

Prairie Newsletter



A Lynd Community
Newsletter

April 25, 2025

Dear Lynd Residents,

Spring has finally arrived and the grass is starting to grow. As we get closer to the end of the school year we look at all the achievements and growth we have had over the school year. We are reflecting on how we have all changed and are grateful to those who have helped along the way. Its good to take a moment to celebrate all that we have accomplished together!

There are a few events coming up this month so look inside for details. Stay tuned for upcoming events and celebrations.

If you have anything you would like to add to next month's Prairie Newsletter, please feel free to bring it to the school or call Angie at 507-865-4404.

Angie
Hettling



Lynd Community Meetings

Lynd School Board Meetings

Monday, May 12, 2025

at: 6:00

Lynd City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

At: 6:00 p.m.

Dates to Remember:

May 8— K-8 Spring Concert @ 6:30

May 14— Last Day of 4 year PreK
Concert/graduation @ 12:45

May 15— Last Day of 3 year PreK

May 22— 8th grade graduation @
1:30

May 23— Last day of School K-8
Noon dismissal

May 26— Memorial Day

May 27— Teacher Workshop Day

Little Panther PRESCHOOL



**Lynd School is accepting
registrations for
Little Panther Pre-K for the
2025-26 school year!**

We don't want you to miss out!

Registration forms are available on our school
website, by mail, or stopping by the
school to pick one up .
507-865-4404

Attention Parents:

We have reserved four parking
spots on the western edge of the
parking lot for student pick up /
drop off. If you are getting out of
your vehicle for drop off or pick
up, please use a parking space.
If you are waiting longer than a
minute for pick up please use a
parking space.

Thank you!



K-8 Spring Concert/Art Show



**Thursday, May 8
Matinee @ 1:30
Concert @ 6:00
Art show @ 5:30**



**Bake Sale and Concession items such
as candy bars, popcorn, and drinks will
before sale starting at 5:30 p.m. and
following the concert while supplies
last.**

**Lynd School doors will open at
5:30 p.m.**

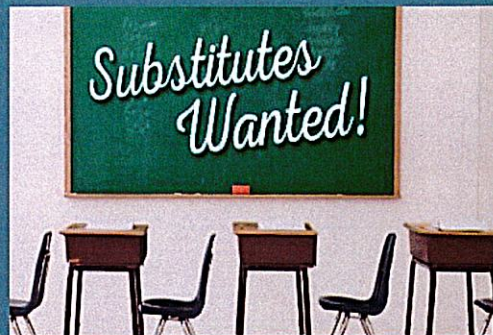
**We hope to see you there!
Thank you for your support!**

THANK YOU!

**A big thank you to the Lynd
School PTO for the ice cream
treats you gave us for finishing
up our MCA testing!**

Join Our Team!

Lynd Public School is looking to
expand our substitute teacher and
paraprofessional pool. If you are
interested in applying for a
substitute position download an
application at www.lyndschoool.org
or call the school at 507-865-4404
for more information or e-mail
Principal Jason Swenson at
jason.swenson@lyndschoool.org.



Minutes -- Lynd City Council Meeting March 18, 2025

Mayor Justin Guggisberg called the closed meeting to order at 5:15 pm. Justin Guggisberg, Jerry Sodemann, David Reeves, Josh Bruley, Shantel Williams present. Purpose of closed meeting is to offer the clerk/treasurer position to Jennifer DeKuyter, discuss start date, hours, pay and benefits. Discussion on pay and hours. Jennifer will start on April 8th at \$26/hour increased to \$27/hour June 1st. Hours will be 9 am to 5 pm Monday – Thursday. Justin made a motion to approve hiring Jennifer DeKuyter and to adjourn the closed meeting. Josh seconded and all voted in favor.

Mayor Justin Guggisberg called the regular meeting of the Lynd City Council to order at 6 P.M. Justin Guggisberg, Jerry Sodemann, David Reeves, Josh Bruley and Shantel Williams present.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes

February 18, 2025, Council Minutes – Josh noted correcting 5:30 pm to 5:15 pm on first line of minutes. Jerry made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction, David seconded, and all voted in favor.

Approval of the Agenda

Additions/Deletions to agenda – Additions: Public forum-Tom Blomme, Councilwoman Shantel Williams-LMC Loss Control Workshop, Public Works-Jordan Albrecht Bolton & Menk and Marcus Weikert MRWA, City Clerk-zoning maps on city website, New Business-Alida Bracero building permit, quotes for streets. David made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Open Forum

Tom Blomme – Discussion on variance between Willow and Lynd Streets.

Council Member Input

Mayor Justin Guggisberg:

Councilman Jerry Sodemann:

Councilman David Reeves:

Councilman Josh Bruley:

Councilwoman Shantel Williams: Discussion on attending LMC Loss Control Workshops.

Fire Report

Fire Chief, Dillon Schultz – Two fire calls. Fire department fish fry scheduled for April 18th. Having a knots/ropes training. Shantel made a motion to approve the fire report, David seconded, and all voted in favor.

Law Enforcement Report

Sheriff Eric Wallen- Presented February 2025 incident analysis report. February was uneventful. Jerry made a motion to approve the sheriff's report, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Public Works Report

Dillon reported:

1. Electric Pump maintenance agreement-maintenance contract \$1,000.00 one-time fee. Justin made a motion to approve the maintenance contract, Jerry seconded, and all voted in favor.
2. Electric Pump quotes for Affinity Hills pump-repair quote is \$18,622.00, replacement quote is \$28,684.00. Justin made a motion to approve the replacement quote and pay from Permanent Improvement Fund, Jerry seconded, and all voted in favor.
3. Seeding Lynd sewage to Marshall-Discussion.
4. Jordan Albrecht Bolton & Menk and Marcus Weikert MRWA-Discussion on pond project and funding.

Josh made a motion to approve the Public Works Report, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Accounts Payable

Sue presented the March 2025 Accounts Payable. Jerry made a motion to approve the bills, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

Financial Report

Sue presented the financial reports for February 2025. David made a motion to approve the financial report, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

City Clerk's Report

Sue reported:

1. Water Loss Ratio for February 2025 was .7%. The city billed residents for 633,801 gallons. LPRW billed the city for \$95,000 gallons.
2. Our gov domain has been approved. City website is <https://lyndcity.gov>.
3. Zoning maps done by Bolton & Menk are on the city website. Located on Government tab, Boards/Commissions, Planning & Zoning.

Jerry made a motion to approve the clerk's report, Josh seconded, and all voted in favor.

Legal Issues

Attorney John Engels – no pending legal issues.

Old Business

Safe Routes to School Boost Grant – Shantel met with Principal Jason Swenson at Lynd School. Jason requested 2 dates for bike rodeo, having one as backup date in case of inclement weather. Dates for bike rodeo are May 15th and 16th. Time will be 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. Grades 2nd through 7th.

New Business

Bremer certificate of deposit maturing on 3/30/2025. Sue received public funds rates from Bremer Bank. First Independent Bank and Minnwest Bank. David made a motion to renew the CD with Bremer Bank for 3 months at 4.05% interest. CD will mature on June 30, 2025.

Dillon payroll allocation ice and snow-Discussion on changing the 10% that was allocated to ice and snow to street department. Allocation for street department will change to 30%. No allocation will be taken from ice and snow.

Resolution #2025-1 Requesting conveyance of forfeited parcel #26-114001-7 to the City of Lynd. Discussion. Justin made a motion to approve the resolution, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor. Sue will contact the Lyon County Auditor/Treasurer's Office.

Jerry Sodemann letter pertaining to his irrigation water meter-Jerry is requesting the city reimburse him for the cost of removing his irrigation water meter at \$157.62. In 2020 the city council requested Jerry remove his irrigation water meter. Now the city council recommends if residents have an irrigation system and do not want to pay for sewer usage on the irrigation water, they should have a second meter installed. Justin made a motion to reimburse Jerry \$157.62 for the cost of removing his irrigation meter in 2020, Shantel seconded. David and Josh voted in favor, Jerry abstained.

Summer help-Discussion. Send summer help job posting to Lynd School to put in school newsletter and post on city website. Sue will post on the display board at community center and in post office.

Application for water/sewer service-Sue will start using the application when new people move into the city.

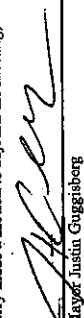
Alida Bracero building permit-building permit is to install a fence at 107 St. Albus St. Justin made a motion to approve the building permit, David seconded, and all voted in favor.

Committee Reports: Roads – Josh and Shantel-Josh presented quotes for 2" mill/overlay from Daininck Inc for Lynd St of \$44,000.00 and from Bluminoos Paving Inc for Lynd St, Redwood Ct and Woodview St. of \$93,155.00. Discussion. Justin made a motion to approve doing a 2" mill/overlay on Lynd St and Woodview St at approximately \$65,000.00, Shantel seconded, and all voted in favor.

EDA – Justin and David

Adjourn

Jerry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Josh seconded, and all voted in favor.


Mayor Justin Guggisberg

Clerk/Treasurer Sue Parfitt

**Minutes – Lynd City Special Council Meeting for Clerk-Treasurer Candidate Interviews
March 10, 2025**

Mayor Justin Guggisberg opened the clerk-treasurer candidate interviews at 5 pm. Councilman Jerry Sodemann, Councilman David Reaves, Councilman Josh Bruley, Councilwoman Shantel Williams present. Also, present Clerk-Treasurer Sue Paradis, Public Works Dillon Schultz.

Five candidates were scheduled for interviews.

Joel Hammer
Contessa Baartman
Michael Sumerfelt
Jennifer DeRuyter
Marie Schuelke

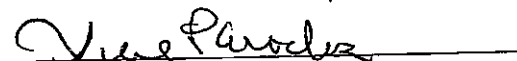
Candidate interviews were completed at 7:30 pm.

Council discussion. Justin moved to offer the clerk-treasurer position to Jennifer DeRuyter. Sue will call Jennifer tomorrow morning.

Jerry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Josh seconded, and all voted in favor.



Mayor Justin Guggisberg



Clerk/Treasurer Sue Paradis

**DO YOU HAVE A NEW ADDITION
TO YOUR FAMILY,
OR ARE YOU NEW TO THE AREA?
DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE THAT
HAS MOVED TO THE LYND SCHOOL DISTRICT?**

**IF SO, PLEASE CALL THE LYND SCHOOL
AT 865-4404,
AND GIVE US YOUR INFORMATION
OR MAIL ANY NEW
INFORMATION TO THE LYND SCHOOL AT:**

**LYND SCHOOL
106 ST. ALBANS ST. PO BOX 68
LYND, MN 56157**

**CHECK OUT THE
LYND SCHOOL'S
WEBSITE AT:
www.lyndschool.org**

**WE WILL BE ADDING
INFORMATION ABOUT
THE 2024-25 SCHOOL
YEAR THROUGHOUT THE
YEAR. KEEP
CHECKING THE WEBSITE
FOR UPDATED
INFORMATION!**

**HAVE A WONDERFUL
SCHOOL YEAR!**

Gift Cards

Lynd School would like to encourage you to take advantage of our gift card program. These gift cards are an easy and painless way for us to raise funds for various projects at the school. We offer gift cards for Hy-Vee.

It won't cost you any extra money and the school receives 5% of the purchases. Gift cards can be purchased at the school office during normal business hours.

Make your dollars go further by using these gift cards. THANK YOU!



HELP EARN CASH FOR THE LYND SCHOOL!!



2 EASY STEPS!!!

COLLECT THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW

& BRING THEM TO THE LYND SCHOOL!

EMPTY NAME BRAND INKJET, FAX, COPIER, LASER CARTRIDGES

*** Used CELL Phones and Old regular Phones**

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