# **LaRue Village Council Meeting June 2, 2025**

The LaRue Village Council met in regular session on June 2, 2025 in the Village Council Room. Present were Mayor Dustin Ford, Clerk Mary Price, Maintenance Supervisor Tyler Howell, and Council Members: Connie Kendall, Andrew Trihaft, Maria Ford, John Boyd, John Hickman, and David Stallsmith. **Guests present:** Mary Snyder, Angie Sayer, and Diane Johnson

**Opening:** Mayor Dustin 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 Stallmsith and a second by Andrew Trihaft, motion passed.

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

A motion was made by John Hickman to approve Samantha Hobb's agreement with a second by Maria Ford, motion passed.

### Mayor - None

<u>Maintenance</u> – Tyler Howell reported he completed painting around town, Earthworm has the Village on their schedule, ordered concrete for the drain project, and pot holes patched throughout town,

<u>Street and Alley</u> – The trees and bushes along the alley between Pendleton's & Fields properties need to be trimmed back.

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \underline{\mathbf{BPA}} - & \underline{\mathbf{Buildings} \ \& \ \mathbf{Grounds}} - X & \underline{\mathbf{Budget}} - X \\ \underline{\mathbf{Commission}} - X & \underline{\mathbf{Sheriff}} - X & \underline{\mathbf{Tree}} - X \end{array}$ 

<u>Fire & Safety</u> – Andrew Trihaft reported the fire department completed training, new boat ordered, more grants have been applied for, and they have been working on the levy.

### Zoning -

**Park** – 2 willow trees had to be removed at the park by JT Tree Service for \$2,000.

#### **Old Business:**

St Rt 37 project start date scheduled for June 23rd and should be finished by the end of October.

## **New Business:**

Angie Sayer wanted to ask if Council could purchase the brackets that would be used to hang the veterans' banners. The brackets would be something that would stay and be used by the village for flags in the future. A motion was made by John Boyd to approve the purchase of 30 brackets with a second by David Stallsmith, motion passed.

Virtual meeting was held with Rex Aranyosi from Alternative Energy to discuss the Columbia Gas contract and current rates. Council decided to not lock into any set gas rates at this point due to the market being so unstable. The electric contract has no changes and is good through November 2027.

Andrew Trihaft reported that the Patterson's property on the corner of School & Section St has been burning on their property.

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for July 7, 2025