APPROVED OPEN AND CLOSED MINUTES LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING April 14, 2025

Present: Mayor Lucas McElhinney, Councilmen: Paul Reynolds, Cole Tippett, Kevin Buckallew and Tommy Roberts; Candy Tallman City Clerk, George Reindel and Jimmy McNary-Water and Sewer

Guests: Gary Yearns, Darla Campbell, Robert Semester, Dale Vandike, Donald Derickson, Wendy Derickson, Autumn Jackson, Jr. Buckallew, Derrick Fee, Sandra Jeffries, Trevor Tallman, Johnathan Dotson, Batina Dodge, and Derrick Weber with Regional Planning via Zoom.

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

A motion was made by Kevin Buckallew and seconded by Cole Tippett to approve the agenda. The Mayor called for the vote, all in favor. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

A motion was made by Cole Tippett and seconded by Kevin Buckallew to approve the March 17, 2025 regular minutes and March 26, 2025 special minutes. The Mayor called for the vote, all in favor. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

A motion was made by Kevin Buckallew and seconded by Cole Tippett for the approval of the monthly bills and financial reports presented by the City Clerk. The Mayor called for the vote, all in favor. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

Public Comment – Sandra Jeffries was here to ask the council to officially close Johnson Street, which is never been used as a street. The Council told her they would look into it and get back in touch with her. She did request that if they did close it, that she could have something in writing.

Police – James was not present, but Cole Tippett gave report that James has been working on dog complaints and 2 houses with fire damage.

Fire - Nothing new to report, all is going well.

George - Water and Sewer testing is coming back good. Working on grant for sewer.

Jimmy - Changed some more meters and started mowing,

Paul - Nothing to report this month.

Cole - Went to a meeting with Batina Dodge and Derrick Weber.

Kevin – Has a list of streets that need repairs and is hoping that we can start on May 1st.

Tommy - Just stay on AllState with the grant program.

Candy - Thank you for the new desk and reported on budget and audit.

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Old Business:

Budget: A **motion** was made by Kevin Buckallew and seconded by Cole Tippett to approve the 2025 Annual Budget. Mayor called for a vote, all in favor. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

DEMO Project – A **motion** was made by Kevin Buckallew and seconded by Cole Tippett to award the bid to Red Rock Construction Company. Mayor called for a vote, all in favor. Vote 4 – 0. All parties were here for the pre-construction meeting. Batina (via Zoom) went over all paperwork and Derrick Fee and the Mayor signed all papers, start date is to be around April 28, 2025 and Red Rock Construction will have 60 days to complete project. The Fitness Center owners, Trevor Tallman and Jonathan Dotson and Red Rock Construction owner, Derrick Fee left meeting to go look at demo site along their building.

Rock – Kevin Buckallew said that he received a bid from Starrett Rock and no one else turned one in. Mayor McElhinney suggested it should be put in the paper or at least out for bids. Tabled till next meeting.

Closed Session Opened:

A **motion** was made by Kevin Buckallew and seconded by Cole Tippett to go into **closed session** under section 610.021 RSMO – 2 at 7:41 pm. The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows: Kevin Buckallew, **Yea**; Paul Reynolds, **Yea**; Tommy Roberts, **Yea**; Cole Tippett, **Yea**. Motion carried. Vote 4-0. City Clerk was asked to stay.

A **motion** was made by Paul Reynolds and seconded by Cole Tippett to come out of **closed session** at 8:01 pm. The mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows: Kevin Buckallew – **Yea**, Paul Reynolds – **Yea**, Tommy Roberts – **Yea**, Cole Tippett – **Yea**. Motion carried 4-0.

Nutrition Site – A motion was made by Cole Tippett and seconded by Paul Reynolds to sell the following property to the Nutrition Site,

All of the West Half of Lot Eight (8) in Block Five (5) in the Original Town, of Lancaster, Missouri.

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Purchase price was set at \$10,000.00 and the City of Lancaster will take care of the demo of the of the building located at 114 W. Jefferson Street. Mayor called for a vote, all in favor. Vote 4-0.

New Business:

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Election Results/Oath of Office – The City Clerk presented the Certified Election results from April 8, 2025 Municipal Election;

Mayor: Donald Derickson 71/James I. Foster 37 / Lucas McElhinney 44

Southward Alderman: Ryan Jeffery Meader 17 / Tommy Roberts 25 / Janet Elaine Nichols 24

Northward Alderman: Cole Tippett 73

City Clerk, Candy Tallman, swore in new Mayor, Donald Derickson and then swore in Cole Tippett and Tommy Roberts.

Hay Ground – A **motion** was made by Kevin Buckallew and seconded by Cole Tippett to allow Anthony Wilson to rent Lake by new Water Tower for 3 years, rent will be he is working the ground, putting fertilizer on, and reseeding it. After the 3 years it will be put out for bids. Mayor called for a vote, all in favor. Vote 3 – 1.

Aflac/Autumn Jackson – Autumn presented an open enrollment date coming up and was here to offer information on the Aflac program. The council agreed to have her set up some dates that they can meet with her to look more into it.

The next regular council meeting will be held May 12, 2025 unless otherwise posted, in City Hall at 209 Washington St, Lancaster MO, at 7:00 pm.

As there is no further business, a motion was made by Cole Tippett and seconded by Kevin Buckallew to adjourn the meeting. The Mayor called for the vote, all in favor. Motion Carried. Vote 4-0.

Mayor Derickson adjourned the meeting at 8:31 pm

Minutes taken by Candy Tallman, City Clerk.

Donald Derickson, Mayor

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Date approved: May 12, 2025