**Town of LaCrosse**

**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

**November 14th, 2023**

***Notice:*** *Minutes which are public records, 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 verbatim transcription of the meeting. If a person decides to appeal a decision made with respect to any matter at this Meeting or Hearing, an individual record of the proceedings may be necessary to ensure that a verbatim record is made*.

**The mayor called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**Present:** Councilman Kyle Cheshire, Councilman Sheila Dubberly, Councilman Johnny Ho, Councilman Barbara Thomas, Vice Mayor Anthony Kelley, Mayor Dianne Dubberly, Town Clerk Crystal Phillips, Accountant Choi Choi, and Town Attorney John Maines via Microsoft Teams.

**Approval of minutes Regular Meeting 11-14-2023:** Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes. Vice Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Attorney – John Maines**

Attorney Maines attended via TEAMS. He advised the council concerning the Auditor General *“ Auditor* *Selection and Auditor Selection Committee Guidance”* adopted September 30, 2021. The *Guidance* requirements established by the office of the Auditor General were discussed with the council.

**Meeting Motions:**

Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to accept the audit engagement letter from Reddish and White for a fee of $12,750 FY 2022-23, adding that notification of a future audit increase be given prior to budget preparations, and no later than June 1st. The mayor called for a second and following discussion motion was withdrawn.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to accept the proposal from Powell and Jones for $9000 for audit FY 2022-23. Vice Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried. The mayor was asked to notify Reddish & White.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to amend *Resolution 2008-02, Procurement Policy Town of* *LaCrosse* amending Section 5 to include “Vendors approved by Alachua County”. Vice Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to approve Budget Amendments 1 -11. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve Christmas Bonuses for the fire department: Fire Chief Leonard Reeder $1000, Deputy Chief Christopher Miller $1000, FF James Cribbs $500, FF Jeremiah Erickson $50, FF Joel Twigg $500, FF Kassandra Benoit $100, FF Nicholas Weadon $150, FF Sarah Jareett $150. Vice Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve a Christmas bonus for Accountant, Choi $500 from General Fund Revenue and $500 from Fire Fund Revenue. Vice Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to approve a Christmas bonus for Town Clerk, Crystal Phillips $500 from General Fund Revenue. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to permit the Alachua County Library District to use the public meeting area of the town hall to provide library services and requiring a written agreement acknowledging the provision of a key to the Alachua County Library District to the town hall, that days and times of service are to be specified and that facilities are left in the condition found. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Choi gave the regular budget report. Council members gave the regular committee reports.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Vice Mayor Kelley and which carried.

Councilman Cheshire made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Thomas and which carried. Time 7:55pm.

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C. Dianne Dubberly, Mayor Crystal Phillips, Town Clerk