

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 7, 2022

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, Kyle Merkle, Patti Welander, Justin Morfey, Dawn Hanafin, Kelly Lay.

Staff members present were Perry Mayer, Dan Lush, Jason Williamson, Dave Jenkins and Anita Corso.

Ron Legner was seated at 7:03 PM.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes from October 17, 2022, invoices from November 7, 2022 in the amount of \$626,502.46, payroll for the period of October 21, 2022 in the amount of \$ 48,683.12 and payroll for the period of November 4, 2022, in the amount of \$ 42,001.44.

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: Matt Steffen-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-abstain and Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

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

Dan reported regular brush pickup for the season is over. If a storm comes through and residents have a large pile they should contact City Hall for pickup as time permits. Also, the parking lot and sidewalk at the dog park should be poured 11/8/22.

Perry reported three of the four leaks have been repaired with the final repair in progress with a contractor.

David Malone gave a presentation about improvements he is offering to make to the Frisbee Golf Course on the old landfill. He proposes to move 3 baskets from out of the trees to complete a 9-hole course at no cost to the City. A motion for Mr. Malone to proceed with the

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plan for the renovation of the Disc Golf Course was made by Patti and seconded by Justin. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes and Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Brett Egan of Compass Insurance presented two proposals for the 2022-2023 Liability and Workers Compensation coverage. Discussion included training support as well as cost. A motion was made by Patti and seconded by Kelly to approve the 2022-2023 Liability and Workers compensation coverage proposals from ICRMT / IPRF totaling \$123,856.00. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes and Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Matt Albers from Dimond Bros presented proposals from 2023 employees health insurance coverage from Blue Cross Blue Shield and Health Alliance. The presentation explained the differences in cost and coverage. Questions were raised about how to better use the HRA that's already in place to keep the coverage the same while reducing costs. Matt will look into the options and come back next meeting.

Motion was made by Patti and seconded by Kyle to approve the purchase of a 2023 Ford Interceptor Police vehicle as quoted from Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc in the amount of \$40,415.00 within the 2023/2024 Budget year. Discussion clarified that the new vehicle is part of the regular rotation of cars for the department as well as the need to place the order early so the vehicle actually arrives in the 2023/2024 fiscal year. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes and Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Matt to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Police Services between Empire Township and the City of Le Roy, Illinois. Discussion questioned how often this agreement needs to be renewed. Jason explained it coincides with the term of the current Sherriff. Liability was also discussed. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes and Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays

A motion by Patti, seconded by Kelly, for approval to allocate \$900 from the General Fund to purchase Christmas Gift Cards for city employees and Zoning Board members. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes and Ron Legner-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

In Old and New Business the Mayor reminded all that November 26th is Small Business Saturday and also Light Up Le Roy.

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Ron reported talking to the contractor about test boring for a new well in early December at the possible site on Hemlock.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso
City Clerk
City of Le Roy