

**Borough of Lake City**

**2350 Main Street**

**March 10, 2025**

**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:** Sherry Allende, Ellen Avlon, Kristina Burfield, Melanie and Pete DeMetro, Jerry Ellis, David Garres, Dan and Billie Jo Maher, Lydia and Jerry Kmecik, Nathan Koble, Donna Komisarski, Gregg Mitcho/Girard Borough Council, Karen Orloff, Kyle Potter, and Ronald Rogers, Dale Schlosser, Karyn Santry, Eric and Kirstin Woodie and Rich Zuck.

**Water Bill Adjustments:** Tammy Hetz, owner of 1593 Lake Street, requested an adjustment on her water and sewer bills. Council at the February 10<sup>th</sup> meeting agreed to adjust for water leaks if an invoice was submitted from a licensed plumber. Ms. Hetz did not have an invoice from a licensed plumber, and council did not adjust the bill.

**Kristina Burfield:** of 2655 Spruce Drive asked Council to consider amending the Animal Ordinance to permit chickens with restrictions. Council tabled the issue until April to review the information she presented.

**Minutes:** Alan Watkins motioned, and Paul Orr seconded, to approve February 10, 2025, minutes as presented. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Bills for approval:** The Treasurer added General Fund Invoices from Ascendance for a rear axle repair for \$1,183.83, Erie County Association of Municipal Administrators annual dues for \$50.00, Elderkin Law Firm for \$495.95, and a Sewer Fund invoice for Brian Sleigh's clothing allowance for \$133.97. Paul Orr motioned, Joshua Sturgeon seconded, to approve the March bills, ratifications, and additions. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Police Department:** The Chief introduced Officer Ouderkirk. Council agreed Officer Ouderkirk could pursue regionalizing the police department.

**West County Paramedics (WCP):** Thomas Eberle reported that WCP is giving communities that have not joined WCP ninety days to join, or services may be terminated.

**Martin Avenue Parking:** A public hearing was held on amending the parking ordinance to include no parking on Martin Avenue from September to June. David Garres of 10023 Martin Avenue and Daniel and Billie Jo Maher of 10044 Martin Avenue were against the amendment, stating that there is not an issue. and they asked where their guests would park if they came to visit. Dan Maher is also a bus driver for the Girard School District and stated the other drivers had no issues on Martin Avenue. Council did not amend the ordinance.

**Salt Spreader:** Council tabled purchasing a salt spreader until fall.

**10064 Railroad Street:** A violation letter was issued to 10064 Railroad Street for raw sewage leaking into the basement. Thomas Eberle motioned, Stacy Lesnett seconded, the motion to hire a BIU to inspect the property for possible condemnation if the property owner does not comply. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Equipment:** Paul Orr motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to purchase a new zero-turn lawn mower with a trailer. All agreed except Ginger Cinti. Motion carried.

**Trees:** Paul Orr motioned, Joshua Sturgeon seconded, the Borough Crew could remove two arborvitaes at the office and the crab apple trees in front of Pavilion Park. All agreed except Christopher Byers, Ginger Cinti, and Stacy Lesnett. Motion carried.

**Snow Blower:** Alan Watkins motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to purchase a new snow blower. The motion failed when only Christopher Byers, Thomas Eberle, and Alan Watkins agreed. Council will discuss purchasing a new snow blower again in the fall.

**Recess:** President Byers recessed the meeting to an executive session at 7:08 p.m. for the non-uniform employees.

**Reconvened:** President Byers reconvened the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

**Adjourned:** Christopher Byers adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy L. Kibler,

Borough Secretary