

**Town of LaCrosse
Town Council
Regular Meeting
Minutes**

January 9, 2017,

Notice: *If a person decides to appeal a decision made with respect to any matter at this meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made.*

Call meeting to order
Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Councilman Tommy Ewing; Councilman Barbara Thomas; Councilman Johnny Ho; Councilman Giselle Z.Gopaul; Councilman Jennifer McLendon; Mayor Dianne Dubberly; Attorney John Maines and Accountant, Choi Choi

Absent: Town Clerk Lee Forzly

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting December 12, 2016

Council Ewing made a motion to approve the minutes Councilman McLendon seconded the motion. Motion Carries.

Budget Report-Accountant Choi Yi Choi

General Fund: The revenue/expenses are on track for the year. For the month, it showed that we collected \$4,000 LESS in revenue for property tax, but we collected this amount in November.

FIRE FUND : We are doing well overall, For year-to-date , we have less expenses than budgeted In the building maintenance, and equipment maintenance categories. However, I projected it will be used in January as I already have the invoice from Santa Fe Door to repair the damaged bay door (\$2,274) and Ferrell Gas to re-pipe the station (\$1,564).

STREET FUND: We are doing well. We did not have a loss for the month because the expense for tree trimming (budget for \$2,500) did not occur.

C.D.B.G. Month \$57,709 ytd \$80,477 LESS \$5,349 for administration and \$52,360 For housing.

Cash Balances: The cash balances as of December 31,2016 and this time last year were as follows: Total Cash as of 12/31/16 for General, Fire, Street CD,MM, Savings is \$310,212.00 Projected Income total \$297,596; Projected Expenses \$304,522 and Projected Cash Balance \$215,450.00

New Business:

Iris Sheffield Property- Tabled

Old Business:- None

Public Comments

Earlene Greene, came to comment on code enforcement, which was moved to a later date.

Reports:

1. Attorney Report - John Maines

- a. Joint Meeting with the County: Councilman Thomas made a motion for Mayor Dubberly to write a letter to the county stating that there were no issues on behalf of LaCrosse but we are open to any issues the county may want to discuss with us. Councilman McLendon seconded the motion. Motion carries.
- b. Meeting times. There was a discussion on changing our meeting times to 6:30 pm
- c. Trash on NW 49th Terrace. Councilman Thomas made a motion authorizing up to \$75.00 to clean up trash on N.W. 49th Terrace. Councilman Ho seconded the motion. Motion carries.

2. Fire Department -Councilman Tom Ewing

a. Inventory -Work in progress

b. Fire Chief King advised Councilman Ewing that the current fire reporting program was giving them trouble and recommended purchasing a new program that was proven to work.

Councilman Ewing made a motion to move \$1500 from the training budget and \$600.00 from the equipment budget to purchase the Fire Program and Software program. Councilman McLendon seconded the motion. Motion carries

c. Personnel rules- work in progress.

d. Call Report: Total Calls for the month of December 36; EMS 28 including a cardiac arrest. Building fires 3 (2 in the city of Alachua); Grass fires 4 (1 was in Alachua; MVA 2 (1 extraction); Misc fires 4 (1 in Alachua). City of Alachua calls 3,High Springs 1 and Lacrosse 5 The balance of calls were in our contract area.

3. Streets/Streetlights - Councilman Johnny Ho nothing to report

4. Mowing - Town Hall -nothing to report

5. Building and Grounds - Town Hall- nothing to report

6. Parks/Recreation - Barbara Thomas

Bids for the fencing enclosing the water treatment facility at the town park. The only bid was from Commercial Gates. Councilman Thomas made a motion to accept the bid for \$2,736.00 to install fencing and to move \$2,000 from budget line item Recreation Repair and Maintenance. and \$736.00 from budget line item Fire Department Building Maintenance. Councilman Ewing seconded the motion.Motion carries.

7 Library - Councilman Barbara Thomas- nothing to report

8. Grants - Councilman Jennifer McLendon - updates on grants

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

Councilman Ewing made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Ho seconded the motion. Motion carries.8:09pm

C. Dianne Dubberly - Mayor

Tommy Ewing - Vice Mayor