**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF WALHALLA CITY COUNCIL**

**MEETING MONDAY AUGUST 2, 2021**

Mayor Belanus called the regular meeting of the Walhalla City Council to order, 7:00 P.M., Monday, August 2, 2021 at city hall.

Aldermen Present: Raela Kalis, Leeroy Carpenter, LaRae Horgan, Myrna Styles, Karen Dumas & Larry Schill

Aldermen Absent:

Others Present: Jake Romfo, Steve Gapp and Larry Dubois

Motion by Schill to approve the regular minutes of July 6, 2021. Second by Kalis. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Styles to close out Clinic Fund and transfer to General Reserve Fund, close out Fire Truck Fund and transfer to General Reserve Fund and combine Garbage and Garbage Equipment into one fund. Second by Dumas. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Kalis to approve the financial report. Second by Dumas. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Dumas to approve liquor license transfer of Jackson’s Bar to Legion on September 11, 2021. Second by Kalis. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Letter from Walhalla Fire Department Gaming Board with a check for half of the amount to purchase a fire engine. The funds were from the gaming site at Jackson’s Bar. These funds are committed to reduce the burden of the Fire Department.

Letter from Russell Smith requesting to raise pigeons on his property. This was tabled until the council is able to determine further information from Mr. Smith.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**:

**Municipal Services, Building Permits, Streets, & Alleys**: Motion by Schill to approve building permit for Chris Jackson. Second by Horgan. Ayes, all. Motion passed. Motion by Schill to purchase a pump for the main lift station for up to $5,000.00. Second by Styles. Roll call vote: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Styles, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed. Motion by Schill to have site survey and preliminary engineering design done on lagoon project with a cap of $7,500.00. Second by Dumas. Roll call vote: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Styles, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed.

**Police, Fire and Traffic**: Nothing to report.

**Financial & Economic Development, Development Corp**: Nothing to report.

**Board of Health, City Buildings & Recreation**: Nothing to report.

Motion by Dumas to pay all bills as presented. Second by Kalis. Roll call vote: Mrs. Kalis, yes; Mr. Carpenter, yes; Mrs. Horgan, yes; Mrs. Styles, yes; Mrs. Dumas, yes; Mr. Schill, yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Dubois verified to the council that the property tax exemption for Letexier Properties would be for improvements only and for a length of three years.

Motion by Schill to accept the 2nd reading of ordinance 2021-01. Second by Horgan. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Horgan to accept the 2nd reading of ordinance 2021-02. Second by Schill. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Horgan to amend the ordinance of minor in possession to an infraction. Second by Styles. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Horgan to make flushing of the water lines a requirement for public health. Second by Kalis. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Dumas to appoint the city auditor, Melissa Gapp, the Flood Plain Administrator. Second by Horgan. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Horgan to approve the preliminary budget for 2022. Second by Styles. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Cafeteria plan discussed. Motion by Horgan to dissolve the cafeteria plan and make current cafeteria plan benefit pay part of the regular salaries for those employees using the plan. Second by Schill. Roll call vote: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Styles, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Dumas to adjourn the meeting. Second by Kalis. Ayes, all. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Michael Belanus\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Melissa Gapp\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Auditor

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