

LAKEVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
August 18, 2010

I Call to Order

Mayor Dennis Behling called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II Responding to the roll call were Bea Crites, Ken Fortier, Joe Gies, Chuck Birmes and Wayne Meyers.

A. Ald. Bill Svehla had an excused absence.

III APPROVAL –

July Council Meeting Minutes

A. Ald. Crites moved to accept Minutes as presented.

B. Ald. Fortier 2nd the motion.

C. Motion carried

July Financials

A. Ald. Gies moved to accept the records as presented.

B. Motion seconded by Ald. Meyers

C. Motion carried.

IV. Police Report

A. Mayor Behling asked if there were any questions concerning the report, none asked. The Mayor stated that report would be available to the public.

V. Building Inspector Report

A. Mayor Behling asked if there were any questions concerning the report, none asked. The Mayor stated that report would be available to the public.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance 10-9- Procurement Policy – 2nd Reading

1. Ald. Gies made a motion to suspend the rules and to read the Ordinance by Title only.

2. Ald. Fortier seconded the motion

3. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

4. Mayor Behling read the Title of Ordinance 10-09.

B. Maintenance Vehicle – Ordered State Contract

1. Mayor Behling stated after last month's Council Meeting it was pointed out by Ald. Meyers and Chief Manley that perhaps it would be a good idea to check into other options for purchase; this was done and the State offered the best option for purchase of a new vehicle.

2. A Chevrolet Silverado 4x4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ton pickup truck with a Class III hitch and bed liner has been ordered for \$22,236.68.

a. While this is \$736.68 more than the 2008 F250, it is a new vehicle and the funds are adequate to take care of this difference.

b. Mayor Behling addressed another issue, which is the snow plow. We can either obtain brackets (Chevy), which would cost approximately \$2,000. to install the old snow plow (no longer produced) to the new truck or purchase a new snow plow for \$4,850.00.

c. The new plow would be easier to attach to the vehicle, plus being new, would not require the high maintenance that the old plow would cost.

d. This will be revisited next month.

- B. Housing Agreement Baxter County – re: Jail Fees
1. Mayor Behling addressed the articles that have been appearing in the Baxter Bulletin regarding the unpaid jail fees.
 2. The Bulletin published the remarks from Sheriff Montgomery regarding the jail fees, which did not detail the fact that the fees owed by the City of Lakeview were post-sentencing fees only.
 - a. Upon advice from our City Attorney, Roger Morgan and the Municipal League’s legal department the City is not responsible for the post-sentencing fees.
 - b. There is a legal contention regarding the State Statute concerning post-sentencing jail fees, which until resolved, will not be paid by the City.
 - c. The proposal from Sheriff Montgomery lumped *all* jail fees together, essentially by-passing the State Statute. He would not negotiate an agreement which could be considered a “win/win” situation to both entities. This is why the City opted not to take any action on the proposal as presented.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Street Audit- Ken Cotter- Consolidated Land Services
1. The original report stated that there were two streets in poor condition and seven in fair condition.
 - a. One of the streets listed a poor was not in the City, the other, according to Chester, was not in need of repair.
 - b. Of those listed as fair, two were in no need of repair and one (Jordan Lane) per Ald. Gies, also was not in need except to fill cracks.
 - c. This leaves 4 to be done:

Base Bid	Alt.1	Alt. 2
Clark Rd	East Gate Dr	Jordan Ln
Karen Dr		
Hawthorne Pl		
<i>Eng. Est. \$23,000 + \$5,000 + \$10,000</i>		
 - d. Wayne Dr. was omitted from the report in error, but is in good condition.
 - e. The City will ask for bids and based upon bid results, will address those streets which can be repaired with the current budget and those over budget will be figured into next year’s budget.
 2. Mr. Cotter addressed Council with some of the resolutions concerning the street repair, i.e., crack cleaning with herbicides and fill, ditching where possible and widening shoulders of the road.
 - a. With the amount of traffic on City roads, our roads are in good condition and whereas most city standard streets are 20 feet wide, Lakeview’s are acceptable as they are.
 - b. Since there is a question as to what streets are and are not within City limits or no longer dedicated streets, Mr. Cotter suggested contacting the County Surveyor.
- B. Change to Accounting Procedure
1. Mrs. Barton, the Recorder/Treasurer, stated that currently there are nine separate checkbooks and funds.
 - a. Since the General account funds the Police and Park Funds, she stated that she would like to move those itemized accounts to appear under the General Fund.

1. Transfers to these funds currently causes issues with State Audits, as they do not appear on a Profit and Loss report, since transfers are technically *not* income.
 - b. The auditors are specifically interested in tracking State monies, so their primary interest is in the General Fund and Street Fund; these have to be maintained separately.
 - c. For the Court accounts, Mrs. Barton suggested that we go from 4 funds to 3 funds eliminating the Administration of Justice Fund, which currently acts like a clearing account.
 - d. By making these changes it will reduce the number of accounts to 6; it will eliminate the necessity of writing 4 separate checks for tax expenses, etc.
- C. Mayor Behling stated that he will begin to send copies of any correspondence from constituents in the different Wards of the City to the Alderman/Alderwoman that represents that Ward.
1. This will make the Alderman/Alderwoman aware of any issues in their respective ward.
- D. Bull Shoals Library Association sent a Thank You note to the City for the use of the Civic Center for their ice cream social.
- E. Mayor Behling announced the official launching of the City's website as Lakeviewbaxter.com; the web site creation was the result of the Lakeview businesses' meeting held in February.
- F. Mayor Behling notified Council that he will be out of the office Sept. 7 through 14.

VIII. Items from the Floor

None

IX. Adjourn

- A. Ald. Gies motion to adjourn
- B. Ald. Crites Seconded
- C. Motion carried
- D. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM