**MINUTES**

**LA GRANGE CITY COUNCIL**

**DECEMBER 4, 2023**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER** Mayor Black calls meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT** Mayor Black and Stephanie Cooper, City Clerk

Beach Craigmyle, City Attorney

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT** Bill Lammlein, Trey Kamer, Joe Davenport, Debbie Pollard (Zoom), Andrea Essenpreis, Elsie Carter and Laura Taylor were present. Kevin Cronin was absent.

**APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2023 AGENDA** Councilman Kamer made motion to approve December agenda, second by Councilwoman Essenpreis. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 6, 2023, CITY COUNCIL MEETING** Councilwoman Carter made motion to approve November 6, 2023 City Council minutes, second by Councilman Davenport. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

**CITY ADMINISTRATION**

A. PAYABLES – Councilman Davenport made motion to approve payables, second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

B. FINANCIAL REPORT TRIAL BALANCES – Councilman Davenport made motion to approve, second by Councilman Kamer. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

C. BANK BALANCES AND INVESTMENT REPORT – Councilman Davenport made motion to approve, second by Councilman Kamer. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Kyle Crady, Boy Scout #167, working towards Eagle Scout and dog tag on each flagpole for fallen veterans. Lee Crawford 10 principles of life.

**MAIN STREET DIRECTOR’S REPORT – TERESA BOLING** Teresa Boling presented a monthly report on past and present events.

**TOURISM COMMISSION REPORT**  Donna Sabo presented a monthly report.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

SCOT TREECE – LA GRANGE UTILITIES – Councilman Kamer made motion to approve report, second by Councilman Davenport. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

COREY RUSNAK – PUBLIC WORKS – Light Up La Grange; Springs Park Phase 2; basketball court in Springs Park

CHIEF COLLETT – LA GRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT – November activity report

STEPHEN HALL – PARKS AND RECREATION – City Council meetings will be live stream on YouTube, permit for dock at Wilborn Park

STEPHANIE WENTHER – CODE ENFORCEMENT – violations for November; Code Enforcement Board

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE 17-2023 FOR FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO RELEASE OF LIGHTER THAN AIR OBJECTS**

Beach Craigmyle, City Attorney, summarized Ordinance 17-2023 for first reading.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE 20-2023 FOR FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING REGULATIONS RELATING TO SHORT TERM RENTAL PROPERTY** Beach Craigmyle, City Attorney, summarized Ordinance 20-2023 for first reading.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT** – TREY KAMER – 309 West Main Street project, demolition of interior; Councilman Kamer shown City Council visual posters of the new Eagle Creek clubhouse; next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Community Center/City Hall.

B. **BUDGET REPORT** – JOE DAVENPORT – Councilman Kamer made motion to approve the new Eagle Creek clubhouse up to $4 million, second by Councilman Lammlein. Mayor Black does a roll call vote: Taylor-no, Kamer-yes, Davenport-yes, Carter-no, Essenpreis-yes, Pollard-yes and Lammlein-yes. The vote passed 5-yes to 2-no. Councilman Lammlein made motion to approve Miranda contract for Eagle Creek clubhouse, second by Councilwoman Pollard. Discussion among City Council. Mayor Black does a roll call vote: Taylor-no, Kamer-yes, Davenport-yes, Carter-no, Essenpreis-yes, Pollard-yes and Lammlein-yes. The vote passed 5-yes to 2-no. Next meeting will be Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in Community Center/City Hall.

C. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT** – ANDREA ESSENPREIS – Next meeting will be Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Community Center/City Hall; Agenda will have Valley of Rest cemetery.

D. **STREETS & ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT** – BILL LAMMLEIN – Next meeting will be December 20, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Planting trees Ernie Harris Pkwy; plaque for Stephen Winters and mural at Springs Park.

E. **ORDINANCE REPORT –** ELSIE CARTER –

**PUBLIC COMMENT** None

**OLD BUSINESS** None

**NEW BUSINESS** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES**  Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 3, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURN** Councilman Davenport made motion to adjourn at 9:09 p.m., second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion in favor of passed unanimously, 7 to 0.

 **JOHN BLACK, MAYOR**

ATTEST:

**STEPHANIE COOPER, CITY CLERK**