

Village of Laura Council

7:00 PM

February 8,

2021

Attendees: Mayor-Ken James, Council Members- Angi Deere, Chris Foster, Mark May, Paula Jones, Thad Kauffman. Fiscal Officer-Gretchen Slagle, Andrew Johnston.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the January 11, 2021 meeting were previously reviewed and acknowledged. Mr. May made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Kauffman seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Deere-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes, Mr. May-Yes, Mrs. Jones-Abstain, Mr. Kauffman-Yes. The motion passed.

Sheriff Report: None.

Citizens Comments: None.

Solicitors Report: 1. None.

BOPA: 1. The meeting has been postponed until the 16th or 18th of this month.

Old Business. 1. Miami Valley Lighting. Mr. James asked if anyone remembered how many lights were supposed to be replaced per our contract with Miami Valley Lighting. They are to replace some of our mercury streetlights with LED lights for \$50.00 per light. Mr. James thought it was around 72 lights. Our contract is up at the end of 2021. The contract was reviewed and Council thought it was 42 or 45 lights to be replaced. Council agreed to have Mr. James speak with Miami Valley Lighting and go ahead with installation of the rest of the lights, if they are not already installed.

2. Website. Mr. May noted we have 25 email accounts, emails will go to the village account, and then rerouted to council members personal email accounts. Mr. May stated there are three sections to our website: Systems, Records and News, that will have to be maintained by Council. Mr. May has put together technical information that will help council members be able to act as administrators of the site. Ms. Slagle noted she would start a notebook that will be accessible to Council.

New Business. 1. Miami County Council. Annual dues of \$30.00 are due. Mr. Foster made a motion to approve the annual dues. Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Deere-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes, Mr. May-Yes, Mrs. Jones-Yes, Mr. Kauffman-Yes. The motion passed.

2. Sunshine Law Webinar. Ms. Slagle stated she has signed up for the Sunshine Law Webinar on March 10. Elected Officials have to have this training class once during their four-year term. Council can appoint Ms. Slagle to attend the webinar on their behalf. Mrs. Deere, Mr. Foster, Mr. May, Mr. James, Mrs. Jones and Mr. Kauffman all agreed Ms. Slagle would attend on their behalf. Ms. Slagle will present information to Council after the webinar.

3. 129 North Main/Junk. Mrs. Deere had pictures of a car, boat and other items in the side yard of this property. She noted these items are the first things people see coming into town from the west on State Route 571. She would like a letter sent to the property owner asking them to clean up the property. Ms. Slagle will send a letter.

4. Mr. James will be gone March 12-18. Mrs. Jones will not be at the next Council meeting.

Bills. Mrs. Deere motioned to pay the following bills. Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Deere-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes, Mr. May-Yes, Mrs. Jones-Yes, Mr. Kauffman-Yes. The motion passed.

PERS	\$852.10	DP&L	\$1193.22
Frontier	165.41	Ken James	108.76
Gretchen Slagle	427.70	Shipman Dixon	150.00
Amy Elmore	75.00	Jason Hoop	2588.00
RD Holder	482.72	Jim Stubbs, MC Treasurer	603.77
Internal Revenue	546.18	School Tax	124.39
Ohio Dept. Taxation	79.29	Laura Post Office	9.60
Robert Presley	100.00		

Mrs. Deere motioned to close the meeting. Mrs. Foster seconded the motion. All yeas, the motion passed.

Kenneth James, Mayor

Gretchen Slagle, Clerk

PERS	\$822.11	DP&L	\$952.16
Frontier	163.57	Ken James	108.76
Gretchen Slagle	426.45	Shipman Dixon	150.00
Terry Zellers	50.00	Amy Elmore	75.00
OPWC	4643.84	Treasure of State UAN	1633.70
ABCO Printing	195.19	Angi Deere	109.32
Chris Foster	72.47	Thad Kauffman	144.93
Mark May	145.76	Paula Jones	144.93