

VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 11, 2023

President Griffith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: President Griffith, Trustee Saxton, Trustee Trevino, Trustee Leppink, Trustee Behrenwald, Trustee Mitchell and Trustee Fryover.

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Manager & Chief, Darin Dood, Lieutenant Russell, OIC Jared Nielsen, DPW Supervisor Brian Bucholtz, and Clerk Melissa King.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Trustee Trevino moved and Trustee Behrenwald seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chelsea Sack, 531 S Lincoln – Addressed concerns about some youth in our community. Because of incidents that have taken place in town, she has started an online neighborhood watch group “See something, say something”. She would like to see the Village start an actual neighborhood watch.

Dave Hammer, lives out on the lake – He asked what the average response time was after hours for police officers to respond. Manager Dood responded that the Village does not run a third shift in the Village limits. We are covered by the State Police Dept. and the County Police Dept. The number of officers working in these departments at the state and county level would depend on the response time. Severity of the crime comes into play. In an emergency, call 911. Otherwise, your best option is to call dispatch in a nonemergency.

Carol Hammer – She supports Chelsea and the concerns she has. She inquired about vet burial at the cemetery. We noted that any Veteran in the Village of Lakeview does not pay for a grave opening. If they are non-resident, they would get resident pricing for the burial.

Pat Carr, County Commissioner that represents Lakeview – He commended the council for what they do and how they operate the Village. He feels we have a cohesive unit and have done a lot of nice improvements to the Village. He stated that Manager Dood is quickly becoming a sought-after commodity in the County. Everyone has nothing but praise for his work, knowledge and ability for everything he does.

STANDING ITEMS

Trustee Behrenwald moved and Trustee Fryover seconded to approve the Meeting Minutes from June 13, 2023 as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Saxton moved and Trustee Fryover seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$52,207.37 as presented. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Lieutenant Russell did not add to his written report.

Supervisor Bucholtz added that the town chipping of limbs was complete and they would be finishing up at the cemetery tomorrow.

OIC Nielsen did not add to his written report. Council congratulated OIC Nielsen on his certification for the water and sewer department.

Manager Dood congratulated OIC Nielsen on his water/sewer certification. He noted the importance of additional classes to help with the certification that we typically didn't do. Manager Dood recognized retired Police Chief Hahn who was in attendance.

Farmers' Market is up and running and well attended.

Music in the Park is going well also.

We were told that we were going to be back ordered for the USDA grant for the Police Car until 2024. Manager Dood was able to find a 2023 black vehicle, not navy like we currently have. We are waiting to see if the transfer from another dealership is doable.

BUSINESS

Utility Poles- Council has discussed putting decorations on the South end of town to match what we do in the downtown district. There would be a yearly charge from Consumers to add decorations to their utility poles. We could purchase our own poles and put them in our ROW. General consensus is to table the discussion and bring back costs for black poles to be added to the South end of town to match our downtown district instead of adding the decorations to a utility pole. These decorative poles would run from the traffic light at M46/M91 to Tamarack Road. This discussion is tabled until a later date.

Police in-car cameras- Manager Dood reviewed the 3 vendor systems that are available to equip the police vehicles. Each have unique qualities.

Trustee Leppink moved and Trustee Saxton seconded to allow the Village Manager to purchase the Motorola in car cameras. Motion carried.

Certificate of Deposit -After reviewing the Village of Lakeview Investment Policy, Manager Dood is recommending we do short-term investing from various funds. The total investment would be \$300,000. The bread down would be \$100,000 from the Water, Sewer and Major Street Funds.

Trustee Fryover moved and Trustee Behrenwald seconded to allow the Village Manager to invest \$300,000 into a 6-month term CD with Mercantile Bank at 5% APY. Motion carried.

Trustee Fryover moved and Trustee Leppink seconded to go into closed session at 7:36 pm per the Open Meetings Act, Section 8(h), to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

President Griffith-Aye

Trustee Trevino-Aye

Trustee Behrenwald-Aye

Trustee Mitchell-Aye

Trustee Saxton-Aye

Trustee Fryover-Aye

Trustee Leppink-Aye

Motion carried

Trustee Saxton moved and Trustee Trevino seconded to come out of closed session at 7:58 pm. Motion carried.

Trustee Fryover moved and Trustee Trevino seconded to allow Village Manager Dood to negotiate the purchase of property discussed. Motion carried.

Trustee Trevino moved and Trustee Leppink seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:59 PM. Motion carried.

Police Report – 64 complaints, 9 tickets, 23 verbal warnings, 30 traffic stops, 4 liquor inspections, 149 property inspections and 5 arrests.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa King
Village Clerk

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