

Lockesburg City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Lockesburg City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 in the Council Room at City Hall. The media was notified.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 and followed with prayer by Mayor Danny Ruth and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance were Mayor Danny Ruth, Recorder Treasurer Becky Jegstrup, Council Members Chuck Martin, Mark Schroer, Joe Stephens, and Levi Browning. Council Members Claudine Tompkins and William Roberts were absent. Those also in attendance were City Clerk JoAnna Giusti, Assistant City Clerk Sydney Hill and Parks Commissioner Shelia Ruth.

A request for hook up to City water had been made by Laken McWhorter but any action was tabled on this until she could be present. A motion to table was made by Browning and seconded by Martin. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Martin to accept the minutes from the May 18, 2023 Council meeting. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Schroer to accept the May Budget and Financial Reports. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was made by Martin and seconded by Schroer to move the money from the Sidewalk Project Fund back to the Settlement CD as was originally intended. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Browning to move \$60,000 from Water Project Savings to the Water Project Money Market Account to draw more interest. Motion passed 4/0/0.

After a brief discussion by Park Commissioner Ruth a motion was made by Schroer and seconded by Stephens to approve moving forward and applying for a Fun Park Grant. Motion passed 4/0/0.

Resolution 2023-5, A Resolution to Allow the Fun Park Grant Application was read in its entirety by R/T Jegstrup. A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Martin to accept the Resolution. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Martin-yes, Schroer-yes, Stephens-yes, and Browning-yes.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Schroer to allow the Fire Department to order 4 sets of turnouts at the cost of \$12,925 and to be paid from the Act 833 Account. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was also made to rescind the motion from April which stated the Fire Department would pay 50% of the cost of the HVAC out of Act 833 and to change the motion to allow the money to come from the Fire Department Special Account. The motion was made by Browning and seconded by Martin. Motion passed 4/0/0.

The Council discussed getting additional electrical outlets at the Park Pavilion for such things as Christmas Tree set up this fall. Park Commissioner Ruth is checking on pricing.

Council Members discussed comprising a list of properties in the area that needed attention being up to code. It was also discussed to have the City Attorney draft a letter to be sent to people who neglect to clean up. No action was taken at this time.

A motion was made by Martin and seconded by Stephens to allow a new Lexmark printer to be ordered for the office at the cost of app \$500. Motion passed 4/0/0.

Asst City Clerk Sydney Hill's one year anniversary is July 8, 2023. A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Martin to raise her hourly rate to \$13. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was made by Martin and seconded by Stephens to give Mayor Ruth a \$150 monthly raise. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Martin to approve the bills for May. Motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion was made by Martin and seconded by Stephens to adjourn. Motion passed 4/0/0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:32.

Mayor Danny Ruth _____

Recorder Treasurer Becky Jegstrup _____