

Town of LaCrosse

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2016

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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 Richard Dubberly; Councilman Jennifer McLendon

Quorum: The meeting lacked a quorum

Florida League of Cities- Sharon Berrien presented Mayor Dubberly a plaque in recognition of 30 years service
F.D.O.T. - Rebecca White, project coordinator for the F.D.O.T. Transportation Enhancement Grant reviewed the start of our resurfacing and pedestrian enhancement project. Maps showing the timing of the project were distributed.

Keep Alachua Beautiful - Gina Hawkins -Executive Director for the project reviewed the details for this year's project and offered supportive materials for the Town to use. Dates to be selected at March meeting.

A quorum was established at 7:17 PM when Councilman Johnny Ho arrived.

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting January 11, 2016

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

Budget Report - Accountant Laura Ling

For the month of January 2016 we were close to budget. The general fund did \$1,548 better than budget, which was due to property taxes being \$2,928 higher than budgeted, and timing on the audit fee payment (overall the audit fees were less than budgeted) Year to date we are very close to budget. The general fund is slightly over budget, due to the improvements in the park and the building payment, as well as timing differences on the audit. Adjusted for the **Building/equipment allowance** our budget included \$20,000 in building improvements and improvements and \$10,000 in specific equipment that was necessary by 2016 to remain compliance. These two allowances are in the annual budget for equipment. The roof for the fire department will use \$12,325 of the remaining budget, so we really only have \$2,290 in the budget for improvements and equipment...

Cash Balances: The cash balances as of January 31,2016, December 31,1015 and this time last year were as follows:

General Fund	1/31/15	\$ 38,472	12/31/2015	\$42,020	1/31/16	\$ 46,266
Fire	1/31/15	\$ 18,850	12/31/15	\$ 5,818	1/31/16	\$ 17,247
Street	1/31/5	\$127,052	12/31/15	\$147,172	1/31/16	\$ 148,130
CD,MM,						
Savings	1/31/15	\$146,573	12/31/15	\$146,672	1/31/16	\$124,671
TOTAL CASH		\$330,947		\$146,672		\$336,494

Councilman Ewing made a motion to transfer \$12,000 from the MM account to the Fire Fund to fund cover roof expenses. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carries.

New Business:

1.LACROSSE OLD HISTORICAL MARKER

Councilman Thomas made a motion to keep the old historical marker. Councilman Ewing seconded the motion. Discussion. Motion carries

Councilman Ewing made a motion for the old marker to be placed at the Town Hall Councilman Ho seconded the motion. Discussion. Motion carries

2. Evaluation and Appraisal

Councilman Ewing made a motion to apply for EAR grant funds on our own. Councilman Ho seconded the motion. Discussion. Motion carries.

Unfinished Business - none

Reports

1. Attorney Report - Mr. Maines asked for the C.D.B.G. Contract to be added to the March agenda.

2. Fire Department Councilman Tom Ewing and Fire chief Paul McDavid

- a. Fire Chief McDavid wrote a letter to the City of Alachua requesting a meeting for he and Councilman Ewing to discuss call reimbursement. To date no reply. Councilman Ewing suggested they wait about a week before they attempted another contact.
- b. The roofing has been completed by North Florida Roofing.
- c. The electrical work has not started. James Harrell came by the town hall and let us know that he would start in a couple of weeks.
- d. Call report: EMS 26 Fire 5 MVA 2 Other 5 (2 residential fire alarm, life assist, building damage, fuel leak) CITY OF ALACHUA 4 (2 EMS) (2 building fires) City of Lacrosse 2 (1 EMS) (1 structure fire) Total 38

3. Mayor Report

Mayor Dubberly Mayor Dubberly read the report on the Resilience Meeting for Santa Fe Watershed. There was no interest by any council members to attend

The bridge report was also read and we are in good standing with the results.

Mayor Dubberly also updated us on the Municipal Election dates before the Legislature. The March election for Seats 1 & 2 and the Mayor's is uncontested. Searing in will be in April.

Councilman Ewing presented the options for a new copy machine which would scan to the town clerk's computer. Our present machine cannot be updated to handle our workload. We are looking at a rental of \$50.00 a month with an increase of around \$20.00 to be discussed again at March meeting.

Councilman Thomas made a motion for 15 hours leave per fiscal year for the town clerk with full compliment for this fiscal year. Councilman Ho seconded the motion. Discussion. Motion carries with one opposed (Councilman Ewing)

4. Street/Streetlights Councilman Johnny Ho -

Councilman Ho gave an update on the tree trimming and streetlights.

5. Mowing - Councilman Dubberly absent

Councilman Thomas made a motion approving extension of current mowing contact for one additional month.

Councilman Ewing seconded the motion. Discussion. Motion carries

6. Parks/Recreation Councilman Barbara Thomas-

There was a discussion on park hours and light repairs. James Harrell stated that we would need new receptacles for the light switches at a cost of about \$30.00 each. The concrete pad was discussed and Williams concrete is to repair it at no charge within a few weeks.

7. Building and grounds Town Clerk - nothing to report

8. Grants - Councilman Mclendon -absent

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

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

Time 9.15 pm.

C. Dianne Dubberly - Mayor

Lee Forzly - Town Clerk