

**Town of LaCrosse
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
February 14th, 2023**

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

Present: Councilman Kyle Cheshire, Councilman Sheila Dubberly, Councilman Johnny Ho, Vice Mayor Barbara Thomas, Town Attorney John Maines, Accountant Choi Choi, Deputy Fire Chief Chris Miller, Mayor Dianne Dubberly, and Town Clerk Crystal Phillips.

Absent: Councilman Anthony Kelley

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting 01-10-23: Councilman Cheshire made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney – John Maines:

Resolution 2023-___ WSPP Grant Fund Distribution: The council discussed Options 1 – 5 providing \$6 million in grant funding to the nine municipalities. The City of Gainesville was awarded its own \$6 million in grant funds separate from the other eight municipalities, but regardless, issued a statement opposing Option 5 which divides the grant funds evenly among the eight municipalities excluded from the City of Gainesville’s grant. In consideration of the City of Gainesville’s opposition, and the stated position of the BoCC to fully consider the City of Gainesville’s opposition, each of the other eight municipalities agreed to compromise on Option 4. After discussion Councilman Cheshire made a motion to support Option 4. Vice Mayor Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Council members Johnny Ho, Barbara Thomas, and Anthony Kelley qualified for seats 3, 4, 5 without opposition. The clerk will run an ad in Alachua County Today advising the public that the seats were uncontested and there will be no election. The swearing-in will be held at the April meeting.

The Fire Department Personnel Rules establishing a tobacco policy, will continue at the March meeting.

Interlocal Agreement Alachua County Floodplain Permitting and Inspection will be continued at the March meeting.

New Business:

Swamp Cutter made a proposal for mulching for \$900. Josh Davis provided drawings of the plants to be mulched. Councilman Cheshire made a motion to approve the proposal for \$900 for mulching. Vice Mayor Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Renaissance Printing offered proposals for Woodpecker Trail maps for the kiosk’s in sizes 36”x36”and 30”x30”, and for Incorporation Plaques. Following discussion, the council decided to request maps in size 16”x34”. Councilman Cheshire made a motion to approve \$340 for two maps, size 16”x34”. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carries. The mayor will contact Renaissance Printing with the council’s request to adjust the size of the maps. Following discussion of the Incorporation Plaques, Charles Kelley offered to design and provide the incorporation plaques.

Fire Department Report:

The call report was submitted for council review.

Fire Chief Reeder would like to be notified of any certificate of compliance issued for the planned warehouse that will be storing fireworks. The clerk was instructed to notify the fire chief. Following additional discussion Councilman Cheshire made a motion to notify all council members of each certificate of compliance issued by the town. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion, which carried.

Continuing Business:

Charles Kelley purchased equipment for Microsoft TEAMS. Charles discussed with Town Clerk Phillips and Mayor Dubberly how the room will be arranged with TV and a monitor.

Budget Report:

Accountant Choi submitted the monthly budget report to the council.

Reports:

Mayor Dubberly sent a letter supporting the reestablishment of AMTRAK passenger service in Alachua County.

The mayor informed the council that information pertaining to the Santa Fe River Flood Risk Review Meetings being held on February 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, is posted on the town's website.

Duke Energy price increases, due to increased fuel cost, is also posted on the website.

Town Clerk Phillips informs the town council of The Great American Clean-up and Tire Round-up will be occurring this spring and Waste Pro asked the Town to pick the date. Town Clerk recommend Saturday, April 22nd, 2023. Vice Mayor Thomas made a motion to approve the date for The Great American Clean Up on Saturday, April 22nd, 2023. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carries.

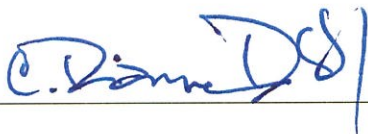
Town Clerk Phillips informs the town council that the mowing contract ends on March 31st, 2023. The bids advertisement will be out on Alachua County Today on February 16th and 23rd edition. Guided tour will be on March 3rd at 9am led by Councilman Ho.

Town Clerk discussed that the tennis net at the recreational needs to be replaced. Councilmember Cheshire made a motion to make purchase maximum of \$600 for new tennis net. Councilmember Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Councilman Cheshire made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Councilman Dubberly, and which carried.

Vice Mayor Thomas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Ho, and which carried.

Time: 8:07pm



C. Dianne Dubberly, Mayor



Crystal Phillips, Town Clerk