## Linden Town Board Meeting November 14 2023

Roll Call: Present Town Board President Wade Bennett, Town Board Member Paul Buckles, Town Board Member Dennis J. Charleston, Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide

Town of Linden regular monthly meeting called to order by Town Board President Wade Bennett at 7:00pm

Town Board President Wade Bennett introduced Ordinance 2023-7 Increase Utility Service Disconnection Fee for 1<sup>st</sup> reading and read aloud. Public notice will be placed in the local newspapers, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption will be December 19 meeting 7pm.

Town Board President Wade Bennett introduced 2024 Salary Ordinance 2023-6 for 1<sup>st</sup> reading, and read aloud; 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption will be December 19 meeting 7pm

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented Ordinance 2023-5, read aloud and requested to suspend the rules and proceed with 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoptions. After discussion, Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance 2023-5; Town Board Member Dennis Charleston 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide requested to hire CPA Steve Brock to complete a water rate study and create a utility policy & procedure manual. After discussion, Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to hire CPA Steve Brock; Town Board Member Dennis Charleston 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries.

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide discussed the LEAP water pipeline issue. Town Board President Wade Bennett reported this has also been a discussion among the Montgomery County Officials.

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported completing the water tank project design plan meeting with Banning Engineering and Electrician. No need for any electrical upgrade and will change the chlorine system to an updated salt system, a design should be available for the December 19 meeting to review

Linden Town Marshall Mike Taylor reported the Flock Camera system is ready and state permit should be completed by end of December.

Linden Town Marshall Mike Taylor reported Waveland has receive police vehicle quote

Linden Town Marshall Mike Taylor submitted monthly report, board reviewed and signed

Town Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide reported D&D Trash will observe Thanksgiving Holiday and Christmas Holiday and no trash will be picked up, the notice will be placed on the utility billing statement and the website. This year 2023 Christmas Holiday is on a Monday we ask residents to please plan accordingly.

Linden Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide reported SBOA will require Town Board Members to document bank statement reconciliation reviewed. Board discussed

Linden Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted meeting minutes for Board Member signature. Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to sign and accept October 24, 2023 meeting minutes; Town Board Member Dennis Charleston 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Linden Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted voucher register and 3 additional claims for \$100,000.00 transfer from water operating fund to water tower operating fund, 2023 park board members pay, and 2023 extra pay for utility clerk, utility superintendent and town marshal, for Board Members signature. Board reviewed. Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign voucher register and additional claims; Town Board Member Dennis Charleston 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Town Board Member Paul Buckles made motion to adjourn. Town Board President Wade Bennett 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries, adjourn meeting 7:45pm

Lir	nden Town Board Members actio	n:
Town Board Member Name	Yea	Nay
Wade Bennett		
Paul Buckles		
Dennis J Charleston	17 1	
Attested by: Janet Heide, Clerk-Treasurer		