**MINUTES**

**LA GRANGE CITY COUNCIL**

**NOVEMBER 6, 2023**

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

**CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT** John Black, Mayor and Heather Woodcox, City Clerk. Councilwoman Pollard made motion to approve Heather Woodcox to sit in for Stephanie Cooper, second by Councilwoman Carter. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

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

**APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2023 AGENDA** Councilman Davenport made motion to approve November agenda, second by Councilman Cronin. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 2, 2023, CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Councilwoman Carter made motion to approve October 2, 2023 City Council minutes, second by Councilman Cronin. 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 – Councilwoman Carter made motion to approve financial report, second by Councilman Davenport. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Russ Morris thanked City Council for the use of the pavilion for Farmer’s Market.

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

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

**OLLIE HOWARD, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR VALLEY OF REST CEMETERY**

Discussion on Valley of Rest cemetery operations

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

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

COREY RUSNAK – PUBLIC WORKS – Patrick Schutte did report; completed paving and striping for the year; Springs Park is 50% done; decorating for Light Up La Grange

CHIEF COLLETT – LA GRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT – October activity report; History Center held Day of the Dead; speeding issues; new hire of Justin Harr

STEPHEN HALL – PARKS AND RECREATION – 2 skate nights; senior pickleball league; Christmas movie night; Co-ed volleyball starting February 4, 2024

STEPHANIE WENTHER – CODE ENFORCEMENT – Collection on 3rd quarter for compensation tax; parking in street

**SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE 19-2023 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE OLDHAM COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE RELATING TO SHORT TERM RENTAL PROPERTY** Jim Urban, Director of Oldham County Planning and Development, proposal to repeal and replace section 250.050 of the short-term rental property ordinance in the comprehensive zoning ordinance. Councilwoman Pollard made motion to adopt Ordinance 19-2023, second by Councilman Cronin. Councilwoman Carter made motion to go into public hearing, second by Councilwoman Essenpreis. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0. No comment. Councilman Lammlein made motion to go out of public hearing, second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0. Discussion among City Council. Mayor Black does a roll call vote: Kamer-yes, Cronin-yes, Davenport-yes, Carter-yes, Essenpreis-yes, Pollard-yes and Lammlein-yes. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT** – TREY KAMER – discussed October meeting; Phase 2 of Springs Park; RFP for 309 West Main; RFP for Eagle Creek Golf Course; Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

B. **BUDGET REPORT** – JOE DAVENPORT – Discussed putting green at Eagle Creek Golf Course; discussed lighting at North Oldham Little League; Councilman Davenport made motion to approve the funds of $19,628 from ARPA to build a new dock at Wilborn Park, second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion in favor of passed 6-yes to 1-no *(Carter)*.

C. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT** – ANDREA ESSENPREIS – No meeting in October next meeting will be Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 6 p.m. Mayor Black assigns Ollie Howard, director of Valley of Rest cemetery, to the committee for the issues at cemetery.

D. **STREETS & ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT** – BILL LAMMLEIN – Discussion on alley at 521 West Madison Street. Mayor Black assigns the school property issue of La Grange Elementary to the committee. Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

E. **ORDINANCE REPORT –** ELSIE CARTER – More discussion on the balloon ordinance.

**REAPPOINTMENT OF TAREN WINSKYE FOR THE TOURISM COMMITTEE/TERM EXPIRED 10/4/2023 NEW TERM WILL BE 11/6/2023 THRU 11/6/2025** Councilwoman Pollard made motion to reappointment Taren Winskye, second by Councilman Kamer. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 7 to 0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Paul Gray discussed handwashing facility at La Grange Elementary School.

**OLD BUSINESS** None

**NEW BUSINESS** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES**  Next meeting will be December 4, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURN** Councilwoman Pollard made motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m., second by Councilman Cronin. The motion in favor of passed unanimously, 7 to 0.

**JOHN BLACK, MAYOR**

ATTEST:

**STEPHANIE COOPER, CITY CLERK**