

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD APRIL 21, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Dean at 7:03 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S East Street, Le Roy. The council members present were Patti Welander, Sarah Welte, Matt Steffen, Justin Morfey, Ron Legner, and Kyle Merkle. Dawn Hanafin and Kelly Lay were absent.

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

No public comments were made.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes for 4/7/2025, FY 2025-2026 Budget Public Hearing Meeting Minutes from 4/7/2025, invoices from 4/21/2025 totaling \$435,896.64, and payroll for the period of 4/18/2025 in the amount of \$58,523.47.

The items of the consent agenda were voted on separately.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Sarah for approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes and Budget Hearing Minutes. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-abstain, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Justin for approval of the invoices and payroll. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

No staff reports were given.

Motion by Matt was seconded by Sarah for approval of the Computer Software and Conversion Services proposal from Civic Systems, LLC totaling \$84,641.00. Discussion included the scope of the project and a review of the necessity of replacing the billing and accounting software used at City Hall. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

ORD NO. 25-04-02-70 AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SALE OF E-CIGARETTES AND ALTERNATIVE NICOTINE PRODUCTS WITHIN 700 FEET OF A SCHOOL. Motion to approve by Justin was seconded by Matt. Discussion included how to measure distance and if existing business would be affected by extending the distance. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

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ORD NO. 25-04-03-41 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 5 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF LE ROY, ILLINOIS, REPEALING LONG-TERM SERVICE FEE. Motion to approve by Matt was seconded by Sarah. Dave explained that the project is complete, and the fee is no longer needed. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

ORD NO. 25-04-04-41 AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A SEWER 2016B ALTERNATIVE REVENUE BONDS PAYMENT FEE AND ELIMINATING THE SEWER CAPITAL PROJECTS FEE. Motion to approve by Kyle was seconded by Justin. Dave explained this would change the flat fees currently in place to usage-based fees instead of a flat fee increase. Discussion raised concerns of increased bills for high water users and requested another option. Kyle amended the motion to table this ordinance until the next meeting. Justin agreed. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion tabled 6 yeas, 0 nays.

ORD NO. 25-04-05-42 AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A WATER 2020-2021 ALTERNATIVE REVENUE BONDS FEE AND ELIMINATING THE WATER CAPITAL PROJECTS FEE. Motion to table this until the next meeting for the same reasons previously discussed was made by Kyle and seconded by Sarah. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion tabled 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion to approve the 2025-2026 City of Le Roy FY Budget by Matt was seconded by Kyle. Dave gave a brief overview for those not at the public hearing. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

In Old & New Business Ron gave an update on the lead line replacement funding process.

The Mayor thanked Dave and the department heads for their work on the budget.

Mayor Dean reminded everyone of the upcoming City-Wide Garage Sales, Spring Fling, Arbor Day Event, and the McLean County Health Department Mobile Clinic happening in the next two weeks and that the Bunny Parade was a big success.

Also discussed: Shultz Shoe mural needs maintenance, foxes in town, public ball field would be a nice addition.

Mayor Dean thanked Patti Welander for her service as this was her last council meeting as an alderman.

Motion by Patti was seconded by Matt to adjourn the regular council meeting. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kyle Merkle- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso, City Clerk