LaRue Village Council Meeting March 4, 2024

The LaRue Village Council met in regular session on March 4 2024 in the Village Council Room. Present were Mayor Dustin Ford, Clerk Mary Price, Maintenance Supervisor Tyler Howell, and Council Members: David Stallsmith, Connie Kendall, Andrew Trihaft, John Boyd, Maria Ford, and John Hickman.

Guests present: BPA representatives Diane Evans, Mary Snyder, and Amanda Hickman.

Opening: Mayor Ford opened the meeting with a pledge to the American flag.

<u>Minutes:</u> The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved with a motion by David Stallsmith and a second by Andrew Trihaft, motion passed.

<u>The financial report</u> was presented and a motion was made John Hickman to approve the bills with a second by Connie Kendall, motion passed.

Mayor - X

<u>BPA</u> – Diane Evans reported that AEP had an accident while they were installing electric lines and they hit a sewer line that was not properly mapped. BPA has repaired the sewer line and has gotten the mapping updated.

<u>Maintenance</u> – Tyler Howell reported this past month he removed snow twice, installed "no ATV" sign at the park, leveled the stone in the alley, and painted the handicap area in front of the Methodist Church.

<u>Park</u> – Tyler Howell reported that he thinks he can repair the ball diamond fence at the park for \$500 since the fencing replacement quote was so high. The fencing that needs repaired is the section along St Rt 37. Tyler Howell is estimating \$1,000 for all the park items this season including pond dye, pond weed control, conveyor belt, and top fencing rail. A motion to approve \$1,000 to be spent at the park with a motion by John Hickman and a second by Maria Ford.

Sheriff – X
Zoning – X
Tree Commission – X
Budget – X
Street and Alley –

<u>Fire & Safety</u> – Andrew Trihaft reported that the fire department applied for several grants and Chief talked about declaring a state of emergency on April 8th.

Buildings & Grounds – X Regional Planning – X

Old Business:

Tyler Howell reported that the old hardware store has been torn down and they will be wrapping the outside of the building with metal.

New Business:

Council will be sending letters to the following properties: 134 Marsh Street – Trash

455 Vine Street – Trash

165 N High Street – Nonworking vehicle 37 E Market Street – Nonworking vehicle

A motion was made by Connie Kendall @8:10pm to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters with a second by Andrew Trihaft, motion passed.

A motion was made by Connie Kendall @8:50pm to exit executive session with a second by John Hickman, motion passed.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 1, 2024.	
Mayor	Fiscal Officer