**Lee Town Council**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**November 5, 2024**

Mayor: James Ruzicka

Council President: Ronnie Bass

Council: Edwin McMullen, Lloyd Burke, & Ken Szostek

Town Manager/Clerk: Sona Hayslett

Attorney: Rhett Bullard

County Commissioner: Brian Williams

Absent: Joyce Bethea & Brian Williams

Mayor Ruzicka called the meeting to order.

**Amend or Update Agenda**

Council reviewed the agenda. Mayor Ruzicka asked to strike Item #2 under new Business and change Item #4 to Item #1.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to amend the agenda to strike Item #2 under new Business and change Item #4 to Item #1 was made by Councilman Szostek. Councilman Burke seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Minutes for the October 1, 2024 Regular Council Meeting were reviewed by the Council.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to accept the minutes as printed for the October 1, 2024 Regular Council Meeting was made by Council President Bass. Councilman Szostek seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Public Comments:**

Bill Eckert – Mr. Eckert, Edge of Town, wants to know what the council discussed about his ice cream business last month. Mr. Eckert, explained that the state told him that the town council refused to give him a license and sent his check back. He was told that the town sent 3 certified letters. The ice cream business has not been discussed and letters have not been sent from the Town of Lee. The Town Attorney, Rhett Bullard, asked Mr. Eckert to give him the contact person with the state so that he can check into it. Mr. Eckert gave a copy of a letter from his attorney. Councilman Burke explained the letter is a problem with permits and the town does not do permits.

Cindy Vees - Explained that she is here to support Edge of Town and they worked hard to build what they have.

**Old Business:**

1. Review past due accounts

**New Business:**

1. Discussion was made on considering a waiver to allow a new mobile home to be placed on parcel 02-1S-10-10472-00A-007 (lot 7 of Lesleywood Subdivision) that is zoned as RSF-1.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to allow a new mobile home to be placed on parcel 02-1S-10-10472-00A-007 (lot 7 of Lesleywood Subdivision) was made by Council President Bass. Councilman Szostek seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

2. Discussion was made on the 2025 Holiday Schedule.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to approve the 2025 Holiday Schedule was made by Councilman Burke. Councilman Szostek seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

3. Discussion was made on having the Forgotten Coast K-9 to be part of 2025 Lee Day to be held in February 2025.

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to approve the Forgotten Coast K-9 to be a part of 2025 Lee Day being held in February of 2025 was made by Councilman Szostek. Councilman McMullen seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

None

**Fire Department:**

None

**Town Manager:**

None

Bills:

Utility: **#3702 - 3716; ACH #689 - 692; EFT #1101U**

Utility Deposit Account: **No Activity**

Debt Service Account: **No Activity**

General: **#9894 - 9916; ACH #1795 - 1806; EFT#1101 - 1108**

**Mayor asked for a vote:**

**Action Item**:

A motion to pay the bills was made by Councilman McMullen. Councilman Szostek seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Attorney Rhett Bullard:**

**County Commissioner Brian Williams:** Absent

**Council Member Comments**:

Council President Bass: None

Councilman Burke: None

Councilman Szostek: None

Councilwoman Bethea: Absent

Councilman McMullen: None

Mayor James Ruzicka: Wanted to know if there was an update on the trees at Ben Blair. Ruzicka also commented that Kristina Gilbert has an interest in event planning for the Town of Lee. This would be a paid task.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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James Ruzicka, Mayor

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Trisha Burke, Deputy Clerk