

**Lake City Borough Council****2350 Main Street****August 12, 2024**

**Call to Order:** Vice President Watkins called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Christopher G. Byers, Ginger L. Cinti, Thomas Eberle, Stacy L. Lesnett, Paul Orr, and Alan J. Watkins were present. Joshua Sturgeon, and Mayor Andrew J. Graves were absent.

**Appointed Officials Attending:** Edward J. Betza/Solicitor, Stacy L. Kibler/Borough Secretary and David Wierzchowski/Police Chief.

**Visitors Attending:** Ellen Avlon, Pete and Melanie Demetro, Gregg Mitcho/Girard Borough Council, David Homansky, Ron Rogers, Marvin Waxham Jr.

**Tree Removal:** Ginger Cinti motioned, and Thomas Eberle seconded, granting permission to Jennifer Agnello of 9947 Pine Street to remove a tree within the curb lawn. All Agreed. Motion carried.

**Minutes:** Thomas Eberle motioned, and Paul Orr seconded, to approve the July 8, 2024, Minutes as presented. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Bills for approval:** Paul Orr motioned, and Ginger Cinti seconded, to approve the August bills, bill and payroll ratifications. All agreed, except Ginger Cinti and Alan Watkins, who abstained because of a personal conflict. Motion carried.

Thoms Eberle motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to approve the transfer resolutions. All agreed. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the quote from All-Pro Forks for forks for the backhoe, totaling \$1,385. They also reviewed a quote from Five Star Equipment for a backhoe thumb totaling \$6,600, which includes installation. There will also be a \$700 round-trip hauling fee to transport the backhoe to the thumb installation. Paul Orr motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to expend \$8,685 for the purchase of forks, and a thumb, for the backhoe bucket from All-Pro Forks LLC and Five Star Equipment. All agreed except Ginger Cinti. Motion carried.

Council requested additional quotes on the purchase of new panic door hardware for the municipal building door. They also requested a quote for a new door with hardware.

**West County Paramedics:** Thomas Eberle motioned, Paul Orr seconded, to pay the \$35,220 annual fee for ambulance services. All agreed, except Alan Watkins. Motion carried.

**Time Clocks:** Alan Watkins will contact time clock vendors to get quotes for a time clock fingerprint system.

**Street Employee:** Thomas Eberle motioned to hire Matthew Vosburg, with the stipulation that he obtain a CDL license within three months or lose his position. Thomas Eberle withdrew his motion, after the solicitor said we could not make this stipulation with a union contract. Thomas Eberle also asked Council to consider increasing the starting wage for street employees as an incentive to retain employees. The surrounding municipalities pay their public works employees a higher starting wage. Council asked the Borough Secretary to contact the surrounding municipalities to get their annual revenues. The solicitor stated that all wage changes would have to have union approval.

**Elm and Elk Street Projects:** Thomas Eberle motioned, Paul Orr seconded, to accept the cooperative agreements, with the Erie County Department of Planning, for the Elm and Elk Street Projects. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Hartford Life:** Ginger Cinti motioned, Alan Watkins seconded, to accept the Hartford Life Insurance renewal. All agreed. Motion carried. The policy is renewed at the same rate until October 1, 2026.

**Tree Removal:** PJ's Tree Maintenance quoted \$450.00 to remove the tree in Memorial Park. Ginger Cinti motioned, and Thomas Eberle seconded, to accept the quote from PJ's Tree Maintenance. All Agreed. Motion carried.

**Water and Wastewater Operator:** Thomas Eberle motioned, Paul Orr seconded, approving the additional benefits from the union contract also be given to Troy Stainbrook. All agreed, except Alan Watkins. Motion carried.

Thomas Eberle motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to approve a three percent raise for Troy Stainbrook. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Recess:** President Byers recessed the meeting to an executive session at 6:43 p.m. for personnel matters.

**Adjourned:** Christopher Byers reconvened and immediately adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,**



**Stacy L. Kibler,**

**Borough Secretary**