

**Lanesboro City Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, May 2, 2016**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers**

**Present:** Jason Resseman, Autumn Johnson, Robin Krom, Tom Dybing and Tom Smith

**Absent:** None

**Visitors:** Attorney Tom Manion, Michael and Char Brown, Hannah Wingert, Bretta Grabau, Ceil Allen, Angie Taylor, Dona Conway, Phil Bailey, Phil Dybing, Curtis Bisek, Nick Charlebois, Don Bell, Betsy Holbrook, Andy Drake, Chief Matt Schultz

**Regular Meeting:**

Mayor Krom called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**A. Agenda:** Member Resseman made a motion to approve the Agenda as submitted with the additions of: Public Works under Committee Reports, 24 Hour parking ordinance under miscellaneous, and Street closure under miscellaneous as well. Motion seconded by Council Member Dybing. Motion carried all in favor.

**B. Consent Agenda:**

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- Minutes of the Special Meeting, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- Minutes of the Special Meeting, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- Accounts Payable
- Ordinance for Fire Lane

Council member Resseman motioned to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Motion seconded by Council member Johnson. Motion carried all in favor.

**Committee/Commission Reports:**

- A. Police:** Chief Schultz provided a call log for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2016, the report showed 822 total calls with 387 of the calls specific to Lanesboro. Chief Schultz noted several items: he had attended the annual Chief's conference, the officers have completed their use of force training for the year, there will be a change in staff as two officers have received other employment, e-ticketing is progressing, the grant received for the equipment for e-ticketing has lowered the overall budget for 2016 from \$21,000 to \$14,000. Administrator Peterson will be working with Schultz to provide electronic copies of all Lanesboro ordinances. Member Johnson questioned the idea of creating a full time position, rather than the two part time positions to hopefully reduce turnover.
- B. Public Works:** Member Dybing motioned to approve the repair and maintenance to the Public Works building. Member Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.
- C. EDA:** Member Smith noted the EDA had chosen to go with a 7 member board, and therefore the Council would need to appoint two council members as well as set a compensation amount for all EDA board members. Discussion was then had regarding **amount** of the compensation, several examples were presented. Member Resseman motioned to approve a compensation amount of \$15 per person annually. Member Johnson seconded the motion. Member Resseman motioned to appoint Tom Smith and Robin Krom to the EDA. Member Dybing seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor. Member Smith also noted the EDA will work on clarifying the current mission statement. Member Resseman asked that the posts from the EDA Facebook page be posted on the City Facebook page as well.
- D. Ambulance:** Director Deane Benson reported that EMS week is May 15-21, 2016. To celebrate this, the Ambulance department will be having an event on Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> from 11 am to 2 pm. Members of the

Ambulance and Fire Department, Preston/Lanesboro Police Department, and Public Health will be present to provide demonstrations. Lunch will also be provided. Member Johnson motioned to approve the closing of Coffee Street W from after the alley way until the walking bridge for the event. Member Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor. Benson requested that information for this event be sent out in the utility bills as well as placed on the City Facebook page. Member Johnson also noted that the Ambulance is looking into the possibility of being able to provide retirement benefits to volunteers.

- E. **Park:** Administrator Peterson noted the progress on the revamping of the basketball courts. Also stating that the funding for this project was made possible by a partnership with the school, as well as the proceeds from the sale of the skate park equipment.

Member Smith relayed an idea for motorcycle parking. Council asked Public Works director Drake to look into the idea. As well Mayor Krom will speak with the abutting property owners for their opinion.

- F. **Planning & Zoning:** Member Dybing relayed information regarding permits that were approved at the regular meeting held April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Phil Dybing asked about the state of the Solar Ordinance. Dybing noted that the board had received the suggestions as well as has looked into other cities ordinances; the board requested more time to review the information.

### Community Interest:

- A. **Phil Dybing – Application for detachment:** Mr. Dybing was present to discuss the possibility of detaching two parcels on the south side of town. He noted that he does not benefit from all city services. The Council recognized that the parcels have the following city services: water, electric, garbage, dust control, and snow plowing. Total cost for the detachment process was then discussed. Attorney Manion noted that process should be officially started and filed, so that the process of determining detachment could begin. Further discussion was had regarding if the City was required to provide services to parcels not in the city limits, as well if services are continued could there be a different fee for those provided to parcels in the city limits. Holt Township as at this time decided not to respond to the request for detachment. Mr. Dybing will make the initial payment so that the state will then begin the official process.

### Regular Business:

- A. **Concept Plan Task Force:** Mayor Krom asked the Council to consider forming a task force that would then compile a process of moving forward with the ideas brought forward in the Concept Plan. Discussion was had regarding the specific duties, appropriate number of volunteers, and residency requirements. Further discussion was had regarding having an individual that currently serves on each board make up the concept plan. The Council also asked what the role of the task force would be. The Concept plan is scheduled to be presented at the June regular meeting. No action was taken.
- B. **Continued Business:**
- a. **Drone Ordinance:** Member Smith motioned to table the ordinance indefinitely. Member Resseman seconded the motion. It was discussed that if there was a complaint of a drone at this point it would be covered by the current Nuisance ordinance. Motion carried all in favor.
  - b. **Brew Pub and Distillery Ordinance:** Concerns were brought forward regarding the extensive verbiage of the ordinance, specifically License, Odor, and Loading. Member Smith agreed that the ordinance could be greatly simplified, however the cost of a specific license did need to be determined. Attorney Manion noted he would review the proposed ordinance, and make the suggested changes as well include clauses for no refunds, and no transferability of licenses. Mayor Krom motioned to table the discussion until a new version of the ordinance is presented. Member Resseman seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.
  - c. **Tree Ordinance:** Member Resseman noted he will provide an updated version by the June Council meeting. Member Dybing motioned to continue the discussion next month. Member Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

**C. Miscellaneous:**

- a) **24 Hour Parking Ordinance:** Chief Schultz was present to discuss the basis for such an ordinance. The Council voiced several concerns over such an ordinance. No motion was made.
- b) **Street Closure request:** Member Resseman motioned to approve the alley closure in front of 205 Sheridan St West for a graduation celebration. Member Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

**Closed Meeting:** Mayor Krom closed the regular meeting at 7:06 p.m. for consideration of primary allegations of misconduct of a person over which the Lanesboro City Council has authority, as well for property purchase discussion. Motion to close the public portion of the meeting was made by member Johnson. Member Resseman seconded the motion, motion carried all in favor.

**Next Meeting: Monday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.**

**ADJOURN:** Council Member Johnson moved to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Motion seconded by Council Member Resseman. Motion carried all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Peterson  
City Administrator/Clerk