SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LINN VALLEY, KANSAS September 16, 2019 5:00 pm

Mayor Cindy Smith called the meeting/workshop to order at 5:00 pm. Present were Council Members Lew Donelson, Dan Davies, Dennis Kidwell and Robert Suppenbach. Council Member Jenkins was present by telephone. Also present was Building and Codes Enforcement Officer Dan Donham and Sewer Operator Mike Page.

The agenda: Wastewater treatment facility

Two council members had observed campers dumping directly into the lift station. Adding signage or locks was discussed. The council and Operator Page also discussed a means to monitor the quantity of waste flowing through the lift station and directly to the lagoons from the sewer system. Based on a recommendation from KDHE in 2006, Officer Donham informed the Council that the amount of waste going into the lagoons each month is much higher than the lagoons were meant to hold.

The Council addressed a letter from Kansas Rural Water Association reported evaluation of the of Linn Valley's wastewater treatment facilities. The City also received a letter from KDHE. KDHE representatives conducted a routine inspection of the wastewater treatment facilities. The letter identifies actions required to bring the facilities in compliance. Actions required in the lagoon area include removing tall vegetation, addressing erosion issues, repair fencing, and display of warning signs.

The Council discussed hiring an engineer to assess the lagoon area and give recommendations. After further discussion, the Council agreed to first address the vegetation, fencing and signage. Officer Donham introduced Mr. Wade who will bring a bid for removal of tall vegetation. After the clean-up is complete, the erosion issues can better be examined.

Council Member Suppenbach made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kidwell and carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:17 pm.

Submitted by Karen Siffring, Clerk