

CITY OF LANSING
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 2, 2025

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

Ward 2: Donald Studnicka and Jake Kowalewski

Ward 3: Kerry Brungardt and Jesse Garvey

Ward 4: Pete Robinson

Councilmembers Absent: Kevin Gardner and Dan Clemons

OLD BUSINESS:

The Regular Meeting minutes of December 19, 2024, were provided for review.

Councilmember Brungardt made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2024, as presented. Councilmember Kirby seconded the motion.

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

Audience Participation:

Presentations:

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS:

Resolution B-1-2025, Authorizing the Administration of the Oath of Office to be held on the first regular meeting in January.

Councilmember Studnicka made a motion to approve Resolution B-1-2025, authorizing the administration of the Oath of Office for Members Elect of the Governing Body of Lansing, Kansas to be held at the first regular meeting occurring in January of the year following the General Election. Councilmember Kowalewski seconded the motion.

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

****City Clerk Tish Sims administered the Oath of Office for Mayor Anthony McNeill.**

Discussion of request for special Transient Vendor Licensing for utility companies

The City has attempted to be stricter with transient vendors, with our policy recently being updated last year to increase fees and restrict the amount of time a person can be in town.

Agents from Clearwave Fiber would like to request a special Transient Vendor License for utility companies to obtain licenses for longer periods of time up to and including a yearly license. They feel that it is to the customers' advantage to know their local representative and to have multiple contacts with their customers. While Clearwave has been up-front about getting their vendor

license, other internet utilities have not. Staff would like guidance from the governing body regarding whether to allow utilities to have a longer license for transient vendors.

Discussion occurred between City Council, City Administrator Vandall, City Clerk Tish Sims, and Assistant City Clerk Leslie Welch. Staff will provide a proposal of changes to the code at a future meeting.

Police Vehicle Purchase

The Lansing Police Department requested bids for police package patrol vehicles from 3 vendors. The following bids were received:

- o Landmark Dodge No Bid Received
- o Davis Moore, Inc. \$43,897.00
- o Main Street Chrysler \$43,771.00

Councilmember Brungardt made a motion to allow the Lansing Police Department to purchase one police vehicle from Main of Lansing Chrysler Dodge. The purchase price is \$43,771.00. This does not include the cost of emergency equipment to be added to the vehicles. Councilmember Kirby seconded the motion.

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

REPORTS:

Department Heads:

City Attorney:

Nothing to report.

City Administrator:

- Reminder about the Volunteer Dinner on January 7, 2025.
- Provided update for Fire Department onboarding.
- Thanked the Fire District #1 Board members Rob Gaslin and Andi Pawloski.

Governing Body:

Councilmember Brungardt:

- Thanked the City Clerk and Assistant City Clerk for their input on the possible changes to the Transient Vendor licenses.
- Happy New Year.

Councilmember Studnicka:

- Happy New Year.

Councilmember Kirby:

- Happy New Year.
- Thank you to the clerk's office.
- Advised that there will be no difference to fire services for our citizens.

- Congratulated the Mayor.

Councilmember Kowalewski:

- Echoed what everyone else said.
- Advised citizens to prepare for the winter storm.

Councilmember Garvey:

- Congratulations to the Mayor.
- Discussed emails received from concerned citizens regarding changes to the solid waste. He was advised that the citizens would prefer no change. Discussion commenced with City Administrator Vandall and council regarding similar emails received. Consensus of council and citizens emails was that no changes to services should be made despite price increase.
- Welcomed Butler Automotive and congratulated Danny Asher of Dasher's Garage on their retirement.

Councilmember Robinson:

- Congratulated the Mayor.
- Thanked the clerk's office.
- Echoed previous comments and caution regarding the winter storm.

Proclamations

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Robinson made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Brungardt seconded the motion.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

ATTEST:



City Clerk Tish Sims, CMC