

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF CARROLL(S)  
CITY OF LANARK

March 15, 2022

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**-Lanark City Council met in regular session at the Lanark City Hall at 7 p.m. Roll call taken by Marilyn Heller, City Clerk, showed Alderpersons present were Lance Leverton, Haley Grim, Brad Knutti, Mark Macomber, and Lynn Collins. Alderperson Weston Burkholder absent.

Mayor Ken Viglietta was present and presiding.

Others present were: Rosemary Flikkema, Attorney Ed Mitchell, Police Chief Matt Magill, Maintenance Manager Jason Alvarado, Treasurer Donalee Yenney and City Clerk Marilyn Heller.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**-was led by Alderperson Lance Leverton.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES-MOTION**-was made by Alderperson Lance Leverton and seconded by Alderperson Lynn Collins to accept the minutes of the March 1, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion carried by 3 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons were Lance Leverton, Lynn Collins, and Mayor Ken Viglietta. Abstain votes: Brad Knutti, Mark Macomber, and Haley Grim. Alderperson Weston Burkholder was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS- None**

**DONATION REQUESTS**- City Clerk Marilyn shared that the city received a request from Rock River Hospice & Home to sponsor their Bike-A-Thon. The council discussed if this was appropriate for the city make a donation to as it's not within the community and there are already a number of donations on the table at this time. No action was taken

7:08pm Alderperson Weston Burkholder present.

**CITY MOWING CONTRACT**- Mayor Ken went over the Annual Mowing Contract for 2022, noting the raise in cost of about \$2,000.00 a year with all the same services. The Maximum weekly invoice would be \$728.00. Ken also stated there had not been a raise in the previous three years and cost of living and fuel have gone up. It was also discussed that the city maintenance does not do any mowing nor have the equipment to do so. **A Motion** was made by alderperson Brad Knutti and seconded by Alderperson Haley Grim to approve the annual mowing Contract for year 2022. Motion carried by 6 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons Lance Leverton, Haley Grim, Brad Knutti, Weston Burkholder, Mark Macomber, and Lynn Collins.

**SWIMMING POOL ORDINANCE- Tabled** – Chief Matt will be looking through the IPMC 2018 to see if it will fit the language and the council can adopt it in its entirety. To be added to next council meeting.

**STANDING COMMITTEES AND BOARDS-POSSIBLE ACTION- Streets and Property** – Alderperson Lance Leverton shared Darin had to make some corrections to the contracts with IDOT and he submitted them yesterday. Also the road study is 40% complete. **Park Board** – Rosemary shared the park board met last week and chose cameras for the park from Northern Illinois TV in Polo and will be installed before March 28<sup>th</sup>. 2022. The internet for the service has already been installed. They were asked how will we enforce if, if or when, they find anything and Rosemary responded that there is an ordinance in place already. The sign at the park lists the rules to be enforced. Maintenance was able to put new legs on the picnic tables and the new garbage cans have been delivered. Maintenance also cut apart the large tables into two. Lastly the cement corn hole game has been ordered to replace the horse shoe pits and should be put in before OSD. Celebrate Lanark will not be putting up banners on the lights poles due to a number of them being destroyed from the wind last summer. Rosemary asked about the Cornerstone building? Nathan McCarthy (new owner) and the city has no baring over the building. This is the forth meeting he was going to attend but didn't make it. Lastly 10am on April 9<sup>th</sup> is the Easter Egg Hunt at the Park.

**REPORTS-EMPLOYEES, ATTORNEY, CLERK, TREASURER, ALDERPERSONS AND MAYOR-**

**Maintenance Manager Jason** – Well 4 is pulled and they are sure the banging problem was the check valve. It is 6 to 8 weeks out. There was a water main break called in last night by W. Dame and Broad. Due to the ground being frozen the water was running under the street into the storm drain. Residents around the break had heard the water running for some time but didn't know what was going on. Maintenance believes this started back during the Carroll Service fire from turning the hydrants on and off also noting the water count after the fire went way up. Jason called IRWA to come out and use computer to narrow down within a foot where the break is. They will be digging it up tomorrow. Alderperson Lance Leverton asked about the mattress on the curb across from FS, noting it has been there since November. **Chief Magill** – went over Code Enforcement Tracking Report noting one has already been resolved and the Schrader building windows are now boarded up. Will be adding 328 W. Locust onto report for vehicles. All four humidifiers have been replaced here at City Hall as well as the thermostat. **Attorney Ed Mitchell** – Said to keep the yellow Statements of Economic Interest coming. Also handed out last years Appropriations for the council to use as a guide for creating this coming year. To be added to the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. **Clerk Marilyn** – Asked if the city does have or if not should have an ordinance for residents living in homes without water? Chief Magill stated that once we have adopted the IPMC Code book we can put together the list and send it to the Health Department. Lastly shared a thank you card. **Treasurer Donalee** - Went over February reports on Change in Bank Balance 2/28/2022, Changes in Balance by Find 2/28/2022, and Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual 2/28/2022. We are \$357k over what was budgeted for income and total expenses we have \$759k that city has not spent. We have reached out to the Lucas Group in Freeport and are waiting to hear back. **Mayor Ken**- Shared that he was on a conference call last fall with State Rep. Andrew Chesney and a DCEO official to discuss HB0064

that Andrew wrote three years. This bill was to give Lanark along with three other municipalities 102,000.00 that has not been received. The response Ken received was Andrew was over his appropriation and could not release the funds. Andrew is the only person who can release these funds but come this November he will no longer be the State Rep. Ken will be writing him a letter asking again for these funds. **Aldersperson Brad** – will not be attending the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. **Aldersperson Haley** – Shared she has received emails asking about when the park cameras will be installed but Rosemary already answered that. OSD is all ready to go and next week Haley will begin working on the brochures. **Aldersperson Mark** – Asked when the new gaming license fee goes into effect as he noticed a check made out for the previous fee. The new gaming license fee will go into effect this May for the 2022-2023 licenses. **Aldersperson Weston**- Cats are running around and he's not sure what we can do about it. Also plan on him being gone for April due to games starting. **Aldersperson Lynn** – Brought up adding Grandparents to employees bereavement in the Employee Handbook. This lead the council to discuss other ideas for bereavement leave and will be added to the next meetings agenda. Lynn had received a call asking if the city can start a capture and neuter/spay of stray cats, brought about form a stray cat named Jasper. Matt shared that the state has a program that supports or helps support this if we have a properly licensed person to carry out the process and pass an ordinance laying out the process. **Chief Magill** – received a FOIA request asking for the last 50 emails received and sent from the mayor, a copy of all the training certificates from the responding FOIA officer, and all credit card statements from January 1<sup>st</sup> to March 7<sup>th</sup> 2022. He had spent 5 hours getting all this information together and send in PDF form per request.

**ADJOURNMENT-MOTION**-was made by Aldersperson Weston Burkholder and seconded by Aldersperson Mark Macomber to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried by 6 aye votes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marilyn Heller, City Clerk