

**Town of LaCrosse
Regular Council Meeting
Minutes
November 14th, 2022**

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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 Anthony Kelley, Town Attorney John Maines, Accountant Choi Choi, Deputy Fire Chief Chris Miller, Mayor Dianne Dubberly, and Town Clerk Crystal Phillips.

Absent: Vice Mayor Barbara Thomas and Councilman Johnny Ho

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting 10-11-22: Councilman Kelley made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes PH Meeting 10-11-22: Councilman Kelley made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney – John Maines:

Attorney Maines advised the council that a formal agreement with Santa Fe Electric to service the town owned pedestrian streetlights located on SR 121 is pending.

Following discussion concerning the term of renewal of the Clay Electric Franchise Agreement and increasing the franchise fee from 4% to 6%, Councilman Cheshire made a motion to renew the Clay Electric Franchise Agreement for a term of 30 years with a 6% franchise fee. Councilman Kelley seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Following a teleconference meeting with Barbara Cartwright, Office of Flood Plain Management, the mayor was advised the town's Interlocal Agreement with Alachua County for building and site plan inspection should be modified to include floodplain management duties. The mayor subsequently contacted Alachua County and received confirmation from Lalit Lalwani, Public Works Civil Engineer, that the county is currently working on a modification for the Town of LaCrosse and some of the other small cities. The council will be kept informed.

Following consideration of a five option split for the \$3 million in WSPP Grant Funds allocated by Alachua County, Councilman Kelley made a motion supporting Option 5 allocating \$375,000 for each city excluding the City of Gainesville due to the separate allocation of \$3 million in WSPP Grant funds from Alachua County to the City of Gainesville. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Fire Department Report:

The call report was submitted for council review.

The mayor informed the council that the town was awarded a Duke Energy Foundation Grant Award in the amount of \$20,000 for the purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus/SCBA's. The total cost

for the SCBA's is \$26,554.71. Councilman Dubberly made a motion for the town to supplement the grant for the purchase of SCBA's and to allocate \$6554.71 from the fire budget. Councilman Kelley seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Continuing Business:

Alachua County Today sent an email advising the town they advertised the request for bids advertisement for cleaning services at town hall and the recreation park in the October 20th edition. Due to the prior inconvenience, there's no charge.

Charles Kelley continues to work on mapping the additional light poles and discussion will continue at the December meeting.

Councilman Kelley made a motion to name the walking trail "Woodpecker Trail" and investigate signage. Councilman Cheshire seconded the motion. The motion carries.

New Business:

Swamp Cutters Lawn Care LLC., submitted a proposal for \$475 for mulching the crepe myrtles located at the fire station and the recreation park. Following discussion, the proposal was rejected pending a revised proposal to include description details of the area to be mulched. The clerk will contact Swamp Cutters for a revised proposal.

Budget Report:

Accountant Choi submitted the monthly budget report to the council. Councilman Cheshire made a motion to approve Budget Amendments 1-5. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Reports:

The mayor referred the council to the letter written advising FDOT of the council's request to remove the parking spaces on SR 121 in front of Wilkerson Welding, and the response received from Adam Doyle, FDOT, confirming the request was routed to Traffic Operations for removal of the spaces.

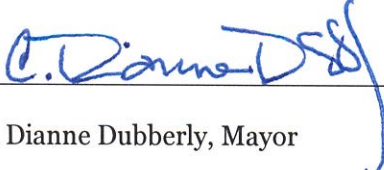
Councilman Kelley provided the estimates from Renaissance Printing for final printing and the street banners for \$3,259.71. Councilman Cheshire made a motion to approve the final draft image and to purchase the street banners. Councilman Dubberly seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Councilman Cheshire reported that he contacted John C. Hipp Construction about repairing the pillars at the walking trail.


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

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

Time: 7:35pm



C. Dianne Dubberly, Mayor



Crystal Phillips, Town Clerk