

City of Litchfield
120 E. Ryder, Litchfield, Illinois
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 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, Dave Hollo, Dan Newkirk, Cassidy Paine, Timothy Wright, and Ray Kellenberger. Absent: Marilyn Sisson, Woodrow Street. The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

Appointment:

Aldersperson Wright made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Gerl to appoint Brayden Helgen to serve as the City's representative on the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation Board.

Other Business:

Aldersperson Gerl made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Newkirk to accept the minutes from the February 16, 2023 meeting.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

Aldersperson Wright made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Paine 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, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Kellenberger.

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

New Business:

Building/Grounds:

Aldersperson Newkirk made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Kellenberger to approve the beautification project provided by a local donor for an amount not to exceed \$26,400 for associated expenditures and to contract Mike Klaves to plant, water, weed and maintain the plantings.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

Administration:

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Gerl to approve the proposal from GovHR USA to perform the city administrator recruitment at a cost not to exceed \$24,500 plus travel expenses (estimated at \$360) and authorize the City Clerk to issue progress payments as spelled out in the proposal.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

Fire:

Aldersperson Hollo made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Newkirk to approve an Ordinance increasing ambulance fees for ambulance transports.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

Building and Zoning:

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Hollo to approve an Ordinance Amending Ordinance #3285, Section 151.020, Subsection G - Demolition and Establishing fees in the City of Litchfield, Montgomery County, Illinois increasing the security bond from \$1,000 to \$10,000 for non-residential projects.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Wright to approve an Ordinance Amending Ordinance #2831, Section 150.007, Definitions in the City of Litchfield, adding 3 definitions for Tourist Home, Bed and Breakfast and Short-term rental.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Hollo to approve the Downtown Façade Grant application submitted by Jessica Vickery of Chapps, for the property located at 119 W. Edwards, for an amount not to exceed \$3,975 contingent upon the Building Department granting final approval of material used and work completed and authorize the City Clerk to issue a check.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

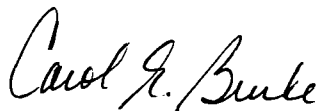
Nay: None.

Absent: Sisson, Street.

Motion carried.

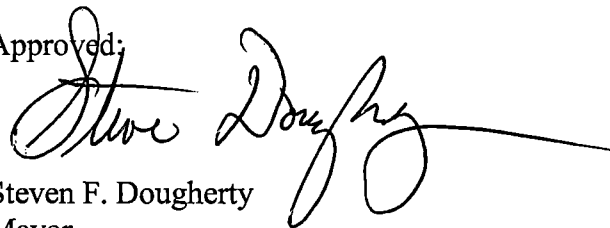
Having no further business, Alderperson Gerl made a motion, seconded by Alderperson Kellenberger to adjourn the regular meeting of the Litchfield City Council. The Mayor called for a voice vote, motion carried, and the regular meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Attest:



Carol E. Burke
City Clerk

Approved:



Steven F. Dougherty
Mayor