

Linden Town Board Meeting September 24, 2024

Roll Call: Present Town Board President Wade Bennett, Town Board Member Paul Buckles, Town Board Member Chasity Surface, Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide

Town of Linden regular monthly meeting called to order by Town Board President Wade Bennett at 7:00pm

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented 2025 Budget Ordinance #2024-6 for adoption. Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign Ordinance#2024-6; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries.

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented an invoice from Linden Public Library for a 17 book order per the requirements of Resolution 2023-1 After discussion, Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept invoice; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries.

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented State Form 37318 Application for Construction Design Release from Banning Engineering and read aloud. After discussion, Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign State Form 37318; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries; Town Board President Wade Bennett signed application

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented Water project bid advertisement and will open received bid at October 29 meeting

Town Board President Wade Bennett opened discussion for Halloween hours for Linden Trick or Treating October 31<sup>st</sup>. Madison Township Volunteer Fire Department Chief Earl Heide presented information of activities starting with the costume contest 5:30-6pm and distribute candy 6pm-8pm. Board approved Trick or Treating hours 6pm-8pm on October 31<sup>st</sup>

Town Board President Wade Bennett opened discussion for a fall Dumpster Day on October 19<sup>th</sup> 8am to dark or when dumpsters are full, after discussion board agreed.

Town Board Member Chasity Surface update community event September 28, hours 1pm-4pm with Water Street closed to traffic during event.

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported received IDEM letter on Wastewater plant lagoon closure project will be extended another 45-60 days

Town Board Member Paul Buckles asked if ball diamond concession area electrical is off. Town Board President Wade Bennett reported discussion with Tom Lewellen, and Tom will be removing items left in concession building. At this time Town Board President Wade Bennett opened discussion of options to use concession stand and baseball field area; Board agreed Town Board Member Paul Buckles will check concession stand building for electrical power and Town Board Member Chasity Surface stated many opportunities to discuss and requested to table discussion

Town Board President Wade Bennett opened discussion on West South Street guardrail area at railroad crossing. After discussion, Street Superintendent Earl Heide suggested an additional flashing sign for warning of guardrail; Board agreed and will reach out for more information on options available

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted the transferring funds sheet from Gateway annual report for board signature

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted voucher register, and a Water Tower transfer \$100,000.00 of funds claim, for Board Members approval and signature. Board reviewed; Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept voucher register and additional claim; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries.

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted police vehicle paperwork for board signature. Town Board Member Chasity Surface made a motion to accept and sign police vehicle paperwork, Town Board Member Paul Buckles 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted monthly bank reconciled report and financial reports for board signature. Board Members signed and accepted monthly financial reports for board signature.

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted prior meeting minutes for Board Member signature. Town Board Member Chasity Surface made a motion to accept and sign August 27 meeting minutes; Town Board Member Paul Buckles 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Resident Steve Struck asked what will happen to the current water tower. Utility Superintendent Earl Heide state IDEM requires removal of water tower structure. Town Board Member Paul Buckles discussed prior options for removal of structure

Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to adjourn; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries, meeting adjourned 8pm

Linden Town Board Members action:

Town Board Member Name	Yea	Nay
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Wade Bennett \_\_\_\_\_

Paul Buckles \_\_\_\_\_

Chasity Surface \_\_\_\_\_

Attested by:  
Janet Heide, Clerk-Treasurer

Transcribed September 29, 2024