

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 17, 2025**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Dean at 7:06 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S East Street, Le Roy. The council members present were Dawn Hanafin, Patti Welander, Matt Steffen, Kelly Lay, Justin Morfey, Ron Legner, and Kyle Merkle. Sarah Welte was absent.

Staff members present were Dan Lush, Perry Mayer, Jason Williamson, Dave Jenkins, Anita Corso, and Brad Frankovich.

There were no comments from the public.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes for 3/3/2025, invoices from 3/17/2025 totaling \$225,916.06, and payroll for the period of 3/7/2025 in the amount of \$49,382.75.

The items of the consent agenda were voted on separately.

Motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Kyle for approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin -yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-abstain. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Kyle for approval of the invoices and payroll. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin -abstain, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-abstain. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstain.

In Staff Reports Perry reported a service line repair on Washington St, repair of a fitting at the water treatment plant, and work on Well #10 continues.

Jason reported on the liquor compliance checks made. Two locations were found with cameras not in working order. Letters have been sent, and licenses will not be renewed until cameras are working as required. The police website is now part of the City website. He will run an ad for applications for a new officer. Next year's budget should be similar to this year's.

Anita reminded everyone to complete their annual statement of economic interest and email the confirmation to her.

Dave reported that the budget public hearing will be held just before the first meeting in April. He will send out breakdowns for the council's review.

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Motion by Kyle was seconded by Dawn for approval of the Year Two Retail Strategies Consulting Fee extension totaling \$40,000. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin -yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Patti Welander-no, Kelly Lay-no, Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 2 nays.

Motion by Matt was seconded by Kelly for approval of the quote from EA Architecture & Design totaling \$50,200.00 to create a feasibility study to determine the likely extents of renovations, remodeling and restoration required to rehabilitate the "old" City Hall and the adjacent former Church for use as a Community Center. Dave reviewed details about moving City Hall and having a community building. Discussion also included uses, accessibility, event space, and parking. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin -yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion by Kyle was seconded by Matt for approval of the Change Order proposal(s) from J.G. Stewart Contractors, Inc. Dave explained the change to add replacing sidewalks from the High School down Center St to Park St to the football field. It will include 17 ADA curbs. Discussion included financing, future grant possibilities and locations. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin -yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

**ORD NO. 25-03-03-50** AN ORDINANCE REVISING CHAPTER 3-LIQUOR CODE. Justin moved to table the motion for a minimum 30 days pending legal review of the entire chapter for compliance with state liquor regulations. Motion to table was seconded by Kyle. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin -yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes. Motion tabled 7 yeas, 0 nays.

In Old and New Business Ron provided an update on the new well. Initial drilling results are positive. They should be ready for a pump test in about two weeks.

Ron also reported that the lead line replacement loan application is ready for submission to the state.

Mayor Dean said the Birthday Fundraiser was a success and funds are available to purchase 100 saplings for the Arbor Day celebration.

Motion by Matt was seconded by Patti to adjourn the regular council meeting. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin -yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso  
City Clerk