

City of Litchfield
120 E. Ryder, Litchfield, Illinois
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2023

Mayor Steven Dougherty called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present on roll call were Alderpersons Dwayne Gerl, Marilyn Sisson, Dave Hollo, Dan Newkirk, Cassidy Paine, Timothy Wright, Woodrow Street, and Ray Kellenberger. The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

Public Participation:

Jon Magnusson shared about an upcoming open forum taking place on Friday, February 17 to discuss substance abuse and recovery in our community, and extended an invitation to the alderpersons to attend.

Other Business:

Alderperson Sisson made a motion, seconded by Alderperson Wright to accept the minutes from the January 19, 2023 meeting.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Alderperson Gerl made a motion, seconded by Alderperson Wright to direct the City Clerk to transfer funds from the city sales tax to the City's general fund to issue checks and authorize to pay the bills and process payroll.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

New Business:

Lake:

Alderperson Hollo made a motion, seconded by Alderperson Kellenberger to approve the repairs and replacement of damaged ceiling tiles, insulation, kitchen cabinets, three LED light fixtures and water lines that froze up and broke on December 25th at the Beach House Meeting room at Lake Lou Yaeger, for an amount not to exceed \$5,360.09 and authorize the City Clerk to issue payment upon satisfactory completion.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Fire:

Alderperson Hollo made a motion, seconded by Alderperson Wright to approve the proposal from the Illinois Fire Chief's Association to provide promotional testing services for the rank of

Captain and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement for an amount not to exceed \$19,500.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.
Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Aldersperson Hollo made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Street to approve the purchase of two (2) Sensit Gold G2 4 Gas (LEL/CO/O2/H2S) Detectors from Mac's Fire and Safety at a cost not to exceed \$4,868.75 and authorize the City Clerk to issue a check upon satisfactory delivery.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.
Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Water:

Aldersperson Wright made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Sisson to authorize the advertisement for bids of water treatment chemicals for the upcoming fiscal year.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.
Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Planning & Zoning:

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Paine to approve a Resolution approving a Special Use Permit for a short-term rental property located at 209 N. Lincoln, parcel number 10-32-458-019.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.
Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Street to approve a Resolution approving a Special Use Permit for a short-term rental property located at 408 S. Harrison, parcel number 15-04-207-005.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.
Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Wright to approve a Resolution approving a Special Use Permit for a short-term rental property located at 512 W. Kirkham, parcel number 10-32-485-012.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.
Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Gerl to approve a Resolution approving a Special Use Permit for a short-term rental property located at 516 S. Old Historic Route 66, parcel number 15-05-276-003.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Alderman Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Alderman Sisson to approve a Resolution approving a Special Use Permit for a short-term rental property located at 714 E. Edwards, parcel number 10-33-458-003.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Alderman Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Alderman Wright to approve a Resolution approving a Special Use Permit for a short-term rental property located at 821 S. Chestnut, parcel number 15-04-258-022.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Alderman Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Alderman Paine to approve a Resolution approving a Special Use Permit for a short-term rental property located at 1802 N. Jackson, parcel number 10-33-128-006.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Finance:

Alderman Gerl made a motion, seconded by Alderman Sisson to approve financing \$274,592.66 with Bank and Trust Company for the new ambulance.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Executive Session:

Alderman Sisson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Wright to enter into Executive Session, as allowed under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, as found in Chapter 5 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, Section 120, to address these certain and restricted items:

“The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body...” (5ILCS 120/2(2)(C)(1).

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Executive Session was entered into at 6:45 p.m.

Aldersperson Wright made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Sisson to return to regular session at 7:40 p.m.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson.

Motion carried.

New Business:

Aldersperson Street made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Kellenberger to appoint Mike McGinley of Lewis Brisbois as legal counsel for the City of Litchfield.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Aldersperson Newkirk made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Paine to contract with Joel Laws as City Administrator of the City of Litchfield.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

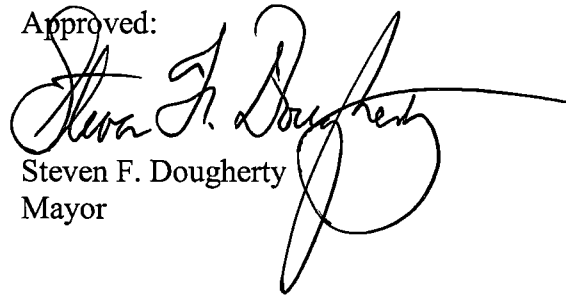
Having no further business, Aldersperson Street made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Kellenberger to adjourn the regular meeting of the Litchfield City Council. The Mayor called for a voice vote, motion carried, and the regular meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Attest:



Carol E. Burke
City Clerk

Approved:



Steven F. Dougherty
Mayor