

City of Lismore  
Minutes of the Council  
May 5, 2020

The following are the minutes of the City Council meeting held on May 5, 2020. This meeting was held as a virtual meeting. In attendance for the Council: Dan Diekmann, Steve Wieneke, Vickie Leinen, Ryan Schieck and Mayor Jill Diekmann. Mayor Diekmann called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

On a motion by Dan and seconded by Ryan it was duly passed to approve the Agenda. On a motion by Dan and seconded by Steve it was duly passed to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on April 7, 2020 and the minutes of the Local Board of Review meeting held on April 24, 2020. On a motion by Steve and seconded by Vickie it was duly passed to approve the financial statement, pay the invoices and make the stated transfers.

Justin Ahlers gave the maintenance report. Justin stated the spring clean-up is scheduled for May 18, 2020. All council members agreed to go forward with the cleanup. Nobles Electric is working on the new substation off of Hwy 91 and has black dirt they will stockpile at the ponds for future use. The cost will be \$8.00 a yard and no delivery charge. Justin reported that the ball field parking area needs to have tile work done to find where the broken tile is. After the tile work is corrected the area will be built up and the drain will be steered so that it will not affect the adjoining properties. The cost will be shared with the Lismore Foundation and the Lismore Booster Club. On a motion by Dan and seconded by Ryan it was duly passed to approve the maintenance report.

Fire Department Report: Jim Weidert was unable to log into the meeting. Jim reported Kate needs to send in the rooster to MBFTE. On a motion by Ryan and seconded by Dan it was duly passed to approve the fire department report.

Mail-In Voting: The Nobles County Auditor, Joyce Jacobs requested the Council to change the primary election to mail-in voting. This would insure the social distancing role was obeyed. If the Council chooses to go this route it would mean the General election would also be mail-in voting. Joyce assured the Council this could change back to in person voting after this year's election. After much discussion, on a motion by Dan and seconded by Vickie it was duly passed to stay with the in person voting for both elections.

Building Permit: After review of the application from Kyle Dahmen for a fence and a greenhouse, the Council tabled the decision on the greenhouse and will consider approval with additional information received on the structure size and location, a variance application with signatures of 75% of the neighbors agreement is also necessary.

Kate McCann gave the clerk's report. Kate reported the filing dates for the city election are from July 28, 2020 until August 11, 2020 at 5:00 pm. Kate stated she would be obtaining signatures for the Ipad agreements and also the attendance sheets for the Local Board of Review meeting that was held virtually on April 24, 2020. Those will be obtained during the week. The City has been notified of the Clark property being in the estate probate phase. Kate has tried to contact the attorney that she was speaking with and she is waiting to hear back. On a motion by Ryan and seconded by Dan it was duly passed to approve the clerk's report.

Tree Replacement Report: Vickie reported that there are entities working with Cities for the replacement of trees, due to the removal of the Ash trees. At this time they are not working too diligently due the Coronavirus. Justin reported there approximately 30 Ash trees remaining in town.

With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Dan and seconded by Vickie it was duly passed to adjourn the meeting. The next City Council meeting will be held on June 9, 2020 at 6:00 pm.