

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 16, 2023

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

Staff members present were Perry Mayer, Dan Lush, Dave Jenkins, Anita Corso, and Brad Frankovich.

There were no comments from the public.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes from 10/2/2023, invoices from 10/16/2023 totaling \$ 178,465.00, and payroll for the period of 10/6/2023 in the amount of \$49,145.57.

The items in the consent agenda were voted on separately.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Matt for approval of the Council Meeting Minutes. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Kelly Lay-abstain, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Sarah for approval of the invoices and payroll. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-abstain, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Kelly Lay- yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Staff Reports: Dan reported brush pickup is this week. The last pickup for the season will begin Monday 10/30/23.

Perry reported the aeration and retention tanks have been cleaned and will now be on a yearly cleaning schedule. A valve has been replaced at Green St. and White St. Hydrant flushing began today (10/16/23) with 14 hydrants being flushing. Flushing will continue until complete.

Dave commented the Methodist Church's Worship Without Walls weekend did a wonderful job with the landscaping cleanup at City Hall.

Mr. John Tiedt from Retail Strategies presented via Zoom strategies on achieving retail growth through data collection and analysis. Afterwards Justin mentioned an upcoming conference of business specifically looking to expand into the Midwest. Mayor Dean referred the information to a joint meeting of the Finance Committee and Economic Development Committee.

Dave gave an overview of the bids received for 2023-2026 refuse and recycle collection service from GFL and Republic. Motion was made by Kyle to approve the bid from GFL for the 2023-2026 refuse and recycle collection services. Matt seconded the motion. Discussion reviewed the rate differences in

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more detail. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Brett Egan of Compass Insurance presented the 2023-2024 Liability and Workers Compensation coverage proposal from Illinois Public Risk Fund (IPRF) totaling \$41,337.00 (renewal) and Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust (ICRMT) totaling \$103,362.00 (renewal). Brett explained the main reasons for the increase were the updated appraised values of the buildings and contents. Motion to approve the renewal proposal by Patti was seconded by Kelly. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion by Patti was seconded by Sarah for approval of the high bid from Loren & Cheryl Engstrom for the purchase of declared surplus property- the 2015 Ford Explorer with identification #1FM5K8AR4FGA46017 for \$2,127.78. Discussion reminded all the vehicle was sold in AS IS condition with no warrantee from the City. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Dave opened the discussion regarding the Barnett Street drainage project with an updated status on the plans from the engineers. Dan gave an update on issues in Golden Eagle subdivision.

In Old and New Business Mayor Dean reminded everyone of the upcoming ribbon cutting ceremonies at the Pharmacy and the Oak & Flame Bourbon Hall. Also that ParkFest is this weekend and all are welcome!

Mayor Dean also mentioned the IOOF planted five memorial trees this week.

Dave told the council Joel Wilcox, Code Compliance Office, has resigned and they have a strong lead for a replacement.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Kelly to adjourn the regular council meeting. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso,
City Clerk