

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 6, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dean at 7:00 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S. East Street, Le Roy. Council members present were Justin Morfey, Kyle Merkle, Patti Welander, Ron Legner, Matt Steffen and Sarah Welte.

Dawn Hanafin and Kelly Lay were absent.

Staff members present were Dan Lush, Perry Mayer, Anita Corso, Dave Jenkins and Vicki Moreland.

Mayor Dean introduced two new employees, Jessica Carroll and Joel Wilcox. Jessica is the new Billing Clerk and Joel is the new Code Compliance/Building Inspection/Billing backup employee for the City of Le Roy.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes from November 15, 2021, invoices from December 6, 2021 in the amount of \$38,601.13, payroll for the period of November 19, 2021 in the amount of \$45,512.58 and payroll for the period of December 3, 2021 in the amount of 46,321.40. The items in the consent agenda were voted on separately.

Motion was made by Sarah and seconded by Matt for approval of the Council Meeting Minutes from November 15, 2021. Roll call: Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Justin for approval of the invoices and payroll. Roll call: Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti

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Welander-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Perry reported that the sample taken on the tanks were successful. They would be filled & flushed and if the quality test was approved they would start taking the bacti samples. The plant is anticipated to be ready to go online sometime after the first of the year.

Dan reported that the Christmas lights and decorating had been completed and thanked Perry as well as the Sewer department for their help. He also thanked Perry and Ron for being involved with the Street Department regarding the parade float.

The Council discussed the bid that was received for purchase of the roll off truck. According to Blue Book prices, they felt the bid was too low to accept. Motion was made by Patti and seconded by Justin to reject the \$1,801.00 bid from ZoomEX, LLC for the purchase of the surplus 1998 International 4099 roll-off truck. Another advertisement will be published and opened bids will be considered by the Council at the January 3, 2022 meeting. Roll call: Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Sarah and seconded by Matt for approval to cancel the December 20, 2021 regularly scheduled council meeting due to the Christmas holiday. Roll call: Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Ordinance No. 21-12-01-10, An Ordinance Levying Taxes For Corporate Purposes For The Fiscal Year Commencing On The First Day Of May 2022

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And Ending On The Thirtieth Day Of April, 2023 For The City Of Le Roy, McLean County, Illinois was passed on a motion made by Matt and seconded by Kyle. Roll call: Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Ordinance 21-12-02-10, Ordinance Abating The Taxes Heretofore Levied For The Year 2021 To Pay Debt Service On \$2,865,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016a, \$2,510,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016b, \$1,095,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2020, And \$3,440,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021, Of The City Of Le Roy, McLean County, Illinois was passed on a motion made by Kyle and seconded by Justin. Roll call: Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays.

In Old and New Business Dave asked the Council for directive regarding the construction of an access road at the 16 remaining City owned acres for future development. An email from LYB estimated the cost at approximately \$850 per foot. Ron stated he would like to have something to look at and then have a conversation regarding financing. Dave will include drawings for the January Council meeting.

Kyle had been approached by a resident regarding a late fee for a City utility bill that was not received in the mail. Mayor Dean stated that the City does not forgive late fees.

Patti stated that she had received a phone call about leaf burning. Mayor Dean stated that leaf burning was an issue that was brought up each year and stated the Council could discuss further at a future meeting.

Mayor Dean complimented the Public Works department on a fantastic job regarding the Christmas decorating around town. He also announced that the City of Le Roy parade entry that was decorated by Public Works had won the "Best Of Theme" award.

Motion was made by Patti and seconded by Sarah to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:33 PM.

Vicki Moreland City Clerk, City of Le Roy