

**CITY OF LAKESHIRE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
JUNE 10, 2024**

The meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held on June 10, 2024. Mayor Seher called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll was called and the following were present:

Miguel Aveytia	Alderman - Ward I
Robert Bilzing	Alderman - Ward I
Amy Sandbach	Alderman - Ward II
Michele Wicks	Alderman - Ward II
Jessica Poschel	Alderman - Ward III
Melisa Husidic	Alderman - Ward III

6 Aldermen were present constituting a quorum.

Also present at the meeting were:

Tim Sullivan	Police Chief - excused
Andy Bramman	City Attorney
Laura Van Zale	City Clerk
Jim Yarborough	Street Commissioner - excused
Joe Lemberger	Building Commissioner
Charles Funk	Treasurer
Debbie Lankford	Resident
Karl Kuehling	Resident
Steve Zumwalt	Resident
Mark Sommer	Resident
Tim Crowson	Resident

Clerk Van Zale administered Oath of Office to Mayor Seher.

Mayor Seher presented Steve Zumwalt with a plaque and gift card from the City for his 26 years of service to the City. Steve held the position of Mayor for 4 years and Alderman for 22.

City Clerk's Report as posted on the bulletin board: The previous month's minutes were posted on the bulletin board and distributed to the Alderman in error. The correct minutes were distributed at the meeting. A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept the City Clerk's Public Meeting report dated May 13, 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Poschel. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept the Treasurer's report for the month of May 2024. checks #34812 thru #34863 and three EFTPS payroll payments. The motion was seconded by Alderman Poschel. The motion carried.

- Treasurer Funk stated no wages are posted in the Building Inspector/Coordinator line item. Treasurer Funk will be moving the wages in the Building Commissioner line item to that line item.
- Treasurer Funk stated no Court Clerk salary was posted for April & May 2024, as the City has been without a Court Clerk.

Building Commissioner's Report: A motion was made by Alderman Sandbach to accept Commissioner Lemberger's report for May 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Aveytia. The motion carried.

- Commissioner Lemberger stated he wrote a citation for the owner of 10246 Buffton regarding over-grown trees and buckling driveway. Per Alderman Sandbach the owner has broken up the bad parts of the driveway and filled with gravel. Commissioner Lemberger stated he gave the owner 60 days to complete driveway and 30 days to complete the tree trimming. Commissioner Lemberger will follow up.
- The condition of the yard with the nature preserve was asked about. Per Commissioner Lemberger, the front yard needs some work. Per Alderman Aveytia, the backyard is not too bad at this time, but does not appear to be kept up, so probably will be an issue soon. Attorney Bramman suggested the City start by speaking to the owner first. Per Attorney Bramman, the City has a right to cut the front yard and issue a tax lien if the resident doesn't handle it. The City does not have the right to enter the backyard.
- Attorney Bramman is going to send an email to Chief Sullivan regarding the Police Department enforcing grass cutting codes.

Public Works Report: May 2024 report was tabled until July 2024 meeting, as the Mayor and Alderman Sandbach have several questions regarding the report.

- Alderman Bilzing noted the bush still has not been replaced at the entrance to Lakeside Drive. Mayor Seher will speak to Commissioner Yarborough.
- Alderman Aveytia reported there is a tree limb lying in the circle on Lenore for several weeks. Mayor Seher will speak to Commissioner Yarborough.

Police Chief's Report: A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept Chief Sullivan's report for the month of May 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wicks. The motion carried.

- Alderman Husidic toured the City and placed signs on the trash cans that were still sitting at the curb the Saturday following trash pick-up. There were several trash cans not moved in the Puttington and Willdan alleys. The rest of the City looked very good. If the trash cans are not moved, the next step is to cite the building owners.

Court Clerk's Report: May 2024 report was not received.

- Kim Hine, the Court Clerk for Shrewsbury and Grantwood Village, started 6/1/24.

City Attorneys' Report: The May 2024 invoice was not received from Lashley & Baer Law Firm.

Prosecuting Attorney's Report: A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept and pay the Prosecuting Attorney's invoice for May 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Poschel. The motion carried.

Old Business

- A. Attorney Bramman updated the Board on Mr. Edinbergh's 9 properties:
 - a. Avenue LLC Property Management has started the inspection process with Commissioner Lemberger for all properties. Commissioner Lemberger has inspecting 2 buildings per week.
 - b. Avenue LLC Property Management is responsible for all of the tenants.
 - c. The City is responsible for noting all of the code violations and confirming compliance before issuing new Occupancy Permits.
 - d. Commissioner Lemberger estimates the units are at 10% to 20% occupancy.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Treasurer Funk stated the City's annual audit was completed with no issues found.


Residents' Comments –

- Resident Jim Crowson asked what the time line is for trash cans on the curb. Per City ordinance, trash cans cannot be put out prior to 6pm the night before pick-up and must be removed from the curb by Noon the day following pick-up.
- A resident asked about the Republic Service increase. Per Mayor Seher, Republic Service failed to add the increase to the 1st quarter invoice. The missed increase was added to the 2nd quarter invoice along with that quarter's increase. The 3rd quarter invoice will be the new rate going forward.
- Alderman Wicks asked if the street signs lying on her front lawn could be moved for grass cutting. Yes.
 - The delay for the grate repair on Puttington is due to the contractor waiting for a replacement grate. He hopes to take the existing grate out and reuse it. He isn't confident he can remove the grate without breaking it and wants to make sure he is prepared if replacement is necessary.
- Steve Zumwalt asked with the upcoming 4th of July holiday, will the City be enforcing no fireworks. Chief Sullivan will have 2 officers on duty that day to monitor fireworks.
- A resident asked if there was a schedule for patching Lakeshire Drive. Mayor Seher asked the resident to email him with the address of the pothole. Depending on the size, Commissioner Yarborough may be able to patch the pothole.
- A resident noted how nice the new paving is on Lenor. However, the contractor did not put in new curbs as requested. Mayor Seher will contact the contractor.
- A resident noted that the bushes and trees are overgrown at the entrance to Lakeside, making the already dangerous intersection more difficult to navigate.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by Alderman Bilzing at 8:02 p.m. The motion was seconded by Alderman Aveytia The motion carried.



Laura Van Zale, City Clerk



Robert Bilzing, President of the Board