

**LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 13, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Lowell Town Council was called to order on Monday, July 13, 2015 at 7:04 P.M. by President Christopher Salatas. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence. Clerk-Treasurer Judith Walters called the roll. Members present were Craig Earley, LeAnn Angerman, Donald Parker, Christopher Salatas, and Edgar Corns. Also present were Town Attorney David Westland, Police Chief Erik Matson, Building Administrator Tom Trulley, Public Works Director Greg Shook, two members of the media, and eleven citizens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Corns made a motion to approve the June 22, 2015 regular meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Angerman and carried with five ayes.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

President Salatas asked for approval of White Vouchers #1631 - #1710- \$899,091.93, White-Police #4139 - #4152 - \$7,857.82, Water #2416 - #2479 - \$142,597.21, Waste Water #3351 - #3392 - \$321,977.59, and Stormwater Utility #5087 - #5098 - \$8,052.53. Councilman Earley made a motion to approve the vouchers as listed, seconded by Councilman Corns and carried with five ayes.

MONTHLY REPORTS- June 2015

Councilman Corns made a motion to approve the June 2015 Monthly Reports, seconded by Councilwoman Angerman and carried with five ayes.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Public Hearing -

1st reading - Ordinance #2015-11 - Additional Appropriation - Freedom Park - \$2,700 - President Salatas opened the public hearing. With no one to speak for or against Ordinance #2015-11, President Salatas closed the public hearing. Councilman Parker approved the first reading of Ordinance #2015-11 by name and title only, seconded by Councilwoman Angerman and carried with five ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Works Department Update - No report given.

Powell Ditch Project - Sign Certificate of Final Completion, Approval, and Acceptance of Work - Public Works Director Greg Shook stated that Powell Ditch has been completed, inspected, and everything has been approved. Councilman Earley made a motion to accept the certificate of completion for Powell Ditch, seconded by Councilman Parker. Councilman Corns asked if SEH was satisfied with all of the work that has been done so far. Director Shook stated they were. The motion carried by roll call vote with five ayes.

Shared Ethics Commission Appointment - Councilwoman Angerman made a motion to appoint Robert Philpot to the Shared Ethics Commission, seconded by Councilman Parker and carried four to one by roll call vote with Councilman Earley voting nay.

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CDBG Sidewalks - Approve Invoice from Konradi Koncrete - \$12,597.95 and forward to County for payment - Director Shook stated the Council had approved a project through CDBG funds to do sidewalk replacement and handicap curb ramps, and currently we have two invoices from Konradi Koncrete that total \$29,508.30 and asked for approval to send those two invoices to the County for payment. Councilman Parker made a motion to approve the invoices for \$29,508.30, seconded by Councilman Parker. Councilman Corns stated he only had one invoice. Clerk-Treasurer Judith Walters stated on Friday there was only one invoice, but Mr. Konradi had dropped off a second invoice today in the amount of \$16,910.35 that needed to be added. Director Shook stated between those two, it makes the total of \$29,508.30, and stated there will be one more invoice to come at a later date. The motion carried by roll call vote with five ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Act on Compliance with Statement of Benefits for Tax Abatement - Kouli Enterprises - Clerk-Treasurer Walters stated the Town had given Kouli Enterprises a tax abatement three years ago for the Signature Banquet Hall. They are required to file an annual compliance statement to show that they are in compliance with everything they said they were going to do when they built the building. The Council has to accept this and then it will be sent to the Lake County Auditor, which will keep their tax abatement. Councilman Earley made a motion to accept the compliance statement, seconded by Councilwoman Angerman and carried by roll call vote with five ayes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Salatas announced that the next regular meeting will be held Monday, July 27, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Councilman Parker stated based on the presentation earlier from Mr. Guerrettaz, he would like to make a motion that the Council direct the Town Attorney to draft a formal policy requesting all Commission members and Committee members to file a budget with the Town Council prior to August 15th of each year. Councilman Earley seconded the motion. Clerk-Treasurer Walters stated she had to meet with the DLGF on August 12th. Councilman Parker amended the date in his original motion to August 1st of each year. The motion carried by roll call vote with five ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Corns made a motion to adjourn at 7:13 P.M., seconded by Councilman Earley and carried with five ayes.

Christopher Salatas, President

Attest:

Judith Walters, Clerk-Treasurer

