



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S. East Street by Mayor Dean with council members Dawn Hanafin, Kyle Merkle, Kelly Lay, Ron Legner, and Greg Steffen present at roll call. Absent were council members Rick Kline, Matt Steffen and Brad Poindexter.

Staff members present were Chief Williamson, Scott Bryant, John Monical, Danny Lush, Samantha Walley and Vicki Moreland.

Bill Friedrich, County Board Representative from District 2, was present to introduce himself and offer his assistance with any concerns the City may have.

Included on the consent agenda were Meeting Minutes and Special Projects Committee Minutes from August 19, 2019, Invoices from September 3, 2019 in the amount of \$318,485.03 and payroll expenses from August 30, 2019 in the amount of \$42,612.57. Motion was made by Greg and seconded by Kyle for approval of the consent agenda. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-abstain, Kyle Merkle-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 3 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstain.

John Monical was present to report on the water plant operations and stated that he "didn't know everything". He also stated that there was a water main break at Rt. 150 and Elm Street that would be looked at the following day.

Motion was made by Greg and seconded by Kelly for approval of the acceptance of 607 N. Allen Street property appraisal, declaration of property as surplus, and initiation of public bidding at a minimum price of

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\$6,800.00. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Dawn and seconded by Kyle selecting Bernardi Securities as the bond financing firm and Ice Miller as legal counsel for the bond issue for water plant upgrades. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-abstain. Motion carried 4 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Kelly to table the motion for election to bypass bidding/RFP process and utilize Chastain and Associates for 2019 bond project until the full council could be represented. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 4 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Ordinance No. 19-09-09-50, An Ordinance Amending Title 3, Chapter 5 Of The City Of Le Roy Municipal Code (Video Gaming) was passed on a motion made by Kelly and seconded by Kyle. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Greg and seconded by Kyle to table the selection of a security company for installation of security systems at all City of Le Roy building locations. After discussion the council decided to upgrade City Hall's security system and budget for the remaining locations with the next budget year. A vote will be made after obtaining a revised quote for the City Hall location only. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays.

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In Old and New Business Sam stated that there would be a Committee of the Whole scheduled for September 16 at 6:00 PM in regard to the changes to law that Governor Pritzker implemented regarding cannabis and compensatory time.

Also in Old and New Business the IDNR forestry practices regarding Howard Virgin Timber Park will be added to the agenda.

Ron inquired about the ability for water bills to be paid online or automatically withdrawn from their accounts and the fees that would be charged.

Motion to adjourn the regular council meeting at 8:29 PM was made by Greg and seconded by Dawn. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays.



Vicki Moreland
City Clerk,
City of Le Roy