

Lake City Borough Council

2114 Rice Avenue

September 14, 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, Mary G. Gollmer, Jenny L. Potter, and Bettie Stephens were present. Raymond H. Fisher and Mayor Andrew J. Graves were absent.

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

Visitors Attending: Jim Addressi, Scott and Sarah Akam, Sherry Allende, Bruce Billings, Arthur Foy Jr., David Fetsuga, Donna and Mike Komisariski, Patrick Miller, Gregg Mitcho, David Nagle, Tammy Neiger, Tina and Al Rensel, Robin Roberts, Lynn and Ellen Rublee, Megan Smith, Dawn Stanton, Gary and Maureen VanMeter, and Dean Zimmer.

Animal Ordinance: Patrick Miller, 150 West Park Drive, appeared requesting Council consider amending the Animal Ordinance to allow chickens in the borough. Council was concerned with vermin, odors, noise, and the animal waste. Bettie Stephens motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, not to amend the Animal Ordinance. All agreed and the motion carried.

Eagle Street: The Eagle Street Residents appeared to express their concerns about connecting to the new sanitary sewer line. The cost to connect to the new system will be a financial burden to all the residents. The residents wanted to know why it wasn't a gravity system, why sewer taps were not installed, the cost for boring from the north side of Eagle Street and how the grinder system works. Council tabled enforcing the ordinance until after the Sewer Authority Meeting.

Laughlin Subdivision: The Laughlin Subdivision presented council with a bulk water service agreement for their consideration. Thomas Eberle motioned, Bettie Stephens seconded, to approve the bulk water service agreement subject to the revisions, approval by the solicitor, the residents forming an LLC within thirty days and their approval. All agreed. Motion carried.

Tree Removal: Anson Thornton of 10271 Northpark Drive, and Misty Litz 426 Edgepark Drive, are both requesting to remove two trees within the right-of-way. Bettie Stephens motioned, Christopher Byers seconded, to grant permission for Anson Thornton and Misty Litz to remove their trees.

Kary Santry: of 1091 Lake Street submitted minor subdivision plans for Council approval. Ms. Santry is purchasing 0.233 of an acre to combine with her property located at 1091 Lake Street. Council tabled approving the plans until Planning Commission could give their input.

Dawn Stanton: of 2483 Lake Street appeared requesting information on the Crossing Guard Position. The Police Chief and Ms. Stanton took the discussion in to a private meeting.

Minutes: Ginger Cinti had a correction to the minutes. The Water and Sewer Committee met with the Laughlin Subdivision, not the Streets Committee. Christopher Byers motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to approve the August 10, 2020, Minutes, as amended. Motion carried, after all agreed.

Bills for Approval: Christopher Byers motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to approve the September Bills. All agreed. Motion carried.

Transfer Resolution: Christopher Byers motioned, Bettie Stephens seconded, to approve the transfer resolution. All Agreed. Motion carried. The resolution allows for the 2020 budgeted transfers to Equipment Depreciation. It also allows for the transfer to Sewer Fund for receipts owed from the Water Fund.

Code Book: Christopher Byers motioned, Jenny Potter seconded, accepting the quote from General Code to update the code book. All agreed. Motion Carried. The update will cost between \$3,895, and \$4,635.

Water Plant: The generator at the water plant is over thirty years old, has a radiator leak, and needs a new muffler. The estimated cost to rebuild the radiator and replace the muffler is \$6,000; and the estimated cost to purchase a new one is \$45,000. Christopher Byers motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to purchase a new generator. All agreed, except Ginger Cinti, who abstained. Motion carried.

Christopher Byers motioned, Jenny Potter seconded, to purchase a new generator. All agreed, except Ginger Cinti, who abstained. Motion carried.

Engineer: Council agreed Deiss and Halmi Engineering does an excellent job; however, the Sewer Authority and Borough should have separate engineers. Christopher Byers motioned, Bettie Stephens seconded, to appoint Rabell Surveying and Engineering as the Borough Engineer. All agreed, motion carried.

Erie County Landbank: Christopher Byers motioned, Bettie Stephens seconded, to accept the intergovernmental cooperation agreement between the Erie County Land Bank, Lake City Borough, and Girard School District. All agreed. Motion carried. The Agreement allows the Borough, and Land Bank, to encourage productive land uses, stabilize the community, and the tax base.

MMO: Christopher Byers motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to accept the uniform and non-uniform MMO's. Motion carried, after all agreed.

Tax Claim: Resolution 9-14-2020, is a resolution approving an agreement among the County of Erie, Erie County Tax Claim Bureau, and the Law Firm of Macdonald, Illig, Jones & Britton LLP, to conduct the lien free tax sale. Christopher Byers motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to accept Resolution 9-14-20. All agreed. Motion carried.

Bicycles: Christopher Byers motioned, Ginger Cinti seconded, to approve a Resolution declaring 18 bicycles as surplus, and donating them to the Anna Shelter. Motion Carried, after all agreed.

Halloween: Council agreed trick or treat will be held on October 31, 2020, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Residents who would like to participate will illuminate their porch light. Growth and Development is organizing the safe trick or treating event, for October 27th, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Budget: The proposed 2021 budget will have a small tax increase, and will not include a rate increase for water and sewer.

Community Center: Christopher Byers motioned, Thomas Eberle seconded, to advertise the community center stove with a minimum bid of \$200.00. All agreed. Motion carried. The proceed will go to the purchase of new flooring.

One Ton: Ferrando Ford quoted \$68,254 for the purchase of a Ford F550 with v-plow. Christopher Byers motioned, and Ginger Cinti seconded, to accept the quote from Bob Ferrando Ford World for the purchase of a Ford F550. All agreed. Motion carried.

Streets: Ginger Cinti reported the streets department has been mowing and trimming, finished Keystone Drive, fixed the leaf springs on the International, and finished cleaning all the catch basins. The Crew will be working on road patching West Park Drive, Sampson and Maple Avenues, getting the equipment ready for winter, and getting the International welded.

Recess: President Gollmer recessed the meeting at 9:08 p.m. to executive session for legal and personnel issues.

Reconvened: President Gollmer reconvened the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Ginger Cinti motioned, Christopher Byers seconded, to increase Troy Stainbrooks wage to \$18.00 an hour, effective as of his anniversary date. All agreed. Motion carried.

Ginger Cinti motioned, Christopher Byers seconded, to give Lynn Rublee a three percent raise, effective as of his anniversary date. All agreed, except Jenny Potter, and Bettie Stephens. Motion carried.

Adjourned: President Gollmer adjourned the meeting at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy L. Kibler,

Borough Secretary