# CITY OF LANDER WORK SESSION MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS 240 LINCOLN STREET LANDER, WY 82520 July 28, 2022

## THE CITY OF LANDER IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

**Governing Body Present:** Mayor Monte Richardson, Council Members John Larsen, Melinda Cox, Julia Stuble (via Zoom), Missy White, Dan Hahn

Governing Body Absent: Chris Hulme

City Staff Present: City Treasurer Charri Lara, City Clerk/Human Resource Director, Rachelle Fontaine, Public Works Director Lance Hopkin (via zoom), Assistant Mayor RaJean Strube Fossen, Attorney Adam Phillips

### I. Staff & Council Updates

Chief Peters- Received grant through Homeland Security for radios. He has submitted to WYDOT for ARPA funds as well. The department is dealing with a lot of code issues. E Ticketing should be running by October.

Airport & Fire Hall Facilities Manager, Chris Johnson- Has also applied for a zero match WYDOT grant for radios. Construction at the airport starts next month and should go about three months.

Assistant Mayor, RaJean Strube Fossen – Wind River Visitor signs are up and running. In August we should be issuing a form public nonprofit to advertise. An Open House is planned for August 3 from 2-6 pm. The design team will be available to answer questions concerning flood mitigation and Lance Hopkin will be available to answer questions concerning the 1% capital improvement projects, as well as other city staff. This is in addition to the flood mitigation meeting that will be held at 65% of design.

City Treasurer, Charri Lara-The City has hired Kevin Kulow as the Deputy Treasurer. He will begin August 8. This is not a new position but a realignment of job duties due to a retirement.

City Attorney, Adam Phillips – Nothing

City Clerk/Human Resource Director Rachelle Fontaine- Bobby Cecrle was hired to fill the open Water Systems Operator position.

Council Member Stuble- Attended a Conservation District meeting. Discussed about dog park and maintenance of the park. The Wyoming Main Street Alliance peer visit was very productive. She will provide the report when it is completed.

Council Member Dan Hahn – Inquired if the Community Center sign is broken. The sign is broken

Council Member White —Inquired if the rural water house payment system was working. Charri Lara believes the magnetic strip is malfunctioning. The city is creating a system for people to create an account for users. She would like a discussion concerning the increasing volume of campers and the behaviors in City Park. She reported positive feedback from a constituent as to the council's proactive approach.

Council Member Hulme-The Golf Course Board fundraiser, tournament, and silent auction went well. There was a wide variety of silent auction items. The Board is actively attempting to raise funding. The new Golf Pro is keeping the course is the best shape it has been in years.

Council Member Cox- She is concerned about homelessness and camping in City Park. Chief Peters commented there has been a population influx at the campground and camping is not living. Council Member Cox reported on the EE task force. She would like them to come to the council and present. She would like funding to be available to

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capitalize on easy energy efficient ideas. She would also like to discuss an avenue for the council to address constituent concerns and allow for dialogue.

Council Member John Larsen- The Pig Roast Friday and Saturday great activity. Several people thanked him for the event.

Mayor Richardson-Presented a Pig Roast report. It was more successful than last year. The event serves to raise awareness for mental health. Thirteen pigs were cooked, and food was served from noon to six o'clock at night. The Mayor thanked Chief Peters, John Larsen, RaJean and Ron Fossen, and Hunter Roseberry for staying all day.

II. The Lander Valley Farmers Market Board of Directors discussion concerning the successes of the farmers market and their desire to collaboratively explore a permanent, stable weekly location for the market.

Helen Wilson, Toby Schmidt, Bailey Brennan and Jeff were present to discuss a permanent location for the farmer's market primarily this season and next season as well. A discussion was held, concerning potential locations for the market, park fee schedules, setting precedents for various organizations, the benefit to the community and small businesses the market provides. The Mayor will schedule a meeting with the Parks Department, himself and the farmer's market to explore options and solutions.

Adjourned 7:55 p.m.		
	The City of Lander	
	A Municipal Corporation	
	Monte Richardson, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Rachelle Fontaine, City/Clerk Hur	man Resource Director	

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