

LaRue Village Council Meeting August 4, 2025

The LaRue Village Council met in regular session on August 4, 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:** None

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

Minutes: The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved with a motion by Connie Kendall and a second by Maria Ford, motion passed.

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

Mayor – None

Maintenance – Tyler Howell reported the culvert has been completed at the end of Front Street. Stop signs have been purchased from the County, flashing lights have been found to put on barricades, graded all alleys, small building on the vacant lot besides Coonies is all cleared out, and the remaining structure on the vacant lot was discussed how it will be remodeled.

Council discussed what options they have along St Rt 37 with street lights, flower planters, and street clock. Discussion was tabled at this point and something will have to be decided in September before the sidewalk is completed.

Tyler Howell reported that St Rt 37 project is moving along and no new updates.

Tyler Howell reported that the trade in value is \$28,000 for the tractor. The Mount Victory Bank has loan options @4% for 10 years = \$4,900 per year. A motion was made by Andrew Trihaft to approve \$42,000 tractor purchase with a second by Maria Ford, motion passed. Tyler Howell is going to research and find the best deal for the Village.

Street and Alley – Tyler Howell presented information for a street broom that could be attached to the tractor.

Zoning – 1st reading was held on the proposed zoning code change to the Business District Regulations. Council would like the Village solicitor to draft a no over night parking in the down town area and a snow removal regulation.

Buildings & Grounds – X

Sheriff – X

Budget – X

Tree – X

Commission – X

Park – X

BPA - X

Fire & Safety – Andrew Trihaft reported that the backup squad was taken out of commission and another unit is trying to be located. Year to date 242 runs.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

The Village is having issues with 4 wheels and motor bikes so the sheriff has been contacted.

Trick or Treat will be held on October 25th 5-6:30pm

Tyler Howell reported the Village is obtaining the old Monk property on South Street.

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for September 2, 2025