**Town of LaCrosse**

**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

**April 11th, 2023**

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

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

**Swearing-In:** Johnny Ho for Council Seat 3, Barbara Thomas for Council Seat 4, and Anthony Kelley Council Seat 5.

**Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting 03-14-23:** Councilman Kelley made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Attorney – John Maines:**

Town Attorney not in attendance.

Former councilman Winton Dampier passed away on Saturday, March 25th. The card and flowers will be sent to his family.

**New Business:**

Brad Million and Annie Nock, Reddish and White, presented the annual audit report to the

town council. There were no findings. Brad Million approved of street funds being used for the WSPP Walking Trail project.

Charles Kelley recommended cancelling the town’s Zeno printer lease agreement and purchasing a HP Laser Jet Pro M283 FDW printer from Office Depot that prints color and black and white for the price of $549. He recommended also purchasing a 3 year protection plan for a cost of $70 and ordering a spare ink cartridge for up to $400. Councilman Thomas made a motion approving the recommendation. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. The motion carries.

**Fire Department Report:**

The Fire Chief and Deputy Chief were not in attendance.

The call report was submitted for council review.

The mayor advised the council that Cheryl Ellis, Asst. Director Finance and Administration, Alachua County Fire Rescue, notified the town that “*During January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022, the Town of Lacrosse had 452 responses into the County and County operated municipalities.  During the same time period, the County had 9 responses into the Town of Lacrosse. The net compensable responses to base for FY24 with proposed payment on ~~are~~ 443 responses. The CPI is 7.0% which will increase the cost per response from $662.04 to $708.38. The FY24 proposed annual payment from the County to the Town of Lacrosse will be $313,812.34.”*

**Continuing Business:**

Microsoft TEAMS will be used at the May meeting.

Following discussion of the Incorporation Plagues, Charles Kelley is continuing working on the incorporation plagues and will be printed by May meeting.

**Budget Report:**

Accountant Choi submitted the monthly budget report to the council.

Budget workshop will be held directly following the June 13th regular meeting.

**Reports:**

Mayor Dubberly will contact the Public Works for “Wildlife Crossing” to be installed on SR 235 due to the recent fatal accident involving motorcycle and a pick-up truck.

Mayor Dubberly shared the agenda topics for the Joint BoCC Meeting on April 18th.

The council agreed that in appreciation for the Duke Energy Grant awarded to the town for the purchase of fire department equipment that the Duke Energy Logo will be placed on the official LaCrosse website and a wall mount on the Fire Station building.

The council considered the annual review of Vice Mayor and committee assignments. Vice Mayor Thomas nominated Anthony Kelley to be Vice Mayor with Councilman Cheshire seconding the nomination and which carried. There were no changes in committee assignments.

Town Clerk Phillips reminds the town council the Great American Clean Up is on Saturday, April 22nd.

Town Clerk Phillips shared the residents’ concern of other residents setting tents on someone else’s property. The Town Clerk will contact the property owners and inform them of the current situation and take photos.

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

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

Time: 7:25pm

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C. Dianne Dubberly, Mayor Crystal Phillips, Town Clerk