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Lockesburg City Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

Lockesburg City Council met in regular session Tuesday, January 9, 2024 in the Council Room at City Hall. The media was notified of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:28 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, Claudine Tomkins and Levi Browning. Council member William Roberts was absent. Also in attendance were City Clerk JoAnna Giusti, Asst City Clerk Syndey Hill, Park Commissioner Shelia Ruth, and Utilities Manager Justin Ruth.

Guest in attendance was Hunter Frachiseur.

Hunter Frachiseur addressed the Council concerning employment to fill the vacant utility worker spot.

The Council set a time for a Personnel policy workshop for January 22 at 6:30.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Tompkins to approve the minutes from the December 2023 meeting with a few corrections made. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Stephens to leave the meeting date, time and place as it is, the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in the Council Room at City Hall. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Schroer and seconded by Stephens to approve the Revised Budget for 2023. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Martin to approve the Financial Report for December 2023. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Utilities Manager Justin Ruth addressed the Council concerning one well that is not working. A LMI and a VFD will need to be replaced to get it back running. The combined cost of the 2 parts is between \$4000 and \$6000. A motion was made by Schroer and seconded by Martin to approve the purchase. Motion passed 5/0/0.

Surveillance at the IMCS Park was discussed and it was decided to get quotes to try and get the cameras all working prior to the Eclipse event.

The Council also gave Ruth permission to move forward with the purchase of the 2 tanks for gas and off-road diesel for the City Compound.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Martin to keep the uniform allowance as it was set last year... (\$1000 for utility workers and \$700 for Mayor). Motion passed 5/0/0.

Park Commissioner Shelia Ruth updated the Council concerning the plans for the Eclipse event. 20 sites for campers have been marked off and will be rented for \$150 a night dry camping and they are working on marking off spaces for tents to be rented for \$100 a night nonrefundable. The Park Committee has activities planned for Friday April 5th through Monday April 8th including meals, live music, talent show, train rides etc.

A motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Schroer to become a member of the Sevier County Chamber of Commerce at the cost of \$100 per year. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Tompkins and seconded by Schroer to approve the Legislative Audit Report. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Tompkins and seconded by Martin to approve the Water Audit Report. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Stephens to table the employee raises until after the January 22 workshop. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Schroer and seconded by Stephens to approve the bills for December 2023. Motion passed 5/0/0.

A motion was made by Tompkins and seconded by Browning to adjourn. Motion passed 5/0/0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:21.