

**Lee Town Council  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes  
May 7, 2019**

Mayor: James E. Bell  
Council President: Dianne Beck  
Council: Ronnie Bass, Erika Robinson, Edwin McMullen  
Town Manager/Clerk: John Anderson  
Attorney: Ernest Page  
County Commissioner: Rick Davis, absent  
Absent: Shirley von Roden

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order.

**Amend or Update Agenda.**

Town Manager, John Anderson, advised an amendment be made to the Agenda to change the name in item 1 of New Business from SmartLink to ESE Networks.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item:**

A motion to amend the agenda with the corrected name of ESE Networks in item 1 of New Business was made by Council President Beck. Councilwoman Robinson seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.
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The Minutes for the April 2, 2019 Regular Council Meeting were reviewed by the Council.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item:**

A motion to accept the minutes as printed for the April 2, 2019 Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilman McMullen. Councilwoman Robinson seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.
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**Public Comments:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

1. Todd Bateman and Randy Brightman, representing ESE Networks, presented their company's proposal to provide a high-speed internet service to the community using small antennas placed on the water tower located by the Lee Town Hall. This proposal is also being presented to the cities of Madison and Greenville to include the water towers located there. ESE Networks would then present their plans to MCDC for their approval.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item:**

A motion to approve proceeding with the proposal from ESE Networks to place antennas on the Town's water tower pending final approval from MCDC was made by Councilman McMullen. Council President Beck seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

2. Pat Doyle, a resident of the Town of Lee, presented a request to set up a site, on land he owns on the corner of Farm Rd and Corinth Church Road, with connections to accommodate four(4) recreational vehicles or campers for a site specific stay period.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item:**

A motion to approve the request from Pat Doyle, under special exceptions in an Agricultural zoned area (Section 4.3.5 under Agricultural) with restrictions on the length of time(not to exceed 6 months) allowed per camper, was made by Councilman Bass. Council President Beck seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

3. Approval for the transfer of property along SE Lee School Avenue from Mayor Bell to the Town of Lee was presented to the Council. A proposed selling price of ten dollars (\$10.00) was offered to the Town of Lee.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item:**

A motion for the Town of Lee to purchase the property for ten dollars (\$10.00) was made by Councilwoman Robinson. Council President Beck seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Reports**

**Fire Department:**

Volunteer Fire Chief, Leroy Rutherford, presented the report.

1. The Lee Volunteer Fire Department responded to 2 calls, one assist on Hickory Road and one medical call.
  2. Six volunteers have completed an EMR class.
  3. The Fire Department has received new radios from a grant through the county.
- There was no water usage in April by the Fire Dept.

**Town Manager:**

1. Shirley von Roden may be out for the meeting in June, requesting permission to be excused.

**Action Item:**

A motion to excuse Shirley von Roden from the next meeting was made by Council President Beck. Councilwoman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

2. We are waiting for repairs on 2 pumps and delivery of 1 new pump for Lift Station # 3.
3. The Town has been contacted by Bob Fair concerning a possible location for a cell tower to be placed in the Town of Lee for AT&T. He will submit his findings to AT&T and follow up with the Town on any proposal for a site.
4. We had four new utility accounts opened in April and one account closed.
5. All five council members and the Town Manager attended the Ethics Training held in Madison on April 25<sup>TH</sup>.
6. There will be a SRLC Board and Membership meeting to be held in Williston on Thursday, June 20, 2019.
7. The State of Florida's license-free fishing day will be June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Council approved allowing fishing for both days at Lake Brittany.
8. John Anderson, Town Manager, will be out the week of May 13, 2019.
9. A reminder of the Kyle Petty Charity Ride's scheduled stop taking place at Love's this Friday, May 10, 2019.

**Bills:**

Utility: **#2695-2710; ACH #396-399**  
 Utility Deposit Account: **Check#1541**  
 Debt Service Account: **No Activity**  
 General: **#8630-8646; ACH #976-985, EFT #0401 to 0417**

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item:**

A motion to pay the bills was made by Council President Beck. Councilman McMullen seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Attorney Ernest Page:** No comments

**Rick Davis, County Commissioner:** Absent

**Council Member Comments:**

Councilman Bass: There has been some concern over tree growth in the way, on the corner of Peachtree at the stop sign, making it difficult to see oncoming traffic. Please check this area to avoid any obstruction with visibility.

Council President Beck: None

Councilwoman Robinson: None

Councilwoman von Roden: Absent

Councilman McMullen: None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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James Bell, Mayor

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sona Hayslett, Deputy Clerk