

LARUE VILLAGE COUNCIL

June 2016 MINUTES

The La Rue Village Council met in regular session on June 6, 2016 in the Village Council Room. Present were Mayor Milton Lightfoot, Clerk Mary Price, Maintenance Supervisor Mark Heller and Council Members: David Stallsmith, John Howard, Lisa Howard, Cindy Price, and Jennifer Tucker. Guests present: Jeff Winslow, Tom Tucker, Clarence Greer, Ric Cobb, Kenny Bookman, Judy Cobb, and Jodi Cobb.

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 John Howard and a second by David Stallsmith.

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.

Resolution 2016-2 was read to allow the Village Clerk to have utilities paid by check or automatic withdraw. A motion was made by David Stallsmith to pass the resolution with a second by Jennifer Tucker, motion passed.

Mayor – Jerry Mcknight’s son wanted permission to set up a food stand on the Village’s property uptown to sell bake goods. Council didn’t see a problem, but would like him to contact the health department and make sure he is in compliance with all their regulations.

Market Street is finished and has been opened up for traffic.

Clean up day was successful and Mayor Lightfoot wanted to thank everyone for all their help.

Jim Jordan was present in town on May 27th for a meeting.

BPA – Memorial day a leak was repaired on High Street and the plant has cut the daily pumping by half.

Park & Pool – The opening days were great and some of the new improvements were new umbrellas, chairs, sprinkler for the baby pool, and a new pergola. Tech from Miama products will be here on Thursday to look over the pump. The new part for the pump should arrive on Thursday and Mark Heller is going to take the pump into Marion Industrial Motors to have them put a new part on the pump also. A couple ideas for this season would be water aerobics in the morning and swim lessons. 7 memberships in the 3 days the pool was open and the baby pool is still leaking and has to be filled every day.

Sheriff – X

Maintenance – Sheriff said calls are a little higher than this time last year and they are trying to higher 2 part time people for coverage through towns. David Stallsmith is still working to get the paint donated for the municipal building.

Zoning – Cindy Price stated she spoke with Bob Howell and residents need to be notified if they are building something that they need to get a zoning permit.

Tree Commission – X

Budget – Mayor Lightfoot would like the budget committee to look into a new levy for the Village to generate more money.

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Street and Alley – X

Fire & Safety – Some truck repairs have been completed and looking to put a sign up in front of the fire station. The burn ordinance needs to be looked over allowing burn rings and also the Mayor would like the paragraph put back in to give the village authority to burn if they need to. Lastly Mayor Lightfoot would like the ordinance to include anything that the state would approve of to be included in the ordinance.

Buildings & Grounds – The Baptist Church wants permission to use the municipal building again for bible school this year and Council did not see a problem with allowing them to use the building.

Cable – X

Regional Planning – X

Old Business:

Letters were sent to a property on Marsh Street (Lawrence) and property on Vine Street (Fields) for mowing. It was also reported that Delbert Roberts and Ric Patterson both have unlicensed vehicles on their properties and both need letters.

A letter needs to be sent to the Myers on Marsh Street letting them know it is not permitted to park over the sidewalk.

Cindy Price reminded Mark Heller that the lines in the parking lot at the municipal building still need to be painted.

Jeff Winslow wanted to know the status of the property next to his and Mayor Lightfoot reported they made several trips up to cleanup day hauling junk.

New Business:

Clarence Greer was present to update Council on the backflow valve installation was presented (reported attached).

Judy Cobb was present and wanted to know about the Vine Street light and the intersection being very dangerous now since you have to pull out so far to see. Mayor Lightfoot reported that lightening hit the circuit board on Market Street and the cheapest option at the time was to move the Vine Street light down to Market Street and it was going to be too expensive to replace the board that was fried. Council discussed the situation and thought the best option at this point would be to put a 4 way stop at Vine Street so Mark Heller is going to contact Brian Shook.

It was reported that a small tree along the tree lawn in front of Tom Young's property on Market Street is sticking out where it is hard for tall trucks to see oncoming traffic.

A motion was made at 8:41pm to go to executive session with a motion by Cindy Price and a second by John Howard to discuss village employees.

A motion was made at 9:11pm to leave executive session with a motion by John Howard and a second by Cindy Price.

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

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The next regular meeting will be held on July 11, 2015 in the Council Room (350 N High Street) at 7:00pm.

Mayor

Clerk