

**CITY OF LANSING**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**August 15, 2024**

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**Call To Order:**

The regular meeting of the Lansing City Council was called to order by Mayor McNeill at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:**

Mayor McNeill called the roll and indicated which Councilmembers were in attendance.

**Councilmembers Present:**

**Ward 1:** Gene Kirby and Kevin Gardner

**Ward 2:** Donald Studnicka and Jake Kowalewski

**Ward 3:** Kerry Brungardt

**Ward 4:** Dan Clemons

**Councilmembers Absent:** Jesse Garvey and Pete Robinson

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Regular Meeting minutes of August 1, 2024, were provided for review.

**Councilmember Studnicka made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2024, as presented. Councilmember Kirby seconded the motion. No discussion took place.**

**Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Clemons, Studnicka, Kirby, and Kowalewski; Nay: none; Abstain: Councilmembers Brungardt and Gardner; Absent: Councilmember Garvey and Robinson; The motion was approved.**

**Audience Participation:** Lions Club member Jeff Shugart.

- Thanked code enforcement for their efforts.
- Thanked the city for their Independence Day celebration.
- Encouraged citizens to join Lions Club.

**Presentations:** Lansing Lions Club Proclamation was presented to Lions Club President Chirs Southard by Mayor McNeill.

**COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Executive Session – Economic Development**

**Councilmember Brungardt made a motion to go into Executive Session for the preliminary discussion of Economic Development activities, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(4) for 20 minutes, beginning at 7:09 PM and returning to the Council Chambers at 7:29 PM and to include the City Council, City Administrator, City Attorney and Economic Development Director. Councilmember Clemons seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, Kirby, and Kowalewski; Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Councilmember Garvey and Robinson; The motion was approved.**

**Councilmember Studnicka made a motion to return to Open Session at 7:29 PM. Councilmember Kowalewski seconded the motion. No binding action was taken.**

**Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, Kirby, and Kowalewski; Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Councilmember Garvey and Robinson; The motion was approved.**

**Executive Session – Non-Elected Personnel Matters**

Councilmember Brungardt made a motion to go into Executive Session for the discussion of personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 20 minutes, beginning at 7:30 PM and returning to the Council Chambers at 7:50 PM and to include the City Council, City Administrator, City Attorney and Economic Development Director. Councilmember Kirby seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, Kirby, and Kowalewski; Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Councilmember Garvey and Robinson; The motion was approved.**

**Councilmember Clemons made a motion to return to Open Session at 7:50 PM. Councilmember Kowalewski seconded the motion. No binding action was taken.**

**Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, Kirby, and Kowalewski; Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Councilmember Garvey and Robinson; The motion was approved.**

**REPORTS:**

**Department Heads:** Nothing to discuss.

**City Attorney:** Nothing to report.

**City Administrator:**

- Due to delays in the Community Center repair, alternative options are requested for the Volunteer Dinner.
- Discussion of City Hall repairs and the funds needed will be during a special meeting on August 29, 2024.
- Staffing and sign on bonuses were discussed regarding the Police Department.
- The Historical Society requested to discuss the money from five years ago from the Regional Prisons Museum at the August 29 work session.
- Community survey with a QR code will go out soon.
- Thanked the council for their understanding regarding his time off.

**Governing Body:**

**Councilmember Clemons:**

- Discussed the staffing, training, and equipment cost related to the transition of the Fire Department and whether the council should consider a personnel pay study.
- LCPA did not meet last week because of County Commissioner budget discussions.

**Councilmember Brungardt:** Nothing to add.

**Councilmember Studnicka:** Nothing to add.

**Councilmember Gardner:** Nothing to add.

Councilmember Kirby: Nothing to add.

Councilmember Kowalewski:

- Recognized the Public Works Department regarding their work on 147<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Proclamation: Assisted Living Week Proclamation**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Councilmember Kowalewski made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Brungardt seconded the motion.** No discussion took place.

**Roll Call Vote: Aye: Councilmembers Clemons, Brungardt, Studnicka, Gardner, Kirby, and Kowalewski; Nay: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Councilmember Garvey and Robinson; The motion was approved.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM.

**ATTEST:**

  
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City Clerk Tish Sims, CMC