



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 15,
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 Dawn Hanafin, Justin Morfey, Kyle Merkle, Patti Welander, Kelly Lay, Ron Legner, Matt Steffen and Sarah Welte.

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

Brett Egan of Compass Insurance made a brief statement regarding the city's historical practice of purchasing products/services locally whenever possible and his belief that purchasing the city's liability insurance coverage should be no different. Brett also stated that the agency has experience in serving numerous governmental agencies.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes from November 1, 2021, invoices from November 2, 2021 in the amount of \$35,035.00, invoices from November 15, 2021 totaling \$530,460.22, and payroll for the period of November 5, 2021 in the amount of \$43,568.14. 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 1, 2021. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Justin Morfey-abstain, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstention.

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Motion was made by Patti and seconded by Kyle for approval of the invoices and payroll. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-abstain, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstain.

Scott informed the council that he had directed Donohue Engineering to begin the process of renewing the discharge permit which expires in October of 2022. Scott went on to say that the reason he wanted to start the process early is that there is always the possibility of changes some of which could be very costly. He assured council that he would keep them posted.

Chief Williamson reported that two subjects believed to be responsible for several vehicle burglaries had been apprehended and charged. Chief Williamson informed council that Officer Shaw had accepted a position for Champaign County effective, December 1, 2021.

Dan reported that the majority of Christmas lighting/decorating was nearing completion.

Perry reported that there had been significant progress in regards to the changeover to the new treatment process. Two of the filter tanks had been filled/drained and expect to get a sample on tanks Thursday. If the tanks pass, they will be filled and samples taken to be submitted to IEPA . With approval of water quality results, a request will go to the IEPA for an operating permit and trial run subsequent to the switch over.

Dave asked council members to let him know if they all had a copy of the Illinois Municipal Handbook.

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Matt Albers of Dimond Bros. Insurance provided an overview of health insurance companies, specifically to auto-renew Blue Cross Blue Shield with no changes [+13.8%]; BCBS G531BCE [+12.7] policy which provides same coverage as renewal but has significant out of pocket expense or; Health Alliance [+12.8%] for council comparison and consideration in selecting a health insurance provider for city employees during calendar year 2022. Subsequent to discussion a motion was made by Patti Welander and seconded by Justin Morfey to accept the proposal from Principle Vision [rates/policy unchanged] and BCBS to auto-renew the current policy for \$309,429.60 a 13.8% increase. Roll call: Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Justin Morfey-yes. Motion carried 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Sarah and seconded by Dawn for approval of the Compass Insurance Partners proposal to become an Agent of Record for the City of Le Roy and provide the same Travelers Insurance coverage as proposed November 1st as described in their letter dated November 12, 2021 for a combined total cost of \$110,061. Roll call: Patti Welander-no, Kelly Lay-no, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-no, Sarah Welte-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Justin Morfey-no, Kyle Merkle-no. Motion failed 3 yeas, 5 nays.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Matt to approve the 2021-2022 liability insurance proposal from, Corkill Insurance to provide the Travelers Insurance liability coverage at \$66,383 and Workers

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Compensation coverage totaling \$43,678 for a combined total of \$110,061.00. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-no, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-no, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-no. Motion carried 5 yeas, 3 nays.

Ordinance No. 21-11-02-80, An Ordinance Providing For And Approving The Sale Of Personal Property Of The City Of Le Roy, McLean County, Illinois was passed on a motion made by Kyle and seconded by Sarah. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Justin Morfey, yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 8 yeas, 0 nays.

In Old and New Business, Dawn brought up the Exchange Bottling Works.

Mayor Dean said the “Light Up Le Roy” event at Kiwanis Park On November 27 @ 3:30 p.m. Birch & Beams shopping plans Nov/Dec

Exec 7:35 Matt/Kelly 8-0

At 7:43 PM motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Sarah to adjourn the regular council meeting. Roll call: Dawn Hanafin-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Matt Steffen-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Vicki Moreland
City Clerk,
City of Le Roy