



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 7, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S. East Street with all council members present at roll call except Rick Kline, Kyle Merkle and Greg Steffen.

Staff members present were Dean Buhrke, Chief Williamson, Officer Taylor, Officer King, Eddy Allen, and Vicki Moreland.

Brad Smith spoke to the council regarding an incident at his Barber Shop in which a patron had parked against traffic to be able to access the entrance better due to physical limitations. A Police officer stopped in and stated that he had parked illegally. Brad felt that under the circumstances the situation could have been overlooked or handled differently.

Included on the consent agenda were meeting minutes from July 17, 2017, invoices from August 7, 2017 in the amount of \$147,978.16, payroll expenses for the period of July 21, 2017 totaling \$49,871.08 and August 4, 2017 totaling \$44,273.05. Motion was made by Hilary and seconded by Glenn for approval of the consent agenda. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Brad Poindexter-abstain, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Hilary Neal-yes. Motion carried 4 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

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During staff reports Dean Buhrke informed the council that the crack seal had been completed. They were in the process of cutting trees and Mc Lean County Asphalt would begin overlay of the roads on Wednesday. He stated that he had changed some of the roads that were planned for overlay.

Code Compliance Officer Brian Taylor addressed the council regarding questions he had received regarding his addressing of code violations. He stated that he addresses violations as he sees them while on patrol and does not go looking for them. When he receives complaints he addresses the situation immediately. Some get overlooked as there are new violations occurring daily. He stated that he does not have his ICC certifications yet but was preparing for testing which would take time. He asked that anyone with questions contact him.

Motion was made by Dawn and was seconded by Brad for approval of Contractors bid from Opperman Construction Co., totaling \$72,820.00 for the Gilmore Lift Station Replacement project. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Hilary Neal-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Glenn and seconded by Hilary for approval of the loan up to \$275,000 to renovate the new Police Department at 108

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S. East Street with the provision that loan rates of both local banks are reviewed and accept the lowest rate. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, BradPoindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Hilary Neal-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays.

Regarding the approval of the loan, Ron asked that as plans are being developed he would like to have some attention paid to the design such that if someone came along and offered us money to sell and we decided to incorporate City Hall function over there that could be done without having to redo everything.

Council entered discussion regarding the sale of rock by the City. Dean Buhrke, Street Superintendent feels that the City should not be in the business of selling rock. After discussion, Motion was made by Hilary and seconded by Glenn for the City to continue the sale of rock to Le Roy Citizens. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-no, Hilary Neal-yes. Motion carried 4 yeas, 1 nay.

Mayor Dean stated that he would like to see the system of selling rock reviewed to see what price to sell the rock for. Council members agreed.

In Old and New Business Hilary asked about the speed limit of the downtown area and surrounding area.

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Mayor Dean stated the City's position regarding control over the Fall Festival was limited to the approval of the use of City Streets and making sure that fire lanes were open. He said anyone with issues regarding the festival needed to deal with the Fall Festival Committee.

Motion was made by Hilary and seconded by Brad to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:34 PM. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Hilary Neal-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays.



Vicki Moreland
City Clerk,
City of Le Roy