**Lee Town Council**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**August 3, 2021**

Mayor: James E. Bell

Council President: Joyce Bethea - Absent

Council: Edwin McMullen, Dianne Beck, Ronnie Bass

Town Manager/Clerk: Sona Hayslett

Attorney: Rhett Bullard

County Commissioner: Brian Williams - Absent

Absent: Erika Robinson

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order.

**Amend or Update Agenda**

Council reviewed the agenda.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to accept the agenda was made by Councilwoman Beck. Councilman McMullen seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Minutes for the July 6, 2021 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 July 6, 2021 Council Meeting was made by Councilman McMullen. Councilman Bass seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Public Comments:**

**Old Business:**

1. The Council reviewed the updated list of Past Due accounts. We will continue to monitor the past due accounts.

2. There was discussion about complaints and requests regarding chickens. A draft for an ordinance pertaining to fowl will be presented at the next regular Town Council meeting.

**New Business:**

1. Renee Demps, Madison County Planner, discussed the proposal she provided as an independent contractor for Planning and Zoning.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to accept the proposal from Renee Demps to help with the Planning and Zoning was made by Councilwoman Beck. Councilman McMullen seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

2. There was discussion on if Council would want to approve letters to residents pertaining to the Clean Town Ordinance and also what guidelines and expectations for the Code Enforcement Officer are. At this time there was no clarification.

3. After some discussion the Budget Workshop is scheduled for 08/17/2021 at 6:30 p.m. The First Budget hearing is scheduled for 09/07/2021 and the second hearing will be scheduled the week of September 20th. Discussion was also made on the millage rate being 7% for 2021 -2022.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to accept the millage rate at 7% for 2021 - 2022 was made by Councilman McMullen. Councilman Bass seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Fire Department:**

None

**Town Manager:**

1. A resident wants to know if we can have a fishing day for the Senior Citizens only.

2. The McMullen buildings are in bad shape and needs to be repaired.

3. AT&T has started installation. They will be online in 2 months or less.

Bills:

 Utility: **#3121-3135; ACH #512-517; EFT 0701 - 0703**

 Utility Deposit Account: **#1581**

 Debt Service Account: **EFT-11 Pay DEP-SRF**

General: **#9112-9123; ACH #1307-1321 EFT#0701 – 0710**

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

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

**Attorney Rhett Bullard:** None

**County Commissioner Brian Williams:** Absent

**Council Member Comments**:

Councilman Bass: None

Councilwoman Beck: None

Councilwoman Robinson: Absent

Council President Bethea: Absent

Councilman McMullen: None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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James Bell, Mayor

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 Trisha Burke, Deputy Clerk