

City of Litchfield
120 E. Ryder, Litchfield, Illinois
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 4, 2022

The meeting was offered remotely due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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 (remote), Cassidy Paine, Timothy Wright, Woodrow Street and Ray Kellenberger. The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

Public Participation:

Julie Abel addressed the Council regarding the food truck license ordinance being considered by the Council. Jim Timpe then shared the results of a survey developed by the Litchfield Chamber of Commerce.

Other Business:

Alderman Wright made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gerl to accept the minutes from the July 7, 2022 meeting.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Alderman Gerl made a motion, seconded by Alderman Sisson 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.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Lake:

Alderman Hollo made a motion, seconded by Alderman Street to approve an Ordinance establishing a 35 mile per hour speed limit for Yaeger Lake Trail, between Park Road and Lindenwood Drive, and to place signage upon the roadway.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Tourism:

Alderson Sisson made a motion, seconded by Alderson Gerl to to approve agreements in regard to the Great Rivers & Routes Tourism Bureau DCEO Route 66 grant for the placement of a mural and monument in Litchfield:

- 1) "Six on Illinois Route 66" Interactive Monument Legal Agreement
- 2) Indemnity/Hold Harmless Agreement with Litchfield National Bank

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Economic Development:

Alderson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Alderson Gerl to approve the proposal from Systemax for the I-55 Commerce Center Brand Development and Property Marketing Material for an amount not to exceed \$6,840 and authorize the City Clerk to cut the checks for deposit and final payment.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Fire:

Alderson Street made a motion, seconded by Alderson Hollo to approve the purchase of four (4) sets of Super Deluxe Armor Personal Protective Equipment, commonly referred to as Bunker Gear, for structural firefighting from Dinges Fire Company at a cost not to exceed \$11,835.60 and authorize the City Clerk to issue a check upon satisfactory delivery. Alderson Wright inquired of Chief Holomy if he had requested a bid from a particular local vendor. Chief Holomy responded that he had not. City Attorney Hantla added that bids are not required at this spending threshold although three were provided. Alderson Street stated that the Council had not given previous direction regarding this vendor.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

Aye: Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Street.

Nay: Gerl, Sisson, Wright, Kellenberger.

Mayor Dougherty voted aye.

Motion carried.

Administration:

Alderson Street made a motion, seconded by Alderson Hollo to approve an Ordinance Adopting the Food Truck License and Application for the City of Litchfield, Montgomery County, Illinois. Mayor Dougherty explained that this Ordinance was an effort to monitor food trucks in the City and verify that there is compliance with the health department. Alderson Street asked City Attorney Hantla if there was an ordinance in the book disallowing service

trucks from parking in driveways. After researching, Hantla responded that there was nothing in the books that prohibited this.

Alderson Street moved to amend the motion, seconded by Alderson Hollo to remove the requirement that food trucks be stored in an enclosed garage or enclosed structure.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote on amending the motion.

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

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

After some discussion regarding the time required to register before an event, Alderson Gerl moved to amend the motion, seconded by Alderson Wright to change the required registration to 24 business hours prior to start time.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote on amending the motion.

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

Nay: Hollo, Newkirk.

Motion carried.

Discussion then took place regarding the registration and annual food truck fees. Alderson Street moved to amend the motion, seconded by Alderson Gerl to change the annual registration fee to \$150 for all food trucks and remove the per event fee.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

The Mayor then directed a roll call vote to approve an Ordinance Adopting the Food Truck License and Application for the City of Litchfield, Montgomery County, Illinois with the amendments.

The Mayor directed a roll call vote.

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

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Executive Session:

Alderson Wright made a motion, seconded by Alderson Hollo 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:

1. "The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body..." (5ILCS 120/2(2)(C)(1).
2. "Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees." (5ILCS 120/2(C)(2))
3. "The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body." (5ILCS 120/2(2)(6))

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 7:16 p.m.


Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Street to return to open session at 8:16 p.m.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, Wright, Street, Kellenberger.
Nay: None.
Motion carried.

New Business

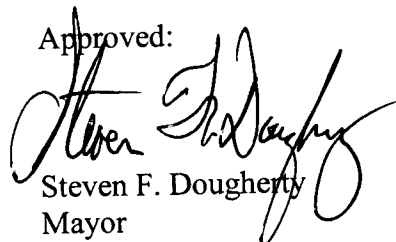
Aldersperson Kellenberger made a motion, seconded by Aldersperson Street to accept the bid of \$3,100 from Robert Allen for the property known at 411 W. Sargent Street contingent upon starting construction within 24 months.
The Mayor directed a roll call vote.
Aye: Gerl, Sisson, Hollo, Newkirk, Paine, 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 8:18 p.m.

Attest:


Carol E. Burke
City Clerk

Approved:


Steven F. Dougherty
Mayor