LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL 11/25/2019

Mayor Freddie Snyder (Part one of the meeting)

Mayor Freddie Snyder called the regular November session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Tuesday, November 25, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. No invocation was given and Ms. Dorothy Vance led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Mr. John Michael ⊠

Ms. Shawn C. Priest

Mr. Chris Runyon ⊠

Mr. Morgan Sheppard ⊠

Mr. Richard Tolle ⊠

Mr. Scott Willey

Also Present: Police Chief Shane Nolley \boxtimes

Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans ⊠

Solicitor Fred Beery

Also attending: Blythe Pelham, Dianna Robertson Fordyce, Rita Smith-Daulton and Kenny Worley.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Chris Runyon moved and Richard Tolle seconded to approve the minutes for the October 17, 2019 regular Council meeting. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.
- b. Council reviewed the bills paid in October 2019. Richard Tolle moved and John Michael seconded the bills be approved. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.
- c. John Michael moved and Richard Tolle seconded to approve the October 2019 Utility Adjustment Report. Roll call vote 3-0. Motion carried

II. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Ms. Blythe Pelham – just observing

Ms. Dianna Robertson Fordyce - just observing

Mrs. Rita Smith Daulton – just observing

Mr. Kenny Worley – informed Council the Leesburg Historical Society received a donation from Valero for \$12,000 which put them over the top of what they needed to receive the full grant. Council congratulated the Historical Society.

III. LEGISLATION: None at this time.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Chris Runyon, of the Finance Committee reported the committee met on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 7:00PM. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss Insurance Plans. After discussion, the committee recommended to go with the HSA plan with a \$3,000/\$6,000 deductible. In addition, the committee suggested to increase the amount the employee pays for their monthly premium, (to be determined) and the committee will increase the amount of bonus they will give each employee that does not utilize the insurance (to be determined).

*Morgan Sheppard moved and Chris Runyon seconded to go with the HSA plan with the \$3,000/\$6,000 deductible. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.

V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Chief Shane Nolley reported for the month of October 2019, there were 324 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-152 regular, 22.5 overtime; Officer Stephens-150 regular, 23.25 overtime; Officer Brady 3 regular, 0 overtime; Officer Dawson-152 regular, 20.25 overtime, Officer Thompson – 88.5 regular, 0 overtime, Officer Wynn-46 regular, 8 overtime. There was 1 Traffic Crash Report, and 23 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 13, Traffic Citations - 12, and Warning Citations - 13. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 – 2017 Police Interceptor – 902 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2005 Ford Explorer – 894 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 1,114 miles driven. Repairs: \$44.00 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- ➤ The Police Department has 100 active case reports.

 The departments total reports received for the month of October 2019 was 23 reports, a decrease of 7 reports from October 2018.
- Requested council keep the same lease rotation with the Police Cruisers and go ahead and order a new cruiser.
 *John Michael moved and Richard Tolle seconded to keep the same rotation
 - and lease a new cruiser. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.
- ➤ Officer Thompson is on leave until April 2020.
- ➤ Officer Jessy Brady resigned effective December 14, 2019.

Report of Utility/Streets Department:

> Administrators report submitted.

Report of Income Tax Administrator Dorothy Vance:

- ➤ Mrs. Vance reported that \$44,537.17 was collected for the month of October 2019.
- ➤ Mrs. Vance informed Council they need to decide by Monday, December 2, 2019 if they wanted to go with RITA for tax collection of the Village. Mrs. Vance was going to call the agency and see if they could schedule a meeting for Monday evening.

Report of Mayor Freddie Snyder:

- ➤ George Phillips case will be finalized on December 18, 2019.
- Thackston case will go to trial on March 27, 2019.

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

- > Passed around monthly reports and credit card statement for Council to sign.
- Presented Council with copies of an interrogation from Thackston's attorney that needed completed.
 - *Chris Runyon moved and John Michael seconded for Shawn Priest to reply to the interrogations from Thackston's attorney with the help of Solicitor Fred Beery. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.
- ➤ Informed Council the project for the Design and Construction of the SR28 Culvert and Headwall for round one of the CDBG was not considered so Council needs to decide if we want to try for round 2. After revamping the project, the cost is now \$379,437.40 with the Village's share being \$58,000.00. *Morgan Sheppard motion to accept the cost changes and to proceed with the project. Motion failed for lack of second.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

➤ Dianna Robertson Fordyce brought up to Council the fact that her utility bills were incorrect again this month and this has happened several times this year. Ms. Fordyce told Council she thinks they need to do something about the Utility Department and the accuracy of the bills.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- ➤ Councilman Morgan Sheppard stated he was resigning from Council in the December meeting. Councilman Sheppard said he is working too many hours with his new job and it is too difficult to be at the meetings and be on time.
- ➤ Chris Runyon moved and Morgan Sheppard seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss discipline in the Utility Department at 8:35 PM. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion passed.
- Council out of Executive Session at 10:39 PM.
- ➤ Councilman Richard Tolle left the meeting at 10:45. Council adjourned due to lack of quorum and rescheduled for Monday or Tuesday evening and will resume the meeting after the RITA presentation.