

Lake City Borough Council

2350 Main Street

December 12, 2022

**Call to Order:** President Gollmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was audio recorded by Chief Wierzchowski.

**Roll Call:** Ginger L. Cinti, Christopher G. Byers, Thomas Eberle, Raymond H. Fisher, Mary G. Gollmer, Jenny L. Potter, Alan J. Watkins, and Mayor Andrew J. Graves were present.

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

**Visitors Attending:** Ellen Avlon, Clayton Brocious, Carri and David Burger, Peter Burton, Juston Cannon, Peter Dion, Brian and Lynette Dippel, Jennifer Eckart, Donna Komisarski, James LeRoy, Liz Lewis, Christy Lingle, Gregg Mitcho, Diane Perez, Karen Santry, and Josh Sturgeon.

**Anson Thornton:** of 10271 Northpark Drive asked Council to consider adjusting his water and sewer bill. Mr. Thornton received a \$587.00 water and sewer bill, when his normal average bills are around \$168.00. Council tabled the request until the meter could be changed.

Michele and Mike Sliker, and Tyler Youschak did not appear to make a public comment.

**Carri Burger:** of 2250 Rice Avenue, inquired on the status of the water treatment plant. She also asked why a \$300,000 street sweeper was purchased when our fire company is hurting. Carri will bring a list of complaints thrown out by the District Justice.

**Julia Drive:** Karen Santry the Walnut Grove Condominium Association President addressed her concern to Council regarding the condition of Julia Drive. They have not been able to obtain a plow driver due to the condition of the road. Engineer Halmi is contacting Koznel Construction about plowing the road for the season. Council tabled the issue but is open to amending the agreement.

**Jennifer Eckart:** of 9942 Holly Drive, asked Council to address the public notification letter sent to residents in November for an issue which occurred in October. Council explained there was an equipment malfunction at the water plant at 4:00 a.m. on October 16, causing a non-detect of chlorine at the entry point. The malfunction was repaired within 2.5 hours, which was within the 4 hour, DEP requirement to fix a low chlorine residual. The incident was reported during the normal monthly report to DEP in November, at which time the borough was notified we were required to send out a tier two notification to consumers. At no time was there a health risk to customers because the well pumps were off until the problem was resolved and only treated water from the storage tank went to the distribution system. No fines were incurred from this incident. Going forward DEP will be notified as soon as a problem occurs.

**Minutes:** Christopher Byers motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to approve the November 14,2022, Minutes. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Bills for Approval:** Christopher Byers motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to approve the December Bills, and Ratifications. All agreed except Alan Watkins, who abstained because of a personal conflict. Motion carried.

**Payroll Ratifications:** Christopher Byers motioned, Jenny Potter seconded, to approve the payroll ratifications. All agreed, except Alan Watkins, who abstained, because of a personal conflict. Motion carried.

**Ticketing Ordinance:** Gregg Mitcho presented an ordinance on issuing tickets for ordinance violators. Council will consider the ordinance.

**House Bill 2579:** Gregg Mitcho also presented House Bill 2579, if signed into law it will allow emergency medical technicians and emergency medical responders to pass a state exam instead of a national exam.

**Transfers:** Christopher Byers motioned, Raymond Fisher seconded, to accept the transfer resolutions. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Police Hiring:** Raymond Fisher motioned, Christopher Byers seconded, to table hiring an officer until speaking with Civil Service Commission. All Agreed. Motion carried.

**Sewer Ordinance:** Ginger Cinti motioned, Jenny Potter seconded, to accept sewer ordinance 447-22 amending sections 52-21 and 52-22 service charges for residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial properties. All agreed. Motioned carried.

**Tax Act 57:** Thomas Eberle motioned, Christopher Byers seconded, adopted ordinance 446-22. All Agreed. Motion carried. The ordinance will allow the tax collector to waive additional charges for real estate taxes in certain qualifying situations.

**Meter Reader:** Ginger Cinti motioned, Christopher Byers, seconded to hire James Potter for the meter reader position. All agreed. Motion carried.


**Tax Rate:** Alan Watkins motioned, Raymond Fisher seconded, to approve resolution 12-12-22 setting the 2023 tax rate at 3.35 mills. All agreed. Motion carried.

**2023 Budget:** Thomas Eberle motioned, Jenny Potter seconded, to approve the 2023 budget. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Adjourned:** President Gollmer adjourned the meeting to executive session at 8:13 p.m., for personnel matters.

**Reconvened:** President Gollmer reconvened and immediately adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m

**Respectfully Submitted,**



Stacy L. Kibler

**Borough Secretary**

**Lake City Borough Council****2350 Main Street****Special Meeting****December 27, 2022**

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

**Roll Call:** Ginger L. Cinti, Christopher G. Byers, Thomas Eberle, Raymond H. Fisher, Mary G. Gollmer, and Mayor Andrew J. Graves were present. Jenny L. Potter, and Alan J. Watkins were absent.

**Appointed Officials Attending:** David Rhodes /Solicitor, and Stacy L. Kibler/Borough Secretary.

**Visitors Attending:** Liz Lewis, and Karen Santry.

**Julia Drive:** Karyn Santry, the Walnut Grove Condominium Association President, appeared to request Council plow Julia Drive due to the condition of road after sanitary sewer construction project. The association did have the road plowed over the weekend and received two quotes to plow at a cost of \$150.00 per time. The solicitor advised Council of three options regarding Julia Drive, 1. Do not plow Julia Drive as supported by the Engineer, 2. Plow the road as a gesture of good will, or 3. Pay the increase for plowing road.

Raymond Fisher motioned; in good faith, the Borough will pay 25% of the plowing invoices based on the condition of the road. Motion failed with a lack of second.

Thomas Eberle motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, not to plow Julia Drive, or contribute anything, towards the private plowing. All agreed except Raymond Fisher. Motion passed.

**Adjourned:** President Gollmer adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,**



**Stacy L. Kibler**

**Borough Secretary**