

LAINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
November 14, 2016

Mayor Culpepper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. Councilman Fredline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Brian Fredline, Marcie Nickols, David Rhodabeck, Larry C. Sparkes Larry L. Sparkes and Micheal Culpepper. Absent: Alan Ducastel.

Public comment – Matt Thingstad commented on the city’s zoning ordinance and police department.

116-16. Moved by L. L. Sparkes seconded by L.C. Sparkes to approve the minutes of October 3, 2016, as presented. Motion carried.

117-16. Moved by L. C. Sparkes, seconded by Fredline to approve the Treasurer’s Report, subject to audit. Motion carried.

118-16. Moved by Fredline, seconded by Rhodabeck to nominate Larry L. Sparkes as Mayor pro-tem (term expiring 11/2018). Being there were no further nominations, the council closed the nominations and a roll call vote followed (Yeas: Fredline, Nickols, Rhodabeck L. C. Sparkes, L.L. Sparkes and Culpepper; Nays: none; Absent Ducastel), the motion carried, electing Larry L. Sparkes as Mayor pro-tem.

119.16. Moved by L.L. Sparkes, seconded by Rhodabeck to enter into an Agreement with NuSystems LLC, in the amount of \$23,777 for Lagoon Maintenance and Restoration Program, this comes as a recommendation from the DPW Committee. Yeas: Fredline, Nickols, Rhodabeck L. C. Sparkes, L.L. Sparkes and Culpepper; Nays: none; Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

120-16. Moved by L. C. Sparkes, seconded by Fredline to close Grand River Road from S. Laing Street to High Street and Crum Street from N. Laing to Grand River Road and S. Woodhull Street from Williams Street to Grand River Road on Saturday, December 3, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. for the LBCA Winterfest. Yeas: Fredline, Nickols, Rhodabeck L. C. Sparkes, L.L. Sparkes and Culpepper; Nays: none; Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

The proposed Cemetery Ordinance was distributed for the City Council to review. Staff would appreciate feedback on any needed changes.

- 121-16. Moved by L. L. Sparkes, seconded by Rhodabeck to appoint Rob Frank as Sexton of the Laingsburg Cemetery. Yeas: Fredline, Nickols, Rhodabeck L. C. Sparkes, L.L. Sparkes and Culpepper; Nays: none; Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.
- 122-16. Moved by Rhodabeck seconded by L. C. Sparkes to increase foundation rates from \$30 per square foot to \$50 per square foot, effective January 1, 2017, as recommended by the Laingsburg Cemetery Board. Yeas: Fredline, Nickols, Rhodabeck L. C. Sparkes, L.L. Sparkes and Culpepper; Nays: none; Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.
- 123-16. Resolved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Fredline to adopt the Annual Exemption Option Set Forth in 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act;

WHEREAS, 2011 Public Act 152 (the “Act”) was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act;

WHEREAS, the three options are as follows:

- 1) Section 3 “Hard Caps” Option – limits a public employer’s total annual healthcare cost for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
- 2) Section 4 – “80%/20%” Option – limits a public employer’s share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option required an annual majority vote of the governing body;
- 3) Section 8 – “Exemption” Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by an annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

WHEREAS, the Laingsburg City Council has decided to adopt the annual Exemptions option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City Council of the City of Laingsburg elects to comply with the requirements of 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly funded Health Insurance

Contribution Act, by adopting the annual Exemption option for the medical benefit plan cover year January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Fredline, Nickols, Rhodabeck L. C. Sparkes, L.L. Sparkes and Culpepper;
Nays: None
Absent: Ducastel

Resolution declared adopted.

124-16. Moved by L.C. Sparkes, seconded by Rhodabeck to direct the City assessor to prepare a special assessment roll for any properties delinquent in paying any debt owed to the City. Yeas: Fredline, Nickols, Rhodabeck L. C. Sparkes, L.L. Sparkes and Culpepper; Nays: none; Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

125-16. Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Fredline to pay the bills in the amount of \$126,762.99, General Fund checks #38978– 39064. Also electronic payments of EFPTS \$6,227.13 - Federal withholding, Social Security and Medicare, also MERS – \$1,307.13 for October. Motion carried.

The mayor announced his committee appointments for the next two years and lists were distributed to Council members.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Lana Kaiser
Clerk

Micheal Culpepper
Mayor