

# LARUE VILLAGE COUNCIL

## APRIL 2020 MINUTES

The La Rue Village Council met in regular session on April 6, 2020 in the Village Council Room. Present were Mayor Dustin Ford, Clerk Mary Price, and Council Members: Connie Kendall, David Stallsmith, Lance Roberts, and John Boyd.

Guests present: None

Mayor Dustin Ford opened the Meeting with a pledge to the American flag.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved with a motion by Connie Kendall and a second by David Stallsmith, motion passed.

**The financial report** was presented and a motion was made Connie Kendall to approve the bills with a second by John Boyd, motion passed.

### **Mayor –**

Mayor Ford reported that there is a sinkhole that is forming on the property at Front and River Street in the yard beside the house. The sinkhole is forming over a storm sewer. A contractor will complete the project and two bids have been obtained from GMC for \$5,000-\$7,000 and Roth Excavating \$5,294. The village will complete the finish work after the project is completed. GMC stated they could get started the end of the week and Roth Excavating said next week they could get to the job. A motion was made by John Boyd to approve GMC to complete the work with a second by Lance Roberts, motion passed.

**BPA** – The reason the bids came in so high for the water tower is because the timeframe was too tight and the contractors are busy. The bids all came in at least \$200,000 over the engineer's estimates. The project is going to be re bid with a longer timeframe for completion to see if they can get the bids to come down. The new bid opening will be April 24<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm. The new completion date will be set for June of 2021 for the tower construction.

**Park & Pool** – The pool insurance has been canceled and Dustin Ford would like no trespassing signs put up. Tyler Howell asked if Council would like to set prices for the items in the pump house that are going to be auctioned. Council would like pictures of the items to proceed with the auctions.

**Sheriff** – X

**Maintenance** – X

**Zoning** – X

**Tree Commission** – X

**Budget** – X

**Street and Alley** – X

**Fire & Safety** – Nothing new to report

**Buildings & Grounds** – X

**Regional Planning** – X

### **Old Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

A motion was made by John Boyd to wave Shear Skill's rent until the Barber shop is able to open with a second by Connie Kendall, motion passed.

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Mowing bids were opened with one bid received from Ric's Landscaping for the park - \$165, sledding hill (2-3) - \$95, lagoons - \$99, and property at 36 High Street - \$29. Council decided to accept the bids but will talk with Mr. Patterson about which properties the Village wants mowed and how often.

Connie Kendall reported that Mary Snyder wanted to know when yard waste will be picked up. Information and suggestions from Clarence Greer reported by Connie Kendall that the Village needs to set a date for yard waste, mowing should be changed and some properties bush hogged, 4 secured lights at the park need to be looked at, water well lights one stays on all the time, entrance to the modular has light that stays on all day, and yard sales should be delayed. Clarence Greer stated to Connie Kendall that the Village should find ways to save money because might not get all the 2<sup>nd</sup> half tax money, gas tax will be less, and utility bills might get less. Council did not see an issue with Tyler Howell picking up waste once a week.

Council wanted the following properties cleanup:

- Cody Lowe on High Street
- Vine Street & Front Street property – Demoris Brown
- Bradshaw property on Vine Street

The next regular meeting will be held on May 4, 2020 in the Council Room (350 N High Street) at 7:00pm.

Motion to adjourn by Connie Kendall with a second by Lance Roberts, motion passed.

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Mayor

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Fiscal Officer