

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the city of Lake Wilson council met December 7, 2023 at 7:00pm. Present are Jolene Johnson, Kindel Nelson, Kyle Carlson, Justin Berreau, Michael Chapman, and Melanie Vander Schaaf.

Mayor Chapman opened the meeting with the reading of the minutes of November 2, 2023 meeting. Motion made by Kindel and seconded by Kyle to approve the minutes as read. All members present voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

There was nothing with the apartments.

The water meters installation needs to be finished shortly.

Maintenance position – Start advertising in January and applications due January 31, 2024. Hope to have the start date for employment as March or April.

The proposed budget and property taxes were discussed. There was a motion made by Justin and seconded by Kindel to accept the initial property tax increase of 10% and the proposed budget. Resolution 2023-8 Adopting the Proposed Tax Levy was included in the motion. All members present voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Fire rates for townships were discussed. Jolene made a motion and Justin seconded to raise the rate by \$20/section to keep up with the surrounding town's rates and to make the payments due by May 15. All members present voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

The 2024 water/sewer rates were discussed. We need to look at the future expenses in the next 5-10 years and make sure we are charging enough. Justin made a motion and Kyle seconded to raise the monthly rate to \$15 and raise the usage over 1000 rate to \$5.50. Non-residents who are on the system will pay \$7.50/1000 usage. Resolution 2023-7 adopting the new rates was passed. All members present voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Resolution 2023-6 Re-establishing the polling precinct was presented. Kindel made a motion and Jolene seconded to adopt the resolution. All members present vote 'aye.' Motion carried.

Liquor license renewal for the Legion was presented. Kindel made a motion and Kyle seconded to renew the licenses for the American Legion. All members present voted 'aye. Motion carried.

The 2024 Law Enforcement Contract with Murray County was presented. The rate will remain the same at \$2,470.00. Jolene made a motion and Kindel seconded to approve the contract. All members present voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

The liability insurance waiver was presented. Jolene made a motion and Kyle seconded to not waive the limit. All members present voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

List of claims were presented for November. Kyle made a motion and Jolene seconded to pay them. All members present voted 'aye.' Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Thursday, January 4, 2024.

There being no other known business before the council, Kindel made the motion to adjourn. Jolene seconded the motion. All members present voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Michael Chapman Mayor

Melanie Vander Sc haaf Clerk

