Linden Town Board Meeting January 28, 2024

Roll Call: Present Town Board President Wade Bennett, Town Board Member Paul Buckles, Town Board Member Chasity Surface, Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide

Town of Linden regular monthly meeting called to order by Town Board President Wade Bennett at 7:00pm

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented Larry Tippin Agreement for Financial and Accounting Consultation Services to complete SBOA requirement on Capital Asset and Inventory reports; After discussion; Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept agreement and hire Larry Tippin, Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion, Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries; Town Board President Wade Bennett signed agreement.

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented a notification from Linden Library the available books purchased from Opioid Ligation funds received to support local programs from fund distributed to Town of Linden

Park Board Committee Member Donna Cooper reported currently waiting to measure diameter of swing set pole to complete swing order. Town Board President Wade Bennett stated he will measure pole for swing order

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported Wastewater plant DBS SX-AL Drive has broken and BL Anderson is able to make replacement Drive unit to adapt to aged Wastewater plant equipment, arrival of replaced equipment will be 12 weeks

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported Wastewater ditch area is very muddy, still waiting on new surveyed markers, then generator and fencing will be moved

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported Wastewater plant had an IDEM inspection and IDEM concerned no grass seeded in closed lagoon area

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported Peerless has replaced mag meters at well # 3, #4 and #5

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported well # 3, #4 and #5 need updated communication to Valero; Jake with Valero reported their Honeywell communication system is outdated; Peerless will quote cost to update communication equipment

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported Tipmont and electricians continue checking water plant electrical usage

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported TDS project this year to update customer service lines through Town, and TDS will require alley access of all Town alley area right of ways; Board agreed Town alley right of ways will be cleared for utility company passage

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported wells #3, #4, and #5 fence gates will be updated with slide gates

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported pre-construction meeting tomorrow for Water Tank project

Town Marshal Mike Taylor submitted monthly police reports for board signature

Town Marshal Mike Taylor reported 320 W Walnut Street has been issued Ordinance violation, and cleanup will be with dumpster and vendor and invoice total will be sent to owner and place invoice total on property lien records

Town Marshal Mike Taylor reported 214 N High Street has a right of way blocked and will start ordinance violation process.

Town Marshal Mike Taylor reported water plant area needs camera system installed; after discussion; Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to install camera system and Town Marshal Mike Taylor permission to oversee installation; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Town Marshal Mike Taylor reported 303 E Walnut Street parking vehicle on street, after discussion; Board agrees to review option, post signs or painting curbs and update ordinance to restrict on street parking that decreases roadway passage

Town Board Member Chasity Surface requested Friends of Linden added to February agenda

Resident Sandy Conley requested clarification on alley access; Town Board Member Paul Buckles stated alley area should be cleared for utility company's access to repair or install distribution service supply lines

Resident Steve Struck asked what area access passage is required; Utility Superintendent Earl Heide stated keeping area passage along alley open width between utility poles

Township Trustee Greg Fuller presented survey boundary for the 50/50 split building and land at 302 E Water Street. After discussion, Town Board Member Paul Buckles in favor of survey boundary and would like attorney opinion on HB1233; Board Members agreed Town Board President Wade Bennett to contact town attorney to discuss HB1233.

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted voucher register, for Board Members approval and signature. Board reviewed; Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept voucher register; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted prior meeting minutes for Board Member signature. Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign December 17, 2024 meeting minutes; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted monthly bank reconciled report and financial reports for board signature. Board Members signed and accepted monthly financial reports

Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to adjourn; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries, meeting adjourned 8:55pm

Linden Town Board Members action: Town Board Member Name Yea Nay Wade Bennett Paul Buckles Chasity Surface Attested by: Janet Heide, Clerk-Treasurer Transcribed January 31 2025