

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009  
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Lamps called the regular monthly Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with council members Batchelor, Campbell, Englebretson, Froeba, Gluch-Voss, Kowalczyk (arrived late at 7:17 p.m.), Schmitt, and Tesch present.

Citizen present were Senator Pat Kreitlow.

Clerk Toufar verified the postings.

Senator Kreitlow spoke about the many schools that he was visiting and the awards that he was giving out. Senator Kreitlow also wanted to thank the City of Loyal for allowing him to have a listening session one hour before the council meeting.

No corrections were made to the December 15, 2009, Council agenda.

Motion was made by Campbell to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2009, regular Council meeting, seconded by Gluch-Voss. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was approved on a motion made by Gluch-Voss, seconded by Schmitt. Motion carried.

Utility Committee-Meeting was held on December 1, 2009. Schmitt reported on the Brock property, which was tabled until we get the legal opinion from Attorney John Kruse. Schmitt reported on the old sewer plant sale to the City of Greenwood. Kowalczyk made a motion to put the old sewer plant up for bids as per the opinion of the Department of Natural Resources, seconded by Schmitt. Motion carried. Clerk Toufar will be sending a formal letter to the City of Greenwood. Schmitt reported on the well project. The equipment is in place as of December 15, 2009 and will be on-line January 1, 2010. Schmitt reported on the Industrial Drive project. Schmitt reported on snow removal. Duell checked with Bugar, and they are keeping the same rates as 2009. Next Utility meeting will be held on January 5, 2009, at 6:30 p.m.

Police/Fire and Ambulance Committee- Batchelor made a motion to table the Ordinance 7-1-1 through 7-1-14 Cats Running at Large, seconded by Tesch. Motion carried.

Finance Committee - Meetings were held on December 7, 2009, and December 14, 2009. Campbell reported that they met with Michelle Hartness and the school on the storm-warning siren. Loyal Economic Development is willing to pay half the cost and Loyal Public School is donating \$100. Froeba will be checking with the Fire Department and the Ambulance if they are willing to donate to the siren. Campbell made a motion to approve the purchase of the storm-warning siren to be located at Loyal Public School with maximum costs of \$3,812, seconded by Schmitt. Motion carried. Campbell made a motion to hire Clifton Gunderson to do a full audit for 2009, seconded by Kowalczyk. Motion carried. Campbell made a motion to transfer any money left over in the 2009 street construction budget to the 2010 street construction budget, seconded by Schmitt. Motion carried.

Library Committee - No meeting held.

Personnel Committee - Meeting was held on November 30, 2009. Gluch-Voss reported that the Personnel Committee met with the department heads on the changes to the policy and procedures manual. Gluch-Voss read a letter from Attorney John Kruse stating that the Personnel Committee does have the authority to make these changes. Gluch-Voss made a motion to approve the changes to the policy and procedure manual, sections 5.3 through 8.14, seconded by Tesch.

Roll call vote was taken:

Batchelor-yes

Campbell-yes

Englebretson-yes

Froeba-yes

Gluch-Voss-yes

Kowalczyk-no

Schmitt-yes

Tesch-yes

Motion carried on 7 yes votes and 1 no vote.

Park and Recreation Committee - No meeting held.

City View Estates Committee - No meeting held.

Planning Commission - No meeting held.

Economic Development - No meeting held.

Clerk Toufar- Clerk Toufar reported that all taxes have been mailed out, and we are starting to collect some of them. Clerk Toufar also wanted to remind all Council members to have their timesheets in by December 28, 2009.

New Business - Froeba reported that a resident wants the siren to blow again. They are willing to take the siren down and fix it at no cost to the City. If it costs too much to replace, they will give it back to the City to scrap.

Campbell made the motion to approve vouchers in the following amounts:

GENERAL FUND: \$38,669.55

WATER UTILITY: \$44,540.01

WASTEWATER UTILITY: \$7,085.52

Seconded by Batchelor. Motion carried.

Schmitt made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Batchelor. Motion carried.

Shannon Toufar, City Clerk/Treasurer, December 15, 2009