

Public Meeting Minutes for November 18, 2024

Subject: Public Hearings & Employees

In attendance were Mayor Kris Semisch, Councilmembers Kyle Hrabe, Kyle Combs, Harley Laughlin, Hank Boucher and Michelle Bryant. City Clerk/Manager Jodie Laidler, and Assistant Clerk/Code Geri Ebersohl. Jeff Rivers and Jamie Vaughn were also present.

Mayor Semisch opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. She gave instructions for the Public Hearings.

Public Hearing for Properties:

Jeff Rivers approached the governing body, asking for additional time. The council addressed the importance of communication and how to communicate appropriately with city staff. Jeff said he now understands the entire procedure and will continue to speak and understand. As the council reiterated, Jodie is just doing her job, and harassment would not be tolerated. A Resolution will be adopted on December 2, 2024. The Resolution will state that Jeff Rivers is allowed until spring to complete his house to become compliant and will check in with progress updates every 30 days. It will also state that Jeff Rivers is responsible for reconnecting and all fees for the utilities needed for the house. Kyle Hrabe made a motion for the Resolution and the conditions. Michelle Bryant 2nd. Motion carried 5-0.

Matt Crissup, Shane Endicott, Larry (Eli) Brown, Sharon and Jerry Keeler, and Linda Easum failed to appear for their Public Hearings. The Council agreed to have Resolutions ready and provided at the December 2, 2024, meeting to be adopted.

Russell Leffew addressed the council, wanting to return to the Leon Police Department for part-time status. Council asked a couple of questions and thanked him for his time.

Kyle Hrabe requested an executive session for non-elected personnel, requesting 10 minutes—Harley Laughlin 2nd. Time is 7:44.

Time back in session 7:55. Kyle Combs made a motion to offer Russell Leffew a 60-day probationary period to be evaluated for further employment at the end of that time. Harley Laughlin 2nd. Motion carried 5-0. Harley Laughlin made a motion to pay Russell \$13 an hour. Kyle Combs 2nd. Motion carried 5-0. Kyle Hrabe made a motion to increase Jodie Laidler to \$24 an hour. Harley Laughlin 2nd. Motion carried 5-0.

Kyle Combs would like to discuss having an International Code and check into hiring an inspector to do that. A work session will be set at a later date.

Harley made a motion to adjourn, and Michelle Bryant 2nd. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm