

# TOWN OF LOMA LINDA, MO

## MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 9, 2024 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Loma Linda met at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, in the Loma Linda Town Hall. Trustees present: James Childers, Bruce Anderson, Aaron Hamilton, Barbara Hutchison and Tom Parr.

### I.

The First Order of Business was the presentation of the December 12, 2023 meeting minutes. Tom Parr made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented and seconded by Bruce Anderson. The motion was **unanimously approved**.

### II.

The Second Order of Business was the Financial Report. Jan Woody read the Financial Reports. Bruce Anderson made a motion to approve the financial report and seconded by Barbara Hutchison. The motion was **unanimously approved**.

### III.

The Third Order of Business was the request for payment of routine monthly bills from the General, Utility, and Park Accounts: Payments totaling \$10,899.01 from the General Account, \$9,429.62 from the Utility Account and \$100.00 from the Park Account. Tom Parr made a motion to pay the bills and seconded by Barbara Hutchison. The motion was **approved**. *\*James Childers abstained\**.

### IV.

The Fourth Order of Business was the Finance Committee Report. Jan Woody presented the minutes and the proposed changes to the 2023 and 2024 budgets. Tom Parr made a motion to approve the Finance Committee's 2023 amended budget as presented and seconded by Aaron Hamilton. The motion was **unanimously approved**. Aaron Hamilton made a motion to approve the Finance Committee's 2024 amended budget as presented and seconded by Barbara Hutchison. The motion was **unanimously approved**.

### V.

1. The Fifth Order of Business was "Around Town": December 2023 lift station report states flows are over limits in comparison with December 2022. Chairman Childers will send correspondence to Downstream.

### VI.

The Sixth Order of Business was Ordinances: Ordinances discussion and review will continue at February's meeting.

### VII.

The Seventh Order of Business was Old Business:

1. Resident, Dan McMMain re-addressed the board on the current speed limits in Loma Linda. Aaron Hamilton will gather information for updating side street speed limits and present at February meeting.
2. West gate entrance avoidance violators and product tampering. Board to review proposed new surveillance quote for discussion at February meeting. Town Clerk to get warranty information.
3. Re-visit staffing maintenance person for town. Board discussed and reviewed list provided by Matt Barker of current town maintenance duties performed. Chairman Childers to speak with town's attorney to discuss any restrictions creating a contracted position.
4. Candidate sign-ups equaled the number of board seats (3), resulting in no election required as per Ordinance, however, per Missouri state law; since we have a ballot item (Tax Levy renewal) at the same election, candidate names will also be on the ballot for Board of Trustee positions.
5. Board read, discussed and approved ballot verbiage of continuing with the \$.30 Tax Levy. The continuance tax serves the town significantly with maintaining streets and other vital community expenses. Bill No. 25-008, Ordinance No. 20-001, was read two times for passage. Bruce Anderson made a motion to approve the first reading and seconded by Barbara Hutchison. The motion was **unanimously approved**. Barbara Hutchison made a motion to approve the second reading and seconded by Tom Parr. The motion was **unanimously approved**.

After both readings the board discussed updating the ordinance title to reflect the tax levy is a continued and not a new tax. Bill No 25-008, Ordinance No. 20-001 was re-read with verbiage change two times for passage. Aaron Hamilton made a motion to approve the first reading with verbiage change as discussed and seconded by Tom Parr. The motion was **unanimously approved**. Barbara Hutchison made a motion to approve the second reading with verbiage change as discussed and seconded by Aaron Hamilton. The motion was **unanimously approved**

VIII.

The Eighth Order of Business was New Business:

1. Board discussed letter requesting sewer tie-in from Greenwood Drive property. Barbara Hutchison made a motion to deny request and seconded by Aaron Hamilton. The motion was **unanimously approved**. Letter from the board will be sent to inform requested parties of the board's decision. James Childers and Bruce Anderson will meet with engineer to further discuss state of Loma Linda sewer system.
2. Chairman Childers and Town Clerk will work on increased fine schedule for late sewer payments.
3. Locks will be installed on the park and town hall water spigots due to unauthorized use.
4. Town Hall conference room rented; January 6 & 20, 2024.
5. Town Hall will be closed Monday, January 15, 2024 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day aligning with Newton County.

IX.

The Ninth Order of Business was a motion to adjourn by Aaron Hamilton and seconded by Bruce Anderson. The motion was **unanimously approved**.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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RaChelle Garman, Town Clerk

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James Childers, Chair, Board of Trustees

*Posted: Thursday, January 11, 2024*