

Lockesburg City Council Meeting  
Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Lockesburg City Council met in regular session Tuesday, November 14, 2023 in the Council Room at City Hall. The media was notified.

The meeting was called to order at 6:49 by Mayor Danny Ruth followed with prayer by Levi Browning and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance were Mayor Danny Ruth, Recorder Treasurer Becky Jegstrup, Council members Mark Schroer, Joe Stephens, Claudine Tompkins, Levi Browning and William Roberts. Council member Chuck Martin was absent. Also in attendance was City Clerk JoAnna Giusti and Waste water Supervisor Matt Webb.

Guest in attendance was Michael Roberts representing R&R Restoration and Heath Ruth.

After a lengthy discussion a motion was made by Schroer and seconded by Roberts to pay R&R the outstanding balance of \$1753.32 after completion of work and installation of louvers on the windows at the restrooms at the IMCS Park Pavilion. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Heath Ruth addressed the Council in regards to the moneys made from the Haunted House at the IMCS Park. The Council was informed the money was at City Hall but was not sure where to deposit the money. A motion was made by Schroer and seconded by Browning to deposit the money in the Park Fund Checking account. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Schroer to approve the minutes from the October 10,2023 meeting. Motion passed 5/0/0.

After a brief discussion a motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Stephens to approve the October Budget and Financial Reports. Motion passed 5/0/0.

The Council discussed an electrical pole that had been placed at the IMCS Park to enable Christmas trees between the Pavilion and the Highway. A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Roberts to pay the cost of the pole from the Park Fund Checking account. Motion passed 5/0/0.

The Council discussed the Christmas parade which is to be held December 2nd,2023 at 3 o'clock.

The Council also discussed the proposed Budget for 2024 but no action was taken at this time. A meeting was scheduled for December 5, 2023 at 6:30 to go over the Budget prior to our Council meeting.

A motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Schroer to read Ordinance 2023-3,An Ordinance Requiring Premises To be Kept Free From Weeds, Rank Grass, Garbage, Rubbish and Other Unsightly And Unsanitary Articles; Requiring Property Owners to Eliminate, Fill Up or Remove Stagnant Pools of Water or Any Other Unsanitary Thing Place or Condition Which Might Become

a Breeding Ground For Mosquitos, Flies and Germs Harmful To the Health of the Community; Prescribing A Procedure To Be Followed In Such Cases; And Declare an Emergency, by title only and declare an emergency. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Ordinance 2023-3 was read by title only by R/T Becky Jegstrup. A motion was made by Tompkins and seconded by Browning to approve the first reading. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Ordinance 2023-3 was read by title only by R/T Jegstrup. A motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Schroer to approve the second reading. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Ordinance 2023-3 was read by title only by R/T Jegstrup. A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Stephens to approve the third and final reading. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Schroer to approve Ordinance 2023-3. Motion passed 5/0/0. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Schroer-yes; Stephens-yes; Tompkins-yes; Browning-yes; and Roberts-yes.

A motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Schroer to read Ordinance 2023-4, An Ordinance Requiring Owners or Occupants of Premises Abutting on Streets to Keep the Street Gutters Alongside their Premises Clear of All Matter Preventing the Free Flow of Water Therein and Prohibiting Obstructions to Such Flow and Prescribing a Penalty for Its Violation, by title only and declare an emergency. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Ordinance 2023-4 was read by title by R/T Jegstrup. A motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Tompkins to approve the first reading. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Ordinance 2023-4 was read by title by R/T Jegstrup. A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Schroer to approve the second reading. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Ordinance 2023-4 was read by title by R/T Jegstrup. A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Tompkins to approve the third and final reading. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Schroer to approve Ordinance 2023-4. Motion passed 5/0/0. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Schroer-yes; Stephens-yes; Tompkins-yes; Browning-yes; Roberts-yes.

Waste Water Supervisor Webb address the Council with a couple of concerns about replacing manholes, and a culvert that needed replaced.

Fire Chief Webb addressed the Council to clarify where money was to come from for items purchased for the Fire Department. The SCBAs would be paid from the Act 833 account and the turnouts from Fire Department O&M.

Webb also informed the Council the Chili Cookoff had been rescheduled for December 16,2023 at 6:30 at the Fire Department with a movie for the kids to follow. A motion was made by Roberts

and seconded by Stephens to pay for the license from the Fire Department Special account. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Schroer to go into executive session at 7:47. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Schroer to come out of executive session at 8:06. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Browning to allow Matt Webb to continue to work 4 ten-hour workdays. Holiday pay would be 10 hours. If the holiday falls on Monday, his scheduled day off, he would have to take another day that week as his holiday. Motion passed 5/0/0.

The Council discussed raising the price of the Peddler's fee but no action was taken at this time.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Schroer to approve the October bills. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Tompkins and seconded by Stephens to adjourn. Motion passed 5/0/0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:26.

Mayor Danny Ruth \_\_\_\_\_

Recorder Treasurer Becky Jegstrup \_\_\_\_\_