

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF LAKE QUIVIRA KANSAS  
October 5, 2020  
6:30 p.m.**

**Present**

Mayor Brady Lilja  
Council President John Christy  
Councilmember Gayle Best  
Councilmember Dave McCullagh  
Councilmember Annie Noland  
Councilmember Greg Prieb, II  
City Attorney Michelle Daise  
City Administrator / City Treasurer Erin Leckey  
City Clerk / Court Administrator Kathy Bounds  
Chief of Police / Building Official Fred Grenier

**Visitors**

Ray Ansari – 135 TTS  
Bill Cole – 143 LSDS  
Bruce Rimbo – 262 LSW

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**Call to Order**

Mayor Lilja called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Council President Christy led the Pledge of Allegiance. All were welcomed to participate.

**Visitor's Comments:** None during this time.

**Approval of Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on September 14, 2020. Motion:**

Councilmember McCullagh made a motion to approve the minutes from the, September 14, 2020 Council Meeting. **Second:** Councilmember Best seconded the motion. **Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.** *Councilmember Prieb was not present at the Council Meeting during this motion.*

**Treasurer's Report:**

A written report was submitted by City Treasurer Leckey for review and consideration. Mayor Lilja entertained a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted. **Motion:** Council President Christy made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. **Second:**

Councilmember Noland seconded the motion. **Vote: 4-0 - Motion carried.** *Councilmember Prieb was not present at the Council Meeting during this motion.*

*\*A copy of the Treasurer's Report can be obtained, by request, at City Hall.*

### **SMAC Report:**

Bill Cole, SMAC representative for the City, presented a draft of a report he, Tom Haag (PE) and Jonathan Conrad (PE) prepared relating to the Conceptual Plan for the Lake Quivira Dam, Spillways & Downstream Park project. Mr. Cole provided an overview of the report consisting of:

- **Purpose:** to determine a reasonable refined conceptual plan that will lead to an engineering construction and commissioning project for the renewal of the dam and spillway with enhancement of the downstream park.
- **Process:** this initial document is designed to be changed as others provide input so that it reflects feedback from city leadership, focus group of citizens, Quivira Incorporated (QInc), Quivira Foundation (QF), and other City of Lake Quivira stakeholders.
- **Payoff:** this approach allows the city to maximize the value created from renewed infrastructure while minimizing the required tax increases and/or bond request. The goal is a best cost approach to completion of any necessary work that will *\*protect our assets\*enhance our environment\*build an even better community\**.

### **Police Chief's Report:**

Chief Grenier submitted a written report and asked if there were any questions related to the report. An inquiry was made about an accident involving a golf cart. Chief Grenier provided an update on the incident.

### **City Attorney's Report**

No report.

### **Council Reports:**

#### **Councilmember Best:**

Councilmember Best reported after many communications with, and an onsite visit by, John Blessing, our Waste Management Account Manager, the issue involving missed trash pick-up on Terrace Trail East appears to now be resolved.

Councilmember Best noted the Shred Event, hosted by the City, will be on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to noon. A Shred-It truck will be stationed outside of the Fire Station bay area along with a worker to assist loading items securely into the truck. City Clerk Bounds will create a flyer to distribute to black boxes, post information on the City website and Facebook, and will email information about the event to Q-Inc. to share as well.

Councilmember Best met with contractors to discuss the reconfiguration project for the front entrance to City Hall. Through those discussions, she was advised it would be in the City's best

interest to obtain an engineering study prior to any preliminary work being done to determine design options for the front City Hall parking lot and front façade, ADA and traffic impacts, and a survey to determine current utility locations and reconfigurations. She reported, through her research, the cost of obtaining an engineering study would be approximately \$5,800. Following discussion about funding those costs, a motion was entertained.

**Motion:** Councilmember Best made a motion to allow her to engage with Olsson Engineering to obtain a study for a Master Plan Design for the City Hall front entrance project, in an amount not to exceed \$6,000. **Second:** Councilmember McCullagh seconded. **Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.**

**Council President Christy:**

Council President Christy provided updates as follows:

Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting. Council President Christy confirmed the date for the Mayor's Christmas tree lighting as Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. With current COVID restrictions in place, it is unclear what the festivities will include this year, but he will provide an update as that information becomes available.

Dam. Council President Christy thanked Bill Cole for the presentation related to the dam project and encouraged the Council to read through the full report. He will follow-up with a date for a Special Meeting if it is determined one is needed.

Burying powerlines. Council President Christy updated the Council with his findings related to the cost for burying city powerlines. He reported Evergy provided a cost free bid outlining approximately \$400 per linear foot to bury the lines. It was noted this might be a project the City could propose to the Foundation for consideration, as it is one that would add to the aesthetics of the community as a whole.

Non-Discriminatory Ordinance. With the importance of open discussion on the subject, the Council decided to table this item during mandated COVID restrictions which didn't allow for in-person Council Meetings. However, since that time, there has been a Supreme Court ruling rendered at the federal level protecting the LBGT community from employment discrimination. After conferring with City Attorney Daise, it has been determined the effectiveness of the City adopting a Non-Discriminatory Ordinance no longer carries the same relevance. Instead, the City can adopt a Resolution. A Resolution is not enforceable by law, but it does create a stance on non-discrimination for the City. A draft of the Resolution should be ready for presentation at the November Council Meeting.

**Councilmember McCullagh:**

Councilmember McCullagh reported he continues to provide the (LQ) monthly events calendar to Waste Management, noting it appears to be helping as there is noticeably less odor emissions on those dates. He also advised the new waste cell for Lake Quivira opened on Monday and should be fully functional by early November.

Councilmember McCullagh reported the Chicken Ordinance is still being fine-tuned, specifically as it relates to setbacks and accessory structures. He noted a meeting will be scheduled with the Planning Commission to make sure the Ordinance adheres to current code and zoning regulations. Councilmember McCullagh indicated the Ordinance should be ready for adoption by the November or December Council Meeting, depending on when the meeting with the Planning Commission takes place.

**Councilmember Noland:**

Councilmember Noland introduced Ray Ansari of 135 Terrace Trail South. Mr. Ansari owns HCI, a local energy consulting firm. Mr. Ansari shared information about his company and discussed options related to the technology and communication components needed for the security camera project they could assist with. Discussion followed about the City becoming a Smart City, noting the security camera project could be the gateway for that. It was also noted there are grants the City could apply for that might help with infrastructure costs. The security camera project remains ongoing as long-term planning options are considered.

Councilmember Noland reported the Tree Committee, formed to draft the Tree Ordinance, would be meeting on Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. The Council were encouraged to share any ideas they may have with Councilmember Noland for the draft, and she would be happy to include them in the discussion.

Councilmember Noland reported she, Mayor Lilja, and Dean Lytton met with Dr. Griner, the Health Officer for Wyandotte County, on September 24<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was scheduled following discussion at the September 14<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting related to mask requirements for indoor tennis events. She reported the meeting was very informative and explained her understanding of some of the restriction differences between Johnson and Wyandotte counties. She suggested follow up meetings with Dr. Griner to keep residents informed on the status of Covid and restrictions.

**Councilmember Prieb:**

Councilmember Prieb reported speaking with Troy Shaw at Wyandotte County about replacing the guardrail on Holliday Drive where the recent asphalt work was done. Due to destabilization of the hillside at the site, Mr. Shaw indicated they are looking into other options to replace it without destabilizing the hillside further. Mayor Lilja voiced concern for traffic safety, commenting on an accident this past week involving a large truck backing out of an adjacent driveway on Holliday Drive. Councilmember Prieb shared the accident information (and pictures) with Mr. Shaw and will continue to be in communication with him on this issue.

Councilmember Prieb reported Way & Sons provided a tentative start date of mid-October for asphalt work on Lakeshore, near the horse stables, weather permitting. Councilmember Prieb will advise Q-Inc. and the Police Department once the actual start date is confirmed.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Lilja reported he and City Administrator Leckey met with the City Manager and new Fire Chief of Shawnee, noting it was a very good meeting. They were updated on projects taking place in Shawnee, and Mayor Lilja was happy to report, things will remain the same contractually between the City of Lake Quivira and Shawnee.

Mayor Lilja reminded everyone about the Duck Derby on October 17th and encouraged participation. He reported the City will be donating a gift basket, and proceeds raised during the derby will go toward the Coronado Springs project.

Mayor Lilja discussed Cares Funding, which are funds allocated to the City, by the County, to reimburse for COVID related expenses up to a certain dollar amount, excluding payroll. Some examples provided, but not limited to, were hand sanitizer stations, masks, gloves, and an air filtration/purifying system. Items have to first be approved by the county as a COVID related expense, and then paid for by the City no later than December 30<sup>th</sup>, to qualify for reimbursement. Mayor Lilja provided a list of suggested items he, Fred, Erin and Kathy generated, and requested the Council's input on the items listed, as well as items not listed, that they feel would be beneficial to the City. Several items and projects were discussed.

**Old Business:**

- I. **Discussion of matters related to a Non-Discriminatory Ordinance.** Discussion held under Council President Christy's report.

**New Business:**

- I. **Discussion related to Every Tree Trimming Project.** Mayor Lilja reported Every contacted the City advising they will begin tree trimming in the community later this month and anticipate the project will take 4-6 weeks to complete.

**Executive Session:**

None.

Before adjournment, City Administrator provided an update on the community mapping project she has been working on. She explained the project was initiated following a fire on the golf course in 2019 when first responders had difficulty locating the fire. She indicated the project was put on hold until the Community Center opened, but is now close to being finalized. She reported when the new mapping system is launched, it will replace the centralized address system (100 Crescent Blvd.) currently in use. The new mapping system will divide the community into zones providing first responder's with a more accurate location of where they are being dispatched to within the community.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion:** Council President Christy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. **Second:** Councilmember Noland seconded the motion. **Vote: 5-0. Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Kathy Bounds  
City Clerk

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**  
**December 7, 2020**  
**6:30 P.M.**



**Brady Lilja** - Quivira Inc., Q2 Board, Lake Quivira Foundation and Police.

**Gayle Best** - Tree City, Railroad, Aesthetics, Landfill, City Hall and Holliday Drive.

**John Christy** - Dam/Spillway, Litigation, 4th of July/Fireworks, and Holliday Drive.

**Dave McCullagh** - Budget/Finance, Ordinances, Gas Station, Landfill Odor, Deer Harvest and Research.

**Annie Noland** - Employee Performance Reviews and Issues, Insurance, Web Presence and vacant fire station space.

**Greg Prieb** - Roads, Lake Preservation, Zoning and Development, Building Requirements and City Hall.