

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 15, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Dean at 7:02 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S East Street, Le Roy. Council members present were Matt Steffen, Kelly Lay, Dawn Hanafin, Ron Legner, Patti Welander, Justin Morfey, and Sarah Welte.

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

In Public Comments a Boy Scout, Mr. Dunafin, introduced himself and explained he was in attendance as a requirement for his Communications merit badge.

Included on the consent agenda were Regular Meeting Minutes from May 1, 2023, invoices from 5/15/2023 totaling \$ 109,508.28, and payroll for the period of 5/5/23 in the amount of \$54,417.54.

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. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

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

Staff Reports: Perry reported MetroNet is still laying fiber south of the Interstate. He also reported this is week 3 of the meter replacement and 344 have been changed to date.

Dave explained MetroNet is also still waiting on permits to use the Ameren poles and they are hoping to be completed by fall.

ORD NO. 23-05-02-51 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A VARIATION IN FRONT/SIDE YARD FENCING SETBACK REQUIREMENTS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, LE ROY, ILLINOIS. Motion to approve was made by Kelly and seconded by Patti. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin- yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

ORD NO. 23-05-03-51 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A VARIATION OF ACCESSORY BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF LE ROY, ILLINOI, 2003 TOTLE 10-ZONING. Motion to approve by Patti was seconded by Kelly. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kelly Lay-yes,

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Dawn Hanafin- yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Justin Morfey-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Patti made a motion, seconded by Kelly, for approval of the Professional Services Agreement from Chastain & Associates, LLC for the design of new water well at a Not-To-Exceed cost totaling \$48,600. Ron gave details about the location, the evaluation by a hydro-geologist and other specifics covered by the agreement. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Kelly Lay-yes, Dawn Hanafin- yes, Patti Welander-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, Justin Morfey-yes, Sarah Welte-yes. Motion carried 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Council entered discussion on the request by Diamond Grove Wind Farm that the City decrease its 1 ½ mile boundary to allow windmills closer to the corporate limits. Concerns were expressed over limiting future growth. A public hearing will be held 6/19/23 possibly at the Princess Theatre at 6:00 p.m. to hear public opinion on the matter before making a final decision.

In Old and New Business Dawn asked about the status of the possible development north of the city. Dave answered that the engineers are still looking at it.

Dan invited all to Ed Allen's retirement gathering at the American Legion on Saturday 5/20 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Kelly asked about the drainage issues on School Street and by the vet clinic on West Street. Dan answered they are both county roads and the city can do nothing.

The Mayor thanked everyone that helped with Community Build Day at Bowman Park. It was a great turnout and included at least half of the football team!

Dave stated the paperwork to transfer ownership of the township building to the city has been received and a deed is being created.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso
City Clerk
City of Le Roy