

## LARUE VILLAGE COUNCIL November 2016 MINUTES

The La Rue Village Council met in regular session on November 7, 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, Cindy Price, Melissa Shawver, David Stallsmith, and Jennifer Tucker.

Guests present: Panfil & Jackie Costea, Clarence Greer, Linda McCoy, Mary Snyder, and 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. David Stallsmith moved to pay the bills with a second by John Howard, motion passed.

**Mayor** – Mayor Lightfoot would like to thank the building and grounds committee for getting the municipal building painted.

Scioto Valley Fire Department and Red Cross went around and checked smoke detectors this past month in households all throughout the Village.

The LCA will be holding a meeting 11/8/16 dealing with the proposed Retention Lake project on the Scioto. Roberta Agosta will be speaking at the LCA meeting.

Panfil Costea installed a camera system so the Clerk can monitor the front door at the municipal building during office hours and if the office has to be moved down the hallway.

December 15<sup>th</sup> is the Christmas in the Village event. A motion was made by Melissa Shawver to close off High St for the Christmas in the Village event with a second by John Howard, motion passed.

**BPA** – The south well has been causing some problems with debris coming up and clogging the pre filters in the ROs. The board is discussing options they have to prevent the filters from getting clogged and one option is to have the well cleaned which will cost \$2000 per day and take roughly 2 days to complete. Jamison Well Drilling repaired the pump in the north well with a cost of around \$6800. The lift station by the municipal building has a pump that keeps losing prime and Mark Heller has been in contact with Marion County Sanitary to figure the issue out. Mark Heller reported that he had to go prime the pump down in the lift station and didn't have anyone available to stand up top. Council did not like the idea of Mark Heller going into the hole without anyone up top monitoring so he is not to go down in the lift station unless he has someone up top.

**Park & Pool** – Resolution 2016-3 was read to move \$500 from the general fund to the park fund to cover the quarterly federal tax payment with a motion was made by Jennifer Tucker and a second by Cindy Price, motion passed.

**Sheriff** – The sheriff's department is starting a program to monitor and get to know the elderly people in the committee. The deputy will visit those residents and talk with them and also the sheriff's department then is aware of their location. A form would need to be filled out and submitted to the sheriff's office to become part of the program.

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**Maintenance** – The leaf vac broke a gasket and is currently in the process of being fixed. Mark Heller presented information from Verizon wireless to upgrade his phone to a smart phone with a motion made by John Howard and a second by Cindy Price to allow for the upgrade, motion passed. The Verizon wireless bill should only go up \$10-\$15 more per month with the new upgrade.

Clarence Greer reported on the South Street plug, back flow device, and upper davis. They had to do a little exploring to find out where the plug was and they were successful in locating and clearing it out. Mr. Greer would like to see if Council would contribute \$250 and then he will be asking LCA for \$250 to cover the additional cost to locate the plugged area. A motion was made by Cindy Price to cover the \$250 with a second by Lisa Howard, motion passed.

**Zoning** – X

**Tree Commission** – X

**Budget** – Jennifer Tucker talked Lance Roberts about the property adjacent to his parents' house along Front Street and he mentioned he would be interested. Council is going to discuss this further once Mayor Lightfoot looks into the program Council joined last year to assist in selling properties. Council felt as long as they could cover the cost to sell the property there was no need to profit.

**Street and Alley** – X

**Fire & Safety** – New Bloomington is proposing to join the fire district.

**Buildings & Grounds** –

Proposal from the clinic was received. They would definitely want the front 3 rooms and they would want strict assess to those rooms. The clinic would pay \$666.66 per month towards rent and utilities. The unknowns and items that would need addressed: water and sewer payment drop box would have to be relocated, insurance and liability coverage, and internet doesn't reach to the other end of the building so equipment would have to be purchased. The building committee has several questions they will be following up with the clinic and Clerk Mary Price is going to email the Village's insurance company.

Cindy Price reported that the front steps on the municipal building need to be sealed.

Melissa Shawver talked with Mr. Malcom about students performing community service in the Village and right now Nov 21 or 22 are tentative dates set. The Village will need to supply brooms and gloves and the school will bring trash bags. Council would like to see some of the curbs around town cleaned.

Jennifer Tucker wanted to discuss with council about the LCA leasing the property up town rather than buying it and if they could just lease part of it. The LCA would like to clear the black top out, place a gazebo on the property, and then plant grass and some trees. Council would like the LCA to bring a proposal to Council and further discussion can be held.

**Cable** – X

**Regional Planning** – X

**Old Business:**

Panfil Costea wanted an update on the sheriffs discussion from last meeting about speeding on Vine St and Mayor Lightfoot stated he talked with the Mr. Cline. If residents have an issue or problem they are to

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call in and report to the sheriff so they can document. The Village now has a designed deputy and his name is Shawn Goad. Council held a discussion about putting speed bumps on Vine Street to slow traffic down. Putting rumble strips or speed bumps may just push the problem of speeding onto another street.

**New Business:**

Resolution 2016-2 to hire Tyler Howell as part time help was read a motion was made by Melissa Shawver and a second by Jennifer Tucker, motion passed.

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

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Mayor

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Clerk