Town of LaCrosse Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes February 12,2018

Meeting Time: 6 p.m.

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

Present: Mayor Dianne Dubberly; Councilman Barbara Thomas; Councilman Johnny Ho; Councilman Giselle Z.GoPaul; Councilman Sheila Dubberly; Councilman Jishnu Dasa Fitch; Attorney John Maines; Accountant Choi Choi and Town Clerk Lee Forzly

Councilman Ho made a motion to approve the minutes from rhe Public Hearing on January 8,2018. Councilman Fitch seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously. Councilman Z.Go Paul made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting on January 8, 2018. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Budget Report- Accountant Choi Yi Choi

Cash Balances: General Fund \$65,361; General – WSPP \$18,126; Fire \$24,026; Street \$170,900; Money Market \$70,066; CD \$ 18,144 and CDBG \$2.00 Total \$366,624

Councilman Thomas made a motion to transfer \$800 from General Misc. Expense to General Office Equipment; Transfer \$500. From General Office Supplies to General Office Equipment and to amend to increase the budget for General Office Equipment by another \$1,250. Councilman Z.GoPaul seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business:

1. Wild Spaces Public Places Bids-

Bids were reviewed from Causseaux, Hewett & Walpole, Inc. and from Manley Design. After a discussion the council decided to readdress the bid proposals at the next council meeting. Councilman Dubberly made a motion to table the bid proposals until the March 12th meeting. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

2. Mowing Contract:

Bids were reviewed from; Frierson and Son -7 months at \$850.00 per month and 4 months at \$725 per month for a total of \$9.575 in even payments. At Lawn Care -7 months at \$800 per month and five months at \$600.00 per month for a total of \$8600.

Sky Frog Landscape Total \$28,224.00. PremierScape 19 services at \$485.00 each total \$9,215. Insurance papers were not included.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to accept the low bid of \$8600 from A.J. Lawn Service. Councilman Fitch seconded the motion, Motion carries unanimously.

3.**Local Option Gas Tax Distribution** -Councilman Z.GoPaul made a motion for Mayor Dubberly to represent LaCrosse in meetings. Councilman Fitch seconded the motion, Motion carries unanimously.

Reports:

- Attorney Report John Maines- Nothing to report
- 2. Fire Department -Councilman Barbara Thomas / Fire Chief Buddy Harris

Call Report: Total calls 54. Total calls in LaCrosse Town Limits-5; Total calls in Alachua Town Limits-12; Total MVA-7; Total fire related calls-10; of those fire related calls, 3 in Alachua, High Springs 2, none in Newberry and In District 22 but not in town limits-5. Of those fire related calls in District 22 and will be counted toward ISO rating with 4 responders – none.

Councilman Z.GoPaul made a motion to approve Leonard Reeder as Assistant Chief at full time pay. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Councilman Ho made a motion to pay Santa Fe Electric \$490.00 for two Exit Sign Emergency Light Combos at the Town Hall and \$950.00 for 5 at the Fire Department. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously. Councilman Thomas made a motion to lock the bathrooms at the park at night. Councilman Ho seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

- 3. Mayor
- **a.** Gainesville Chamber of Commerce 2018 Regional Partners Council. After discussion Councilman Z.GoPaul and Councilman Dubberly stated they we interested in finding our more information and would report back to the council.
- **b.** Rural advisor appointment to MTPO. Councilman Thomas made a motion to support Doug Jones. Councilman Ho seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.
- **4. Streets/Streetlights** Councilman Ho Will work on outline for street tree trimming for next council meeting.
- 5. Mowing Building and grounds Town Hall. New two-year contract issued to AJ Lawn Care
- 6. Parks and Recreation Councilman Fitch re-assigned to this committee.
- 8. Library Website Councilman Dubberly.

Bookmobile hours were discussed. Councilman Dubberly re-assigned to Website tasks

- 9. Grants Councilman Z.GoPaul re-assigned to this committee
- **10. Code Enforcement** Codes Enforcement was discussed and the council decided to keep codes enforcement under the mayor's office.

The council also discussed Facebook, which is privately maintained and Charles Kelly advised the council he would monitor Facebook.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the bills. Councilman Z.GoPaul seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously

Councilman Ho made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Fitch seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously

Time: 8:40 pm

C. Dianne Dubberly - Mayor

Lee Forzly – Town Clerk