Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the city of Lake Wilson council met November 1, 2018 at 7pm. Present are Diane Scotting, Kindel Nelson, Mike Chapman, Justin Berreau, Donald Nielsen, Melanie Vander Schaaf, Kathy Kor, Sheriff Steve Telkamp, Donna Mollema, David Swenson, Theresa Schreurs from DSI, and Randy Gunnink.

Mayor Nielsen opened the meeting with the reading of the minutes of the October 4, 2018 meeting. Motion made by Diane and seconded by Mike to approve the minutes as read. All members present voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

Kathy Kor approached the council with her concerns of some of the people the city EDA has been renting the apartments to. She would like to see the city do some background checks on applicants going forward. The council assured her that the council would be working on that. Sheriff Telkamp advised the council that a tenant can be evicted after law enforcement has been called there even if there is no conviction.

Sheriff Telkamp advised the council when setting the fines for the eCitations to keep them under $1,000.00.

Theresa from DSI was here to give an update on where we were with the grant process. She presented the Citizen Participation Plan. Diane made a motion to adopt the plan and Kindel seconded the motion. All members present voted “aye”. Next, she asked the council to commit up to $43,000 towards the grant if needed. Justin made the motion and Mike seconded to commit the $43,000. All members present voted “aye”. Theresa then asked the council to make a motion authorizing her to submit the proposal. Kindel made the motion and Justin seconded to submit the proposal. All members present voted “aye”. The last item on the list was to allow them to have a public meeting if they are allowed to submit the final proposal. Justin made the motion and Diane seconded to allow the public meeting. All members present voted “aye”.

David Swenson was in attendance to discuss further the property regarding the storage unit. He stated he was open-minded about giving some of the land to the city, but wanted it to be surveyed and have the city pay for it. Council tabled the item until later.

Melanie is working on the list of expenses to submit to FEMA. The council will need to have some final numbers in the next month to be submitted to FEMA. The council is looking at replacing the concession stand, new benches and wooden playground in addition to the previously discussed items. The council would like to explore the possibility of finding a solution to the ongoing flooding issues.

Resolution 2018-4 was presented in regards to accepting a $3,000 donation from Compeer Financial for the Fire Department. Diane made the motion and Kindel seconded to pass the Resolution. All members present voted “aye.” Motion carried.
Resolution 2018-5 was presented in regards to an agreement with the MN DOT stating the city agrees to pay for the costs incurred to repair city property when doing the road repair work on Hwy 91. Diane made the motion and Mike seconded to the agreement. All members present voted “aye”. Motion carried.

The council discussed not renewing the contract with Darrin Haroldson for his work with the city water/sewer system due to Randy now being certified to do the work. The clerk will draw up a letter informing Darrin of the decision and thank him for his years of work. The letter will also require him to instruct Randy how to operate the water system before his contract expires on December 31, 2018.

Overdue water/sewer bills were presented to the council. Clerk will send a letter with shutoff dates to those on the list.

The council will need to meet with-in 10 of the election to canvas the results. Council will meet at 6:30pm on Thursday, November 15, 2018.

The possibility of having a company come in and do the street sweeping rather than the having the city do it with our street sweeper was discussed. Kindel made a motion and Justin seconded to have the other company come in and do the street sweeping as the city’s equipment is no longer in good working order. All members present voted “aye”. Motion carried.

2019 water/sewer rates were discussed. Motion was made by Mike and seconded by Justin to raise both the water and sewer basic rate by $.25 to $12.25 per month. All members present voted “aye”. Motion carried.

List of claims was presented. Diane made a motion to pay them as presented. Justin seconded the motion. All members present voted ‘Aye’. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Thursday, December 6, 2018.

There being no other known business before the council, Diane made the motion to adjourn. Kindel seconded the motion. All members present voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

Donald Nielsen Mayor

Melanie Vander Schaaf Clerk