

LARUE VILLAGE COUNCIL AUGUST 2016 MINUTES

The La Rue Village Council met in regular session on August 1, 2016 in the Village Council Room. Present were Mayor Milton Lightfoot, Clerk Mary Price, Maintenance Supervisor Mark Heller and Council Members: John Howard, Lisa Howard, Melissa Shawver, David Stallsmith, and Jennifer Tucker. Guests present: Clarence Greer, Panfil & Jackie Costea, Mary Snyder, Kenny Bookman.

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. Jennifer Tucker moved to pay the bills with a second by John Howard, motion passed.

Mayor – X

BPA – The water plant is being required by the EPA to become a certified lab with the following tests that have to be run daily: PH, Alkalinity, Hardness, and Chlorine. The board is working with the EPA to meet all the requirements to become a certified lab.

Park & Pool – Price and Son trash service has pulled on the walking path again and caused damage. Mark Heller stated he would move the trash cans up to the front shelter on a regular base so they will not pull on the path anymore. If the far shelter house is rented then Mark Heller will take the trash cans back to the shelter and then bring them up so they can get emptied by the trash company on Monday morning.

Sheriff – Tom Ford wanted to have the sheriff contacted about cars speeding coming over the bridge on Market Street. Panfil Costea reported that a little red truck was driving reckless around town and cars are still speeding down Vine Street.

Maintenance – New tires are needed for the mower. Jennifer Tucker reported that a catch basin on South High Street needs cleaned out.

Zoning –X

Tree Commission – X

Budget – John Howard would like to go over some budget items with the budget committee and a meeting was scheduled on 8/2/16 @6pm.

Street and Alley – X

Fire & Safety – X

Ordinance 16-4 was read to repeal ordinance 15-5 for burning and fire usage inside the Village limits with a motion by John Howard to waive the three readings and a second by David Stallsmith. A motion was made by David Stallsmith to pass ordinance 16-4 with a second by Jennifer Tucker, motion passed with 5 ayes and 1 nay.

Buildings & Grounds – Cindy Price brought in some residents from West Central Correction to do some cleaning and sealed the ramp. The building committee still needs someone to come in and fix the south end of the building in order to prep for painting. Melissa Shawver reported that a couple building committee members met with the health clinic and the main thing they are wanting is to use the rooms in

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the front of the modular. Mayor Lightfoot stated he does not want to move the rooms around because the clinic will only be present ½ a day each week and it is best that the clerk's office stay close to the front. Mrs. Shawver also reported that the Baptist Church used the building for VBS and they had the door propped open with a rock and also had the air conditioning turned way up in one of the rooms. Council decided there needs to be better communication and whoever's month it is to cover the building needs to be notified and be responsible to go over all the rules with the renter.

Cable – X

Regional Planning – Dan Stewart is trying to get the local sustainable food system started.

Old Business:

John Howard asked about the status of removing the scrap metal and junk from the rear of the North High Street property between the railroad tracks and the Methodist Church. Mayor Lightfoot indicated that a letter would be sent to clean this up.

New Business:

Lynn Thomas was present and wanted Council to know he was running as County Commissioner in the November election. Mr. Thomas felt the commissioners should be out working together to get better paying jobs in Marion County, decreasing crime and drugs, and helping residents.

Kris Kasotis was present and running for County Clerk of Courts. The main thing he would like to implement as Clerk of Courts is a database that would hold all the paper files that are kept by the office so attorneys and others can access them easier.

Gary Walters was present to review the Village's insurance and the company is up to about 800 in memberships. The limits and coverage was reviewed for the renewal insurance policy for 2016/2017. Jennifer Tucker asked Mr. Walters about the traffic light that was hit by lightning recently and Mr. Walters stated it would have to be listed on the schedule to be covered. The renewal premium is \$12,832 for effective period of 8/12/16.

Kenny Bookman wanted to discuss with Council about the flags, poles, and parts that are put up throughout the town each year. The LCA recently purchased 20 poles and a resident purchases the flag every year that are needed. Mr. Bookman wanted to know if Council could cover a part that is needed on the flag pole that prevents the flags from wrapping around the pole with a cost of \$310.78. A motion was made by John Howard to cover the cost with a second by Melissa Shawver, motion passed.

River Race and Ribs date has changed September 24th .

A motion was made by Melissa Shawver to adjourn the meeting with a second by John Howard.

The next regular meeting will be held on September 5, 2016 in the Council Room (350 N High Street) at 7:00pm.

Mayor

Clerk