

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 6, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S. East Street with all council members present at roll call except Hilary Neal.

Staff members present were Scott Bryant, Eddy Allen, Dean Buhrke, Chief Williamson, Officer Theo Facer, Officer Jessie Wendt, Treasurer Brad Frankovich, Dave Jenkins and Vicki Moreland.

Representing the American Legion were Mark Young and Janet Oliver to present the City with a certificate of appreciation for their support of the Honor Wall.

State's Attorney Jason Chambers addressed the Council regarding the Replex investigation and stated that anyone with concerns could contact him with questions.

Robert Gaines addressed the council regarding concerns he had for the condition of lights, sidewalks, water quality and Police safety.

Included on the consent agenda were meeting minutes from October 16, 2017, invoices from November 6, 2017 in the amount of \$632,708.46 and payroll expenses for the period of October 27, 2017 totaling \$44,769.17. Motion was made by Dawn and seconded by Kyle for approval of the consent agenda. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Rick Kline-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Scott reported that the planned sewer projects including Pine Street, Elm Street, Warren and Main, would still take place, weather permitting.

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Dave reported that the detention tank work had been completed and the boring had begun for the water line under I-74.

Ben Smith, C.P.A. with Streigel Knoblock presented the Council with an overview of the City of Le Roy's 2016-2017 Annual Financial Report.

Paul Young of Young Architects provided an overview and response to Council questions in regard to the police department renovation project at 110 S. East Street.

Motion was made by Ron and seconded by Glenn for approval of the construction drawings from Young Architects for the police department renovation project located at 110 S. East Street. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Rick Kline-no, Kyle Merkle-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-no. Motion carried 5 yeas, 2 nays.

Ordinance No. 17-11-01-10, An Ordinance Abating The Taxes Heretofore Levied For The year 2017 To pay Debt Service On \$2,865,000 The City's Outstanding General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016A, and \$2,510,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2017B, was passed on a motion made by Dawn and seconded by Brad. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Rick Kline-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Sue Bratcher was present to discuss upcoming activities at the Empire Township Historical Museum. She touched on the updated technology of a bar code at historical places that could be scanned by a phone for information regarding the location as well as the new display cases and asked about the possibility of an addition to the City website for a "Volunteer Hotline" that organizations could access to recruit volunteer help.

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In Old and New business Mayor Dean recognized the Odd Fellows Lodge for planting trees in memory of Lodge members in various places throughout the City.

Dean Buhrke informed the Council that he was taking applications for part-time employment for projects that needed to be completed as well as applications for snow plow drivers if needed.

Motion was made by Brad and seconded by Kyle to enter executive session at 8:40 PM under section **5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)**, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel for the public body. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Rick Kline-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Council agreed to end Executive Session and re-enter regular session at 9:06 PM.

Motion to adjourn the regular council meeting at 9:07 PM was made by Glenn and seconded by Brad. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Rick Kline-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Brad Poindexter-yes, Glenn Reinhart-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Greg Steffen-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

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