

LARUE VILLAGE COUNCIL

March 2018 MINUTES

The La Rue Village Council met in regular session on March 5, 2018 in the Village Council Room. Present were Mayor Milton Lightfoot, Clerk Mary Price, Maintenance Supervisor Tyler Howell, and Council Members: John Howard, Lisa Howard, David Stallsmith, John Boyd, and Cindy Price.

Guests present: Mary Snyder, Clarence Greer, Tom Tucker, Jessie Carl, Tracy Richardson, Mr Richardson, Terri Lawson, and Rachael Kerr.

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 special meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Cindy Price 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 David Stallsmith, motion passed.

Resolution 2018-3 Authorizing the Village to accept ownership of parcels at 136 School Street and 430 N High Street and authorizing the mayor to sign both deeds. A motion was made by John Howard to accept the resolution with a second by Lisa Howard, motion passed.

Mayor- Phoenix group has completed the 1st review of the vacant property the Village owns at 36 High Street and the Village has not been charged anything at this point. The Phoenix group is trying to obtain a \$100,000 grant for cleanup of the property. The issues that were found during the review is that the soil is polluted and the hydraulic lift is still in the ground.

BPA – Everything is running smoothly and once the loan money is received, then the pumps will be replaced. The Board was granted approval for the \$90,000 loan.

The Board is looking at allowing a 2-year abatement for water and sewer to encourage new business growth uptown. Tom Tucker reported that James Doss that owns the auto repair shop is looking at the buildings uptown to possibly put in an apartment up top and laundry mat down below. Mayor Lightfoot is going to take the wording for the abatement that the Board of Public Affairs has proposed to Council and see if it can be put into an Ordinance.

The Board is looking for someone to cover when Tyler Howell needs to take time off.

Park & Pool – Jessie Carl reported that Rachael Kerr is going to be the assistance manager this season. Open interviews for lifeguards will be held on March 18th from 2-4 pm. The pool is still in need of lifeguards and so far, 3 people are interested. The final tally on the go fund was \$10,400.

Sheriff – X

Maintenance – The council room has been moved back to the original room and the Clerk's office still needs to be moved.

Zoning – Zoning meeting was held and some board members want to change the zoning book. Another meeting is going to be scheduled to further the discussion on the zoning book.

Tree Commission – Kenny Bookman has resigned from the tree commission.

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Budget – X

Street and Alley – Mayor Lightfoot has a meeting coming up with the director of division 6 for the repaving of 37.

The roads to chip and seal for permissive tax were approved.

The project for the curve on 95 and Section Street has been put off for another year and should only be closed for 3 weeks when the project is completed. The alley beside Brian Green's property is in need of stone so Tyler Howell is going to check out the current condition.

Fire & Safety – Contract with Medicount was signed so if the fire department has to do transports then billing would go through that company. A couple promotions were given at the fire department.

Buildings & Grounds – X

Cable – X

Regional Planning – No meeting in this past month.

Old Business:

Cindy Price wanted clarification regarding the ball diamond at the municipal building and if dirt was going to be put on the field during the J-Lenco Tile Project. Clarence Greer reported the plans call for a water way and it comes right up to the fencing so the fencing will probably be coming out.

Cindy Price would like to get a quote for trash pickup from another company to compare to what we are paying now.

Jennifer Tucker is willing to continue updating the sign out front of the municipal building.

New Business:

Tracy Richardson was present to let the community know who she is and that she will be running for state representative.

Clarence Greer reported that Sarah Jamerson a weather hydrologist from Cleveland typically would ask how much water is located on Front St, High St, and Vine St during high water. The news will report at 11 ft. that the town is flooding and Mrs. Jamerson is willing to adjust that number since it is not accurate.

Terri Lawson reported she is having issues with her neighbors @ 105 School Street (Fasslers). The property smells due to trash everywhere, rats and rodents are present, stuff everywhere around the property, and the property does not have electric so they ran a generator all summer. Mayor Lightfoot reported that he has contacted the health department and the last he heard they were going to take Mr. Fassler to court but has not heard any updates. John Boyd expressed that he felt the Council should put some heat on the health department to do more so Council members were all going to make calls to express their concerns.

The next regular meeting will be held on April 2, 2018 in the Council Room (350 N High Street) at 7:00pm.

Mayor

Clerk