

**Town of LaCrosse
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
March 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, Councilman Anthony Kelley, Town Attorney John Maines, Accountant Choi Choi, Mayor Dianne Dubberly, and Town Clerk Crystal Phillips.

Absent: Vice Mayor Barbara Thomas

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting 02-14-23: Councilman Dubberly made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney – John Maines:

The following Mowing Contract Bids were submitted to the council:

Live Lawn & Prosper! LLC for \$15,400; Swamp Cutters Lawn Care, LLC for \$17,100; D&D Land Works, LLC for \$13,999. Following discussion concerning the Worker's Compensation Certificate submitted by D&D Land Works, LLC Councilman Cheshire made a motion to award the contract to D&D Land Works LLC, as the lowest bidder at \$13,999, conditional on establishing a valid Worker's Compensation Certificate. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Interlocal Agreement Alachua County Floodplain Permitting and Inspection was discussed. Councilman Cheshire presented changes to the agreement for discussion by the council. Following discussion, the council agreed to the changes. Councilman Cheshire made a motion to approve the *Interlocal Agreement Alachua County Floodplain Permitting and Inspection* with the agreed changes. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Property owner, Joanna Pakula, made inquiry concerning the ownership of the right-of-way adjacent to her property designated as 'Old Worthington Springs Rd'. Following discussion, and the attorney's advice, Councilman Kelley made a motion that prior to honoring any request concerning right-of-way, the requestor must first establish the Town owns the property, at the requestor's expense. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Fire Department Personnel Rules establishing a tobacco policy will continue at the April meeting due to Fire Chief Leonard Reeder's and Deputy Fire Chief Chris Miller's absence.

New Business:

Holiday Décor offered a four-year lease renewal proposal for \$6,480. Previously, it was \$5,880 for FY 2019-2022. Following discussion Councilman Kelley made a motion to approve the four year lease proposal from Holiday Décor for \$6,480. Councilman Ho seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Fire Department Report:

Fire Chief Reeder and Deputy Chief Miller were absent from the meeting. The Chief previously submitted the Call Report to the clerk for distribution to the council.

Continuing Business:

Charles Kelley and Councilman Kelley set the equipment up in meeting room already for Microsoft TEAMS and will be ready to be use for April meeting and will train Town Clerk Phillips how to use the monitor.

Following discussion of the Incorporation Plagues, Charles Kelley is continuing working on the incorporation plagues. The Woodpecker Trail Signage is ready to be placed into the kiosks.

Budget Report:

Accountant Choi submitted the monthly budget report to the council.

Accountant Choi discussed the loan from Street Funds for \$50K for the construction of the WSPP Walking Trail. Councilman Cheshire made a motion to use Street Funds for the Walking Trail as appropriate and as authorized by the town's auditor. Councilman Kelley seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Reports:

Mayor Dubberly shared with the council the email criticizing the barriers dividing the Woodpecker Walking Trail from street traffic. After discussion, the council agreed the barriers were necessary for safety reasons.

Town Clerk Phillis discussed with the town council when to remove the Duke Energy banners, town council agreed anytime Town Clerk Phillips is available to do so.

Town Clerk Phillips discussed with Alachua County Commission with dates available for joint meeting with BoCC, either Thursday, April 13th or Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30pm. Councilman Kelley made a motion to accept joint meeting with BoCC on Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30pm. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. The motion carries.

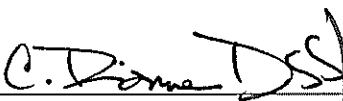
Town Clerk Phillips reminds the Town Council Seat 3, 4, and 5 the Swearing-In, election cycle committee assignment review, and election cycle election of Vice Mayor will be in April meeting.

Councilman Cheshire reported he installed new tennis net at the recreational park last Thursday on March 9th.

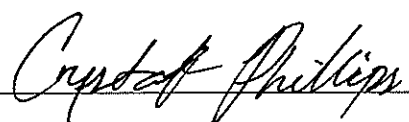
Councilman Ho made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Councilman Kelley, and which carried.

Councilman Kelley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Dubberly, and which carried.

Time: 7:25pm



C. Dianne Dubberly, Mayor



Crystal Phillips, Town Clerk