MINUTES
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
Monday, March 4, 2019

Present: Roy Christensen, Jane Raybould, Carl Eskridge, Bennie Shobe, Cyndi Lamm, and Leirion Gaylor Baird

Absent: Jon Camp

Others Present: Teresa Meier, City Clerk; Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff, Mayor’s Office, Chris Connolly, Chief Assistant City Attorney. Other Department Directors’ present.

Chair, Bennie Shobe opened the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

I. MINUTES
Directors’ minutes from February 11, 2019 approved and adopted (6-0).

II. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA
None

III. CITY CLERK
Under Public Hearing Resolutions – Item 5.c. has a Motion to Amend No. 1 – Name change Julie Monroe to Jessica Monroe

IV. MAYOR’S OFFICE
Miki Esposito, Director, Transportation & Utilities, provided a snow update and a pothole preview: Lincoln has received historic snow fall amounts and cold temperatures in the past 6 months, with 51.2 inches of snow fall accumulation since October 14, 2018, more than double the annual average of 20.2 inches. Since February 15, 2019 total accumulation has been in excess of 22 inches. Crews, resources and equipment have been stretched to accommodate the amount of snow we have received. City staff continues to monitor, plan, and operate to keep Lincoln streets safe. Staff is on stand-by to treat hotspots and individual service requests as needed. The public is encouraged to use UPLNK or contact the snow center at 402-441-7644 to report streets that are in need of service. As City crews continue repair operations, the forecast continues to call for precipitation. City staff is in direct communication with the suppliers for salt. Additional loads of salt and supplies have been received and it is anticipated the City will continue to receive additional loads, there has been a strain on all agencies and the winter had wreaked havoc for all. Temperatures are expected to reach the 30’s soon. Staff is working to regularly fill potholes however, with the temperatures being so low the spray-patcher is ineffective. A cold-patch mix is being used to fill potholes; this is a very manual labor approach to filling the potholes. Drivers need to be aware that these crews are out on our city streets and use caution as these crews work diligently to safely fill the potholes. With the cold-patch mix being a temporary fix to repair the potholes, once temperatures rise above freezing crews will then be able to utilize the spray-patcher. The ideal weather to affectively repair potholes is dry spring and summer days.

V. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSION REPORTS

1. BOH - Shobe (02.12.19)
Shobe reported a flu report was provided.

2. MAC – Shobe (2.12.19)
Shobe reported a presentation on the census was provided, conversation included as to the accuracy of the door-to-door method currently being used. The next meeting will include a presentation on the sales tax.

3. PBC – Camp, Raybould (2.12.19)
Raybould reported the committee approved the proposal for the nursing mother’s room in the Hall of Justice and the Dental Clinic remodel. There was a security update on how they can make the parking garage area safer. Discussion was also had on upgrading the lighting in both the west and north parking lots to LED lights for energy savings.
Raybould reported discussion was had on the CJIS proposal summary from the consultant that evaluated the available options to make upgrade changes to the current CJIS system.

Gaylor Baird reported discussion was had on the proposed designated areas of park flyers at both Pioneer’s Park and Mahoney Park for flying model aircrafts. The committee approved the Party in the Parks programming, which include two new things; Movies at the Antelope Band Shell and Parties at Union Plaza. Maggie Stuckey provided a Parks Foundation report.

6. **WHJPA – Eskridge (2.21.19)**
Eskridge reported the DEC is adding the new Olsson building to be serviced. Currently the PBA pays approximately 1/3 of the energy costs for the West Haymarket facilities. As more users are added on to the DEC the current percentage will decrease. Several years ago the City purchased the parking lot to the west of the downtown post-office, the City is responsible for the up-keep of that parking lot, which includes the replacement of a couple light poles with LED fixtures. The current technology at the PBA is in need of upgrades. A report was provided on the audit which included a letter of management supporting the financial work between the WHJPA and the arena.

7. **Funders Group – Gaylor Baird (2.21.19)**
Gaylor Baird reported there was a presentation on the Center for People in Need on refugees healthcare needs and the cost of healthcare.

8. **ILC – Eskridge, Christensen, Shobe (2.25.19)**

Eskridge reported discussion was had on Terry Uland’s upcoming retirement and the process of his replacement. Bob Caldwell and Miki Espositio provided a presentation on the proposed ¼ cent transportation sales tax.

10. **PRT – Lamm (2.28.19)**
Lamm reported two open cases have been closed, no additional properties have been reported.

11. **Convention and Visitors Bureau – Eskridge (2.20.19)**
Eskridge advised Council members that this committee is represented by a Council member but is not a voting member. Eskridge currently attends the quarterly meetings but a new Council member will need to be determined after the election. The past meeting members received grant applications from six different groups, based on the presentations by the groups the committee then makes recommendations, final approval is decided by the County Board.

12. **PAC – Lamm, Shobe, Raybould (2.27.19)**
Raybould reported Lynn Johnson, Director, and Chris Myers, Parks Operation Coordinator, Parks and Rec attended the meeting and provided a summary on EAB (Emerald Ash Borer). Discussion was had on strategies moving forward. Decreased temperatures will kill the larva but temperatures need to be 40° or lower for an extended period of time. Discussion was also had on programs available to assist with funding of tree removal.

**VI. COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**
Chair, Shobe adjourned the meeting at 2:46 p.m.