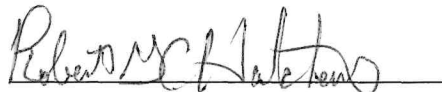
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Arthur Kirtley, President



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Barbara Johnson, Council Member



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Michael L Straley III, Clerk Treasurer