

**Lanesboro Public Utilities  
Special Meeting, City Council Chambers  
Thursday, March 24, 2016 10:30 a.m.**

Commissioners Present: Jerry Evenson and Theresa Coleman

Absent: Char Brown

Staff Present: Michele Peterson

Visitors: Joe Deden, Michael Brown, Don Bell, and Frank Wright

**Call to Order:** Commissioner Evenson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**Agenda:** Commissioner Evenson moved to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Coleman. Motion carries all in favor.

**Regular Business**

- A. Climate Smart Municipalities:** Administrator Peterson shared an email with the commission. The email contained a notice that all communities that apply for this program will take part in activities, encouraging that Lanesboro make application. Commissioner Coleman then stated she had spoken with the organizer of the Climate Smart Municipalities program. The organizer was not able to define a definite cost total for being part of this program. Coleman also relayed that Dr. Sabine Engel stated that the key to success in Germany was citizen organizing; however Coleman did not feel that allow there was community support it was not to the same level. Coleman also pointed out that the goal of the program was to reduce greenhouse emissions; also the current project listed in the application does not support this. Coleman learned that there would also be additional regional conferences and an annual conference, although again the necessary funds to attend were not available. Commissioner Evenson agreed that the unknown funds were an issue; he offered that perhaps personal involvement could be an option. Visitor Don Bell was in agreement with Evenson. Commissioner Evenson motioned to not submit the application for the Climate Smart Municipalities program. Commissioner Coleman seconded the motion. Motion carries all in favor.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.**

**Adjourn Regular Meeting:** Motion was made by Commissioner Evenson to adjourn the regular meeting of the PUC at 10:37 a.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Coleman. Motion carries all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Peterson  
City Administrator