

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 21, 2022

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 Kyle Merkle, Patti Welander, Kelly Lay, Dawn Hanafin, Matt Steffen, Ron Legner, and Sarah Welte.

Justin Morfey was absent.

Staff members present were Chief Williamson, Dan Lush, Brad Frankovich, Joel Wilcox, Dave Jenkins and Anita Corso.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes from March 7, 2022, invoices from March 21, 2022 in the amount of \$105,932.10, and payroll for the period of March 11, 2022, in the amount of \$40,265.10.

The items in the consent agenda were voted on separately.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Patti for approval of the Council Meeting Minutes. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-abstain, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Matt for approval of the invoices and payroll. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-abstain, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstain.

Chief Williamson reported the Amazon locker has been installed and does take returns. Pictures and information have been posted on Facebook.

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Joel reported on the Zoning Board recommendation to approve the awning variance. No safety concerns were found and they thought it would be a good addition to the area.

ORD 22-03-02-51 An ordinance approving a variation of sign on awning projections of the municipal code, Le Roy, McLean County, Illinois. Motion was made by Patti and seconded by Kelly to approve the variance. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Sarah to approve the Fall Festival Committee's request totaling \$5,000.00 in funding from the Hotel/Motel Tourism Fund for the August 23rd through 27th Fall Festival event. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Dawn and seconded by Kelly for approval of the proposal from Lewis, Yockey & Brown, Inc. for professional engineering services on the Barnett Street Drainage Improvements project totaling \$89,300. Discussion clarified the drainage concerns with the new elementary school parking lot. The project would encompass one block each side of Barnett and ARPA funds can be used. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

RES 22-03-03-10 A resolution for accounting purposes, a capitalization policy for the City of Le Roy, McLean County, Illinois. Motion to approve by Kyle and seconded by Patti. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

ORD 22-03-04-51 An ordinance amending section 10-7A-2 of the Zoning Code. Motion to approve by Sarah and seconded by Matt. Discussion considered number of hours being specific verses reasonable and preferences to maintained property over open business. Sarah amended the motion to table further action

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until legal could be consulted. Motion to table seconded by Matt. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

In Old and New Business Dave said the Public Works contract is still on hold as the Union Representative has still not met with City members.

Jason suggested legal fees for prosecutions of OV's be separated and charged to zoning instead of PD.

Dan asked about progress on the Dollar General sign. Mayor Dean said a permit has been taken out to replace it and he will be contacting the property owner directly regarding the sign and the parking lot.

Mayor Dean reminded everyone the Easter Bunny Parade will be April 16, 2022 at 1:00 pm.

At 7:34 PM a motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Dawn to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, and Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso
Acting City Clerk
City of Le Roy