

Town of LaCrosse
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2016

Minutes which are public record, are notes taken to provide a summary memorandum of meetings or hearings and contain all official actions taken. Minutes are not intended to be a word for word or verbatim transcription of the meeting.

The mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Present: Councilman Tommy Ewing; Councilman Barbara Thomas;
Councilman Richard Dubberly; Councilman Jennifer McLendon; Fire Chief Paul McDavid;
Attorney John Maines; Mayor Dianne Dubberly; Accountant Laura Ling; Town Clerk Lee Forzly;
Absent: Councilman Johnny Ho

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting December 14, 2015

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Ewing seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Budget Report - Accountant Laura Ling

For the month of December we were very close to budget. The general fund was \$5,747 below budget, which was due to property taxes being \$3,892 lower than anticipated, the purchase of the fireproof safe and the holiday bonus payments. Note that the December budget included \$20,000 for building improvement and \$10,000 for fire department equipment purchases that were not all made in December. I have adjusted the budget for the unspent portion (and will continue to do so throughout the year) to provide a more accurate picture of our financial status.

Cash Balances: The cash balances as of December 31, 2015, were as follows; General \$42,000, Fire \$5,818 Street \$147,172, CDE, MM, SAVINGS \$146,672

Councilman Thomas made a motion to transfer \$25,000 from the MM account to the Fire Department to fund operations with a 50% deposit for the new roof. Councilman Ewing seconded the motion. Motion carries.

New Business:

1. Reddish & White - 2014-15 Audit

Brad Million and Kara Wainwright presented the 2014-15 audits. A suggestion was made for Town Clerk, Lee Forzly to go over the bank statements and look for any irregularities, sign and date them. A donation to Firehouse subs was discussed and tabled until February meeting

2. Open Bids for Fire Department Roof -Mr. Maines read the bids from the following bidders"

Mac Johnson \$19,975.00 not including insulation and plywood; North Florida Metal Roofing \$24,650.00 24 gauge, 40 year warranty, offers financing, insulation and plywood included; Trowell, \$34,300 26 gauge, no warranty; Union Lasteel \$17,964.00 26 gauge bid does not meet specifications.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to accept the bid from North Florida Metal Roofing. Councilman Ewing seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

3. Second Reading Repealing Ordinance 31

Councilman Ewing made a motion to read by title only and enact Ordinance 2015-01. Mr. Maines read. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. There were no discussions. Motion carried. .

4. Pastor Kevin Thorpe - District 1 Alachua County Commissioner- Pastor Thorpe addressed the council in his bid for election.

5. Ceremony Saturday January 23,2016 - Lacrosse historical marker- Cindy Gallop

Ceremony to be held at Town Hall if weather does not permit it at Fire Station. Councilman Ewing to accept the marker on behalf of the town.

6. Election March 8, 2015- Mayor and Seats 1 & 2

Ad to be placed in Alachua County Today with the qualifying dates of January 18-21, 2016.

Unfinished Business

N.W. 49th Terrace - Fire Chief McDavid reported that the trash does not seem to be a problem since the posting of the signs.

Reports

1. Attorney Report Nothing to report

2.Fire Department Councilman Tom Ewing Fire chief Paul McDavid

- a. County Fire Truck/FWD Fire Truck - Chief McDavid reported that we now have the Fire Truck from Alachua county according to our contract.
- b. Call report Ems 22 ;Fire 7 ;MVA 1; Other 1- residential fire alarm City 2 (EMS) ; City of Alachua 3 (EMS). 460 Total for Calendar Year 2015
- c. Fire Chief McDavid to attend fire conference in Daytona. Councilman Ewing made a motion for \$624.00 (184.00 hotel, \$300.00 registration, \$45.00 per diem for meals for two days . Councilman McLendon seconded the motion. Motion carries.

3. Mayor's Report

Mayor Dubberly discussed the Digital Divide Task Force to see if anyone was interested in attending. There was no interest.

4. Street/StreetLights Councilman Johnny Ho - absent from meeting.

5. Mowing Councilman Richard Dubberly- mowing contract will be up in March. Next years contract to include the mowing on NW 49th Terrace. A.J charged us \$80.00 extra to do additional mowing.

6. Parks/Recreation Councilman Barbara Thomas- quarterly water sample passed.

7. Building and grounds Town Clerk - nothing to report

8. Grants Councilman Jennifer McLendon will be applying for 2015 AFG Grant which is a 5% match.

Councilman Ewing made a motion to approve the bills. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Councilman Ewing made a motion to adjourn. Councilman McLendon seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Time 9.00 pm.

C. Dianne Dubberly - Mayor

Lee Forzy - Town Clerk

