

LaRue Village Council Meeting June 1, 2026

The LaRue Village Council met in regular session on June 1, 2026 in the Village Council Room. Present were Clerk Mary Price, Maintenance Supervisor Tyler Howell, and Council Members: Connie Kendall, Andrew Trihaft, David Stallsmith, John Hickman, and Maria Ford.

Guests present: David Spracklen and Amanda Hickman

Opening: Council President Maria 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 David Stallsmith and a second by Andrew Trihaft, motion passed.

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

Maintenance –

The curb sweeper had a bolt that came out so Tyler Howell contacted the company and it was covered under warranty for the part.

Tyler Howell reported the recent flooding had a max height of 13.5 ft.

Tyler Howell would like to purchase new walkie talkies so he can communicate with maintenance staff. A motion was made by Connie Kendall to purchase 4 walkie talkies and a second by Maria Ford, motion passed.

Park –

Tyler Howell reported that he has been working on the structure that's located on the Village's vacant lot beside Coonies. He has been completing roof repairs and reframing. The fence on the property has been installed as well.

Street and Alley –

Tyler Howell reported that he contacted ODOT about the man hole in the intersection of High & Market because the asphalt was not laid correctly around it.

The bridge project will start June 22nd.

Council would like Tyler Howell to get a quote from ODOT to repair the bad sections along North High Street.

Buildings & Grounds – X

BPA – X

Budget – X

Sheriff - X

Commission – X

Tree – X

Fire & Safety – X

Zoning – Council discussed placing a restriction on the old jc's property and the burnt building property to regulate what could be built. Tyler Howell stated he would contact the zoning board about the matter.

Old Business:

New Business:

David Spracklen was present to discuss the letter he received about the old lumber mill building on Market Street. The electric has been removed from the building and he has been in touch with a couple companies that tear down barns, but nothing lined up at this point. Tyler Howell stated that he had a contact for someone that could demo the structure and he would provide Mr. Spracklen's information to them. Mr. Spracklen stated he is planning on having it down by the end of this year.

A motion was made by John Hickman to approve the solicitors contract with a second by Connie Kendall, motion passed.

Letters need to be sent to the following properties:

250 N High Street – Wrecked vehicle sitting in the rear

280 N High Street – Unlicensed vehicle sitting on property

166 Chestnut Street – 7 vehicles on property that are either inoperable or unlicensed

Mary Blankenship – 175 West Street – Violating Ordinance 2013-3 (Section 1-F / 4-A&B / 5)

81 Chestnut St – Property needs cleaned up with weeds, trash, & junk

61 Chestnut St – Property needs cleaned up with junk & trash

115 S Chestnut St – General property cleanup needed

41 Front Street – General property cleanup needed

61 Vine Street – General property cleanup needed

Red Roof Auto – Tire cleanup

41 S Marsh Street – House needs to be repaired

86 South Street – Mowing in the rear of the property

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2026