

LARUE VILLAGE COUNCIL

September 2015 MINUTES

The La Rue Village Council met in regular session on September 8, 2015 in the Village Council Room. Present was Mayor Milton Lightfoot, Clerk Mary Price, Maintenance Supervisor Mark Heller and Council Members David Stallsmith, Lance Roberts, Cindy Price, John Howard, Melissa Shawver, and Carol Howell. Guests present: Deb Berry, Clarence Greer, Kenny Bookman, Panfil & Jackie Costea, and John Howard.

The Meeting was opened by Mayor Milton Lightfoot with a prayer and a pledge to the American flag.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were approved with a motion by David Stallsmith and a second by John Howard.

The financial report was given and bills presented for payment. John Howard moved to pay the bills with a second by Carol Howell, motion passed.

Mayor – Complaints have been made about people burning at night and if you burn anything other what you're supposed to in a fire ring you need a permit from the fire department. A fire ring is permitted with burning of clean and dry fire wood but no burning of trash.

Issue 1 money is available and Mayor Lightfoot thought the water board could apply for water lines.

BPA – X

Park & Pool – Mayor Lightfoot stated that Lindsay Perez did a great. Only complaint that was heard was about the pool rules maybe not being enforced strict enough. The entrance to the park needs to be repaired again.

Sheriff – X

Maintenance – The mower was having some issues and has been fixed. The garage door on the block garage needs replaced and a quote was received \$575. A motion was made by John Howard to replace the garage door with a second by David Stallsmith, motion passed. Grindell Masonry submitted a quote to work on the brick building uptown. The heavy rains are causing rain to run into building. Mike's roofing is also going to be coming in to fix the gutters and stated the metal roof was in good condition. A motion was made by John Howard to seal the west wall and wait to seal the other part of the building with a second by Cindy Price, 4 ayes and 1 nay.

Zoning – X

Tree Commission – All the tree work has been completed and the stumps have been removed.

Budget – X

Street and Alley – X

Fire & Safety – Nov through June they have had 80 runs, some truck repairs completed, and brief discussion about purchasing the Greenwood property.

Buildings & Grounds – X

Cable - X

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Regional Planning – X

Old Business:

Market Street final engineering paperwork was received and it is scheduled for fall of 2015 or early spring 2016.

New Business:

John Boyd was present to discuss hydrants and the fire department periodically does a walk around the uptown area to allow for preplanning and hydrant flow testing. The main hydrant on Vine and High Street is still broken and the hydrant at Front and Vine Street broke when performing the flow testing. Several of the hydrants tested at 150 gal per minute with pressure and in a residential area it needs to test a minimum of 500 gal per minute pressure. Mr. Boyd reported that he will be attending the water and sewer board meeting to discuss this situation. Mark Heller stated he has been flushing the hydrants twice a year and they were all working and flushing fine. Discussion was held about how full the tower should be kept and they use to keep it fuller than it is kept today.

Clarence Greer was present to recap on the surface water committee status. Attachment included with report. A motion was made by Melissa Shawver to accept the low bid for the next surface water project that was bid out with a second by Lance Roberts, 5 ayes and Cindy Price abstained. Panfil Costea would like to ask Council to build something into the yearly budget to help maintain all the work that has been done.

A complaint was made about a boat behind a garage on Marsh Street and a letter needs to be sent for cleanup.

Cindy Price brought up about selling property and renting the village building out to make some extra income. Mayor Lightfoot is going to contact the solicitor to write up an agreement for renting the building.

Cindy Price was concerned about paying someone to help run the plant unless they are truly interested in operating the plant in the future. A long term plan to have someone that can step up when Mark Heller is no longer around would be the ultimate goal.

Saturday Oct 31st will be trick or treat from 5-6:30p.

The next regular meeting will be held on October 5, 2015 in the Council Room (350 N High Street) at 7:00pm.

Mayor

Clerk