

**CITY OF LANDER
WORK SESSION MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
240 LINCOLN STREET
LANDER, WY 82520
June 26, 2018**

THE CITY OF LANDER IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Governing Body Present: Mayor Del McOmie, Council President Cade Maestas, Vice President Monte Richardson, Council Members Melinda Cox, Melinda Cox, Mark Calhoun, Dick Hudson

Governing Body Absent: Council Members Dan Hahn

City Staff Present: Assistant Mayor RaJean Strube Fossen, Police Chief Bob Cecrle, Public Works Director Lance Hopkin Hopkin, City Attorney Adam Phillips, City Treasurer Charri Lara, City Clerk Sarah Edlund

Mayor Called meeting to order at 6:01

1. Staff and council update

City Clerk Edlund gave update on variance request and photo contest

City Attorney Phillips, contracts and working on tracking down Verizon contact for our agreement.

City Treasurer Lara, we are moving to purchasing cards, a new revenue stream for the city as it they will give us a 1% rate back on all our purchases. Our local vendors will be paid quicker. Our reporting process will be all electronic and will stream line our processes.

Public Works Director Hopkin, Jefferson Street with water and sewer is done, so now the street work can begin. There were no change orders.

Rodeo grounds should be wrapped up by the end of the week and ready for the rodeo next week. He is proud of our staff and our volunteer Doug Annesi. Painting and stripping on Main will start tomorrow. The Chamber and First Street will follow that. We have started mosquito spraying. Meeting tomorrow on our street projects 1% work with Gores and Associates. FEMA work is progressing meeting with Strike consulting work and they are moving forward on their designs.

Council Member Cox, a lot of people are coming out of the Lander Bar and turning right onto first street we probably need to have that bush cut back and a big no right turn sign on that alley. That bush makes it really hard to see the sign.

Council Member Hudson, the city was having some concrete being poured and no one let the cemetery know so some concrete was thrown away wasted?

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Public Works Director Hopkin, I don't know what that would have been for but I will look into it and find out because I don't want it wasted as well.

Council Member Hudson, I had a call on my cell phone today from a Riverton number and it was someone I have known for a long time and he is a BTI driver and he is really concerned about how long the light at the top of the hill is and how short the green light is. It is not long enough for them to make that corner.

Public Works Director Hopkin, that intersection is all based on cameras and is controlled by WYDOT. We can ask them to look at that intersection.

Assistant Mayor Strube Fossen, we are applying for another TAP grant, due the 15th of July. It will be a master transportation plan. 80% grant and 20% match. Last plan was completed in 1978.

Council Member Cox, do they allow for an in-kind match or is it all in cash?

It is 5,000 in cash and then in kind, WYDOT is all cash. Once we have the plan it assists on getting funding for construction to implement the plan.

Council President Maestas, I think it is important to call out that our safe routes to school are a part of this plan and it is not only focused on bicycles.

Police Chief Ceclre, lot of people are here visiting, we are working on our different grants. We do have multiple bike patrols out. 3 of our employees are at training now. Remind everyone with the 4th coming up that fireworks are only from 10 am to midnight. There are no fireworks on city property, Main Street, and parks. Please make sure you clean up the next day. New employee starting tomorrow to replace Fred Cox from last September. Tomorrow we have our annual briefing at the fire drill field at 3:00, at 4:00 we will be serving hamburgers, council and staff are invited.

Council Member Cox, the new uniforms are nice the officers look very professional.

Inmate transport system is not great. I would like to meet with you about that separately.

Council Member Cox update, we have the state drug court coordinators in town it was a great meeting at the Mill house.

Council President Maestas, one thing from the golf course, they are going through an issue with one of their members. It is a golf course issue, please do not let it become a city issue, it is for the golf course to work out, and if they want to speak with someone please direct them to Adam. It is a private facility and a leased property.

Council Member Calhoun, just a comment on the golf course, as we are coming into summer we need to meet about what we are doing for the landscaping at the community center.

Council Vice President Richardson, city crews did a great job at the rodeo grounds. We are moving the location of the fireworks to right off the roping shoots so everyone will have a great view. Thanks to the rural fire department for that as well.

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Mayor, our volunteer Doug Annesi has been an great asset to this project. It looks like a more professional rodeo than it did before. We have a new ADA section on the bleachers and it will be great.

Council Member Calhoun, the Community Center, the events I have had the opportunity to attend it has been an incredible asset to our community. We received numerous comments from our out of town guests at our wedding this weekend about how it is such a great center.

Council Member Hudson, it is not only for big events to you can also rent out smaller areas too.

Mayor working on our 1% project and getting the engineering evaluations ready.

Public Works Director Hopkin we should be letting these projects soon and by the end of next summer people will be sick of all our street work.

Council Member Calhoun, gave update on Pinedale meeting, some of us went to WAM convention good training and it was very helpful. It was a good event. Mayor, we had two resolutions we proposed, gave update on those resolutions.

Mayor gave update on how sales taxes are distributed around the state, county and local level.

2. Emergency MOU with SageWest Health Care

City Attorney Phillips, we reviewed this as a staff, and I had a concern about the definition of what a mass catastrophic event and what does that mean. I think that it should be better defined. Removing any specific person's name and make it more general to the position. The other issue is what about if we have previously rented out the facility already.

Council Member Cox, part of what is driving these MOUs is due to the mass casualty situations and making sure there is space available to utilize for emergency situations. I think they would be a priority before a wedding.

Fremont County never signed the agreement we had previously approved.

City Attorney Phillips if we are signing both agreements we need to make sure they can survive at the same time. Who would have priority? We also need to make sure that we add that disclaimer to our rental agreement.

Council President Maestas if we have this type of event we will find the place, so I think it is a reasonable request to review.

Mayor looking for clarification from the council that we can move forward for clarification and work on this agreement.

Council Member Calhoun is there a similar agreement with these two entities and the school districts as well?

We should invite them into the conversation as well since they have some large areas.

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Public Works Director Hopkin if we can offer a smaller facility to meet their needs we need to include that language as well.

3. Goals and Accomplishments

Assistant Mayor Strube Fossen, presenting our goal sheet and our mission statement for the City of Lander. We still need to present to the staff and managers so this is not a final document but it is a focus on our future.

Council President Maestas, so having this list presented to the council, we will have some major changes in the coming months. We have operated under a strong mayor position and it seems like a lot of this stuff seems to fall under what the council should be reviewed more specifically by the council.

Mayor, this gives our new council folks something to review.

Public Works Director Hopkin I think this was made in an effort with things that you as a council have directed us as a staff, not in spite of you.

Assistant Mayor Strube Fossen, Riverton hired a professional to come up with a specific plan so we can look at doing that.

Council Member Hudson, I would also recommend that the council members come to the Thursday managers meetings, this is a lot of what is covered.

Council Member Cox I think this is a good start and it is a good place for the candidates here can see it. It is also good to look at it as a working document so it gets updated.

Mayor the city is trying to be more proactive vs retroactive.

Assistant Mayor Strube Fossen – schedule of what we have been working on. This is priority list that was developed and we review it and make sure we are working on getting them completed. This is another living document that is updated and prioritized regularly.

Council President Maestas the personnel evaluations, this has been a conversation point since I started the council. We need to make this a priority as it is a pretty key piece for running anything.

Mark, redundant internet at the community center?

We have a microwave tower and we are looking at the last mile of fiber. We are working on firewall upgrades.

Council President Maestas water rights in the gannet peak subdivision , they have signed them over to the city and now we have to go back to the state and file for those with the state.

Annexations that we want to get done before the 2020 census

South industrial park is working on annexing themselves by plat since they all want to be included in town.

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Council Member Calhoun on page 3 under caboose location can we define that more? Maybe assign a volunteer to that item? We don't get many new suggestions for the problem but we need to find the specific location.

Mayor I recommend the park just across from the maverick. But we have to work with the WYDOT.

Public Works Director Hopkin, the Golf course would like to talk to us about keeping it where it is at as well.

Council Vice President Richardson, can we approach WYDOT about that location? Sure.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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By: _____
Del McOmie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah Edlund, City Clerk

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