

Borough of Lake City

2350 Main Street

December 09, 2024

Call to Order: President Byers 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, Joshua Sturgeon, Alan J. Watkins, and Mayor Andrew J. Graves were present.

Appointed Officials Attending: Edward J. Betza/Solicitor and Stacy L. Kibler/Borough Secretary.

Visitors Attending: Ellen Avlon, Carri and Dave Burger, Lynnette and Brian Dippel, Peter Burton/Girard Borough Mayor, Gregg Mitcho/Girard Borough Council, Nathan Koble, and Marvin Waxham Jr.

Tree Removal: Kirsten Rockwood, owner of parcel holding county index number 002-001.0-009.06 at the corner of South Edgewood Drive and Westpark Drive, requested permission to remove three dying trees. Alan Watkins motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to grant permission to remove the three trees. All agreed. Motion carried.

Lincoln Historical Marker: Nathan Koble appeared to request permission to place a historical marker honoring President Lincoln's inaugural train trip in 1861, where he made a stop in Lake City. Nathan will fund the project entirely and is looking for input on placement and design of the marker. Council does not object to the marker being placed in the park and will work with Nathan on the project.

Minutes: Thomas Eberle motioned, and Joshua Sturgeon seconded, to approve the November 11, and 25, 2024, minutes as presented. All agreed. Motion carried.

Bills for approval: Thomas Eberle motioned, Alan Watkins seconded, to approve the December bills, and ratifications. All agreed. Motion carried.

Payroll Ratifications: Paul Orr motioned, Joshua Sturgeon seconded, to approve the payroll ratifications. All agreed, except Alan Watkins, who abstained because of a personal conflict. Motion carried.

Transfer Resolution: Alan Watkins motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to accept the water and sewer transfer resolution. All agreed. Motion carried. The resolution calls for \$174,518.21 to be transferred from water to sewer for receipts owed.

Fire Company: The borough crew will add the fire stations to their plow routes. The fire company will be signing an agreement to purchase a new fire apparatus next month.

West County Paramedics: At the last meeting, Thomas Eberle reported that the West County Paramedics had an issue with an employee not inventorying medications properly. The problem has been corrected, and the employee is no longer with the paramedics.

LST: Alan Watkins motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to transfer \$14,094.44 in LST revenue to the Lake City Fire Company. All agreed. Motioned carried.

Budget: Joshua Sturgeon motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to approve the 2025 budget as presented. All agreed, except Christopher Byers, Ginger Cinti, and Alan Watkins. Motion carried.

Tax Ordinance: Thomas Eberle motioned, Paul Orr seconded, to approve Ordinance 450-24. All agreed, except Christopher Byers, Ginger Cinti, and Alan Watkins. Motion carried. The ordinance sets the 2025 tax rate at 3.85 mills for general purposes and 1.00 mills for the Lake City Fire Company.

Dental Insurance: Joshua Sturgeon motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to renew the BAI Dental Services Agreement. All agreed. Motion carried.

Police Actuarial Services: Joshua Sturgeon motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to renew the service agreement with Definiti for governmental police pension actuarial services. All agreed. Motion carried.

Audit: Thomas Eberle motioned, Paul Orr seconded, to accept the three-year (2024-2026) engagement letter from Buseck, Barger, Bleil & Co. for audit services. All agreed, except Joshua Sturgeon, who abstained because of a personal conflict. Motion carried.

Sewer Camera: Thomas Eberle motioned, Paul Orr seconded, to purchase a sewer camera. All agreed, except Joshua Sturgeon. Motion carried.

Recess: President Byers recessed the meeting to an executive session at 6:35 p.m. for the police contract.

Reconvened: President Byers reconvened the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Foreman Job Description: Thomas Eberle motioned, Paul Orr seconded, to accept the public works foreman job description as presented. All agreed, except Alan Watkins. Motion carried.

Police Department: Ginger Cinti motioned, Stacy Lesnett seconded, for Chief Wierzchowski to submit a monthly traffic stop report indicating how many stops, the time and location of stops, and if a ticket was issued. All agreed. Motion carried.

Adjourned: Christopher Byers adjourned the meeting at 700 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Stacy L. Kibler,
Borough Secretary**