

Lake City Borough Council

2114 Rice Avenue

October 12, 2020

Call to Order: President Gollmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Christopher Byers, Ginger Cinti, Thomas Eberle, Raymond H. Fisher, Mary G. Gollmer, Jenny L. Potter, and Bettie Stephens, and Mayor Andrew J. Graves.

Appointed Officials Attending: Edward J. Betza /Solicitor, Stacy L. Kibler/Borough Secretary, Jeffery Parker/Patrolman, David M. Wierzchowski/Police Chief.

Visitors Attending: Gregg Mitcho.

Craig and Nancy Murphy: of 10540 Edgewood Drive is requesting Council consider adjusting their sewer bill. The Murphy's had a water leak in their meter pit, located in the right-of-way. The meter pit location prevented them from seeing, or hearing, the leak to have it fixed in a timely manner. Raymond Fisher motioned, Bettie Stephens seconded, to adjust the sewer charge to their normal usage. All agreed, except Ginger Cinti who abstained. Motion carried.

Tree Removal: Tom Pennsy of 2584 Penn Street, and Melissa Kilburn of 2550 Penn Street, are both requesting to remove trees within the right-of-way. Ginger Cinti motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to grant permission for Tom Pennsy to remove two trees, and Melissa Kilburn to remove a tree. All agreed, motion carried.

Community Center: Maria Cannon is organizing a benefit for an Elk Valley Student recently diagnosed with leukemia, and requested Council consider donating the Community Center for this event. Council tabled this decision, until the next meeting, to get further information on how social distancing would be provided for the event.

Minutes: Christopher Byers motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to approve the September 14 and 28, 2020, Minutes. Motion carried, after all agreed.

Bills for Approval: Christopher Byers motioned, Raymond Fisher seconded, to approve the October Bills. All agreed. Motion carried.

D&B Custom Wiring submitted a sewer fund invoice for outage call-in at the wastewater plant totaling \$340, and a general fund invoice for wiring the air compressor totaling \$451.80. Christopher Byers motioned, Raymond Fisher seconded, to approve paying the two invoices from D&B Custom Wiring. All agreed. Motion carried.

Police Department: The Mayor requested approval to purchase four tires for the Police SUV from Martins Tires for \$643.03, and approval for them to change the oil. Christopher Byers motioned, Raymond Fisher seconded, to purchase four tires, and have the oil changed. All agreed. Motion carried.

Training Certification: Chief Wierzchowski presented Council with the training certificates for the department. Council will review the information provided, and contact the Chief with any questions.

Bench: Thomas Eberle motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to keep the detention bench. All agreed, except Raymond Fisher, Jenny Potter, and Bettie Stephens. Motion carried. The bench will be kept for possible future installation in the department.

One Ton: Christopher Byers motioned, and Ginger Cinti seconded, to advertise the Ford F450 for bid, with a minimum bid of \$4,500. All agreed. Motion carried.

Security System: Raymond Fisher will meet with Borough Secretary to prepare specifications for the water and wastewater plants security systems. Council requested a front and rear camera at the water plant, and cameras on the front gate, garage, PAC, sludge press, and office building at the wastewater plant.

Budget: The proposed 2021 budget was presented to Council for review. Any comments or changes can be submitted to the Treasurer.

Julia Drive: Council agreed Engineer Halmi would continue to engineer the Julia Drive sanitary sewer grant project.

Stove: No bids were received for the purchase of the stove at the Community Center. Council tabled readvertising.

Laughlin Subdivision: The Laughlin Subdivision will have completed forming the LLC by the end of the week. The LLC will be known as Laughlin Subdivision Water Association.

Part-time Plow Driver: The Borough Secretary will contact Jack Dipolito regarding plowing, as needed, for nights, weekends, and holidays.

Handbook: Ginger Cinti motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to update the handbook. All agreed, motion carried. The handbook will remove merit pay, and replace with compensation, or wages which will be reviewed annually on your anniversary date. Anniversary Date will read your “official” anniversary date is the date Council took “official action” on your hiring.

Trash Contract: Ginger Cinti motioned, Christopher Byers seconded, to advertise the bid for trash removal. All agreed. Motion carried. The five year contract will be bid with Fairview Township, Girard Borough, Girard Township, Lake City Borough, and Platea Borough.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Truck: Bob Ferrando Ford quoted \$35,592 for the purchase of a F250 4x4, with plow, for the wastewater treatment plant. Thomas Eberle motioned, Raymond Fisher seconded, to accept the quote from Bob Ferrando Ford Sales. All agreed. Motion Carried.

PAC and Drying Bed Roofs: Council tabled roofing the buildings at the wastewater treatment plant until next year.

ECGRA Grant: Council did not approve applying for the Community Center Grant through ECGRA, due to the lack of funds in the Community Center account.

Streets: Ginger Cinti reported the streets department trimmed trees, finished hauling dirt from Keystone Drive, fixed curb box on Dunn Avenue, finished painting crosswalks, finished organizing the storage trailer, asphalted West Park Drive and Sampson Avenue. The Crew will be getting the equipment ready for winter, and patching NorthPark Drive.

Recess: President Gollmer recessed the meeting at 8:19 p.m. to executive session for personnel issues.

Reconvened: President Gollmer reconvened the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

Christopher Byers motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to increase Lynn Rublee's wage to \$23.00 per hour. All agreed, except Raymond Fisher, Jenny Potter, and Bettie Stephens. Motion carried.

Officer Parker will receive a Top Gun Award on November 17, 2020. He is requesting Council consider the 17th a workday, and paying him mileage, to receive the award. Council will take action at the next meeting.

Adjourned: President Gollmer adjourned the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy L. Kibler,

Borough Secretary