MINUTES OF THE LAKE ANGELUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 10, 2008

Present: Mayor, Lee McNew; Councilmembers, Bill Lembke, Jon Cabot, Karl Storrie; Police Chief, John Roehrig; Treasurer, Julie Frakes; Environmental Board Chair, Leon Pedell; Attorney, Dan Christ; Clerk, Rosalie Lake

Absent: Councilmember, Gail Haines

Visitors: Mike Daniels, Doug Chartrand, Don Clapham, Linda Daniels, Ginny Leever, Heidi Hoyles

Mayor McNew requested an agenda change to include a discussion of a potential sewer hook-up. Councilmember Cabot so moved. Councilmember Storrie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The Clerk’s report did not include the Minutes of the May meeting of the Council as she was unable to retrieve them from her computer due to the power outage, which also affected City Hall on the evening of the meeting. The Clerk requested moving the City telephone line to City Hall. Council felt it better to consider a cell phone for the City. There have been a few responses from those living on the 20 foot easement who received the letter sent by the City to remind them that the City owns the property. They were informational questions which were answered satisfactorily by the Clerk. Work with American Legal Publishing regarding the ordinances is ongoing.

There were no comments from residents of a general nature. Comments regarding the sewer proposal were heard later in the meeting.

Police Chief, John Roehrig, gave the Department report. The work on the Policy Manual is complete and the rules and regulations have also been finished. The Council will review it and vote on it at the next meeting. The Reserve officers will go house to house on June 21st to inspect boats and provide inspection stickers. They will identify MC numbers and check for safety equipment on boats that are required to have MC numbers. The orange stickers will continue to be used this year. The Police Officers attend training every month, recently training regarded Marine law. Chief Roehrig asked to be allowed to carryover four vacation days to next year. Councilmember Storrie moved to approve the carryover. Councilmember Cabot seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The Chief showed a buoy that could be carried in boats to be used in the case of a drowning incident to identify a location. He also showed a Frisbee type rescue disc. There is one in each police vehicle and two on the police boat.

A discussion ensued regarding the situation at the home of Jamie Crachiola where a boat is being kept that does not belong to the resident. Attorney Christ explained the rights of property owners. City rules cannot be enforced by the police as ordinances are. Launching and removing boats from the Lake is an environmental problem. The owner of the boat has been told that his boat has to be registered at Lake Angelus. Councilmember Storrie felt that the rule should be able to be enforced. Mr. Christ reiterated that the police can only explain the rule and the culture of the Lake, but that they cannot write a ticket. It is possible to legislate the use of the boat ramp by residents.
only. All boats launched there must have MC numbers registered to a resident. It was
determined that the boat ramp should be locked all of the time. Police officers will check
registration numbers before allowing a launch.

Mike Daniels brought to the Council a proposal for a hook-up to the sewer interceptor on
Newark that may be used by Lake Angelus Shores residents. He showed drawings
indicating the route to the interceptor. Clean-outs can occur from the Shores Road. At
this time, seven residents are willing to carry the initial cost of the project. The
Agreement presented requires a right-of-way from the Shores Association, which has
been obtained, and an agreement with the City to negotiate with the County regarding
capacity, easement and hook-up issues. The expenses of the system will be borne by the
households using the system. The County may require that the bills go to the City, but
the residents will pay for it. A system for payment would have to be developed. Mr.
Daniels’ next step will be to consult with a contractor to see if the estimate provided by
Kieft Engineering is accurate and then consult with the County to determine what the
expenses will be. Attorney Christ suggested that the Council pass a resolution supporting
the idea. Environmental Board Chair, Leon Pedell supported the idea indicating, though,
that homes would have to have a generator powerful enough to run the system in the case
of a power outage. Mr. Daniels and Mr. Christ can work out the details of liability.
Councilmember Cabot moved that, from the standpoint of environmental quality, a sewer
system is better than a septic system and if this proposal costs the City nothing, the City
incurs no liability and that there is no irreversible damage done, the Council approves
the project and requests that Mr. Daniels and Mr. Christ work out the details.
Councilmember Storrie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor McNew opened the Public Hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2008-
2009. The rate is the same as last year and there are no major expenditures expected.
Treasurer Frakes indicated that there was about 4 1/2% “wiggle room”. There were no
questions or comments from those present. The Mayor closed the Public Hearing.
Councilmember Cabot moved to approve the proposed budget for 2008-09.
Councilmember Storrie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Frakes gave the financial report reviewing the warrants and indicating that all
accounts fall within their projected percentages and that the Balance Sheet looks healthy.
Councilmember Storrie moved to approve the financial reports noting warrants over
$500. Councilmember Cabot seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#15043 to Linda Burton for $1000  #15045 to Billington Serv for $570
#15046 to Hafeli Staran for $1604.46  #15050 to Voyager Fleet for $888.58
#15052 to Dominic Vicari for $1011.17  #15056 to Preiss Outdoor for $3500
#15069 to Hafeli Staran for $2356.20  #15070 to ASTI Environmental for $2521.68
#15074 to Jet Asphalt for $5050  #15107 to Oak County for $783.67
#15120 to Code Enforcement for $1000

The cost for the dispatch service has doubled, as expected. The bill from Aquatic
Services was less than had been expected. The Council had been informed by a letter
from Brent Bair, Director of the RCOC, that the state legislature was considering a bill to
direct road funds received by the City to the RCOC. Mrs. Frakes provided a Road Fund
analysis and discussion ensued on the income received and the ways that the City is able
to use the funds. Councilmember Storrie will contact Mr. Bair for information to guide
the City’s response to this change in funding.
Mrs. Frakes has received all of the millage requests and can move forward to prepare the tax bills. The bills will be sent on or about the first of July.

Leon Pedell gave the Environmental Board report. He predicts minimal expense next year. The rocks at the dam at the Kresge wetlands are not staying up as placed. They have been restacked and repairs are going to be made. John Simpson is coming to determine what needs to be done and will stand behind the project. Dr. Pedell has gotten three bids for Phragmite removal. One was quite high; Aquatic Services bid $3400; a bid cannot be gotten this year from SEAS. Dr. Pedell recommends Aquatic Services in that they will do a comprehensive job of herbiciding and cutting. Councilmember Lembke worried that no matter who we hire, we will not get rid of them. The plant is everywhere! Councilmember Cabot felt that if treatment is not done, Phragmite will fill the area north of the barn and west of Baldwin and will squeeze out other vegetation. The debate is not which contractor we choose, but whether we should do it at all. Dr. Cabot recommended that the Environmental Board should meet and discuss the issue, even though the Council voted to move forward with it last year, and make a recommendation to the Council. Dr. Pedell has received a contract proposal from Bureau Veritas (formerly the Clayton Group) for $2700. He also has a proposal from Progressive AE. This proposal is conceptually different from the former studies by the Clayton Group. It tests for E-coli along the shoreline, doing other testing in deep areas only. They would also comment on the weed population. If we chose Progressive AE, it would be a different scientific concept. Dr. Cabot pointed out that we have 20 years of trend information from Clayton. He felt that the Environmental Committee should discuss it and make recommendations about which direction the City should take at this time. ASTI Environmental noted the dead trees along Gallogly caused by the Baldwin drain and wanted to know if the City would like the dead trees removed and new trees planted that will survive in the water. The water will be there unless the culvert is redirected which is not likely to happen in any foreseeable future. The area is probably going to be a wetland. Councilmember Lembke felt that if there are trees that would grow there, it would enhance the wetland. Dr. Pedell will pursue a proposal for this project. Dr. Cabot was not interested in removing the dead trees, just in planting something that will survive.

Shirley Zemke reported regarding the dam, that the water is three inches high and is flowing out fast. Mayor McNew had read in the Red Book that an engineering survey was required every three years. Mrs. Zemke indicated that one had not been done in 10 to 15 years. Councilmember Lembke thought that muskrats may be making holes in the dam. The matter was referred to Ken Zemke.

Roads: Councilmember Storrie has not had time this month to pursue the current road issues, but indicated that dust control will not start on the gravel roads before May.

Planning Commission: Issues were brought up regarding properties under construction or with ongoing landscaping. At the Glantz property at 303 Gray Woods Lane the grade has been changed within 5 feet of the set back and clear cutting has been done. Rock wells are planned to be built for drainage and the family hopes to be in by the 4th of July. At the Greenlee residence at 525 Gray Woods Lane there are landscaping issues and a stop work order has been issued. Leon Genre is checking on this. Mayor McNew pointed out that the City does not have an ordinance to prevent cutting on property where
a site plan is not required. Leon Genre did not mention violations at the Glantz property in his report. Councilmember Lembke said that stripping at the lakeside is unacceptable. Attorney Christ will develop an ordinance to cover this.

Councilmember Cabot moved to extend the meeting time for 5 minutes. Councilmember Storrie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

City Property Manager, Bill Lembke reported that the windows in the barn will be repaired. There is a tree down after the recent storm, but it is not on the fence. The painting at City Hall will, hopefully, be done before the 4th of July.

There were no insurance or legal reports.

Councilmember Cabot moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:06. Councilmember Storrie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approved: Respectfully submitted,

Lee McNew, Mayor Rosalie Lake, Clerk