**Lee Town Council**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**March 5, 2024**

Mayor: James Ruzicka

Council President: Ronnie Bass

Council: Edwin McMullen, Lloyd Burke, & Ken Szostek

Town Manager/Clerk: Sona Hayslett

Attorney: Rhett Bullard

County Commissioner: Brian Williams

Absent: Joyce Bethea

Mayor Ruzicka 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 Councilman Szostek. Councilman Burke seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Minutes for the February 6, 2024 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 February 6, 2024 Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilman Szostek. Councilman McMullen seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Minutes for the February 12, 2024 Emergency Special Meeting were reviewed by the Council.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to accept the minutes as printed for the February 12, 2024 Emergency Special Meeting was made by Councilman Szostek. Councilman Burke seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Public Comments:**

None

**Old Business:**

1. The Council reviewed the updated list of Past Due accounts.

2. Renee Demps, Lee Planning Consultant, monthly reports were reviewed.

**New Business:**

1. Billy Washington presented the amended Interlocal Agreement concerning small County Surtax.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to accept the amended Interlocal Agreement was made by Council President Bass. Councilman Szostek seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

2. Discussion was made on the Memorandum of Agreement to document the terms and conditions of the implementation of the Rural Area of Opportunity. James Ruzicka and Sona Hayslett are designated to sit on the board.

3. Discussion was made on fixing or tearing down the accessory buildings around the McMullen Cabin. The decision was tabled so that those that donated the buildings can be contacted.

4. There was discussion on the noise ordinance. Town Manager, Sona Hayslett, and the Town’s attorney, Rhett Bullard, will draw up a draft for the council to review.

5. Discussion was made about the LDR needing to be completed. Town Manager, Sona Hayslett, will get with Planning and Zoning, Renee Demps, to draw up a draft for council to review.

**Fire Department:**

None

**Town Manager:**

1. We did receive our new tractor and mowers.

2. We received some funding for the water rehab.

3. Florida Rural Water will be funding a lead pipe survey.

Bills:

Utility: **#3592 - 3602; ACH #659 - 660; EFT #0201U**

Utility Deposit Account: **1647**

Debt Service Account: **NONE**

General: **#9727 - 9752; ACH #1696 - 1707; EFT#0201 - 0214**

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to pay the bills was made by Councilman Szostek. Councilman Burke seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Attorney Rhett Bullard:** None

**County Commissioner Brian Williams:** Discussed the grants being awarded for rehab, fire station on Dale Leslie, a facility at the Industrial Park, etc. Discussed about the information the county needs for Corinth Church Road. Spoke about the Clean up Madison County event going on March 18, 2024 – March 23, 2024.

**Council Member Comments**:

Councilman Bass: The sidewalks inside the city limits need to be cleaned up.

Councilman Burke: None

Councilman Szostek: None

Council President Bethea: Absent

Councilman McMullen: None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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James Ruzicka, Mayor

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Trisha Burke, Deputy Clerk