

Village of Laura Council

7:00 PM

July 10,

2017

Attendees: Mayor- Ed Guess, Council Members- Angela Deere, Chris Foster, Gale Honeyman, Alice Beck, Ken James, Harry McKenna, Fiscal Officer-Gretchen Slagle. Andrew Johnston-Solicitor. Others Present: Doug Baker, Sheriff Deputy Brazel.

Previous Minutes:

Minutes of the June 12, 2017 meeting were read. Mr. James made a motion to accept the minutes with the following corrections: Old Business #1- Mrs. Beck had also thanked Mr. James for his assistance the week-end we rented the dumpster for town clean-up. Old Business #4-the address to send the letter to for the oil in the back yard and the weeds along the back fence is 5 S. Main St. instead of 15 S. Main St. Mrs. Deere seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Deere-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes, Mr. Honeyman-Yes, Mrs. Beck-Yes, Mr. James- Yes, Mr. McKenna-Yes. The motion passed.

Citizens Comments: 1. Doug Baker/Ambulance Board. Mr. Baker was present to let Council know about the new housing development West Milton is going to be building along St. Rt. 571. West Milton will be using a TIFF that would allow a tax deferment for 30 years for those in the new development. The Ambulance Board is concerned about servicing the new development but not collecting any tax revenue from these properties and the impact it would have on the operations of the life squad. Mr. Baker doesn't think this will affect the Village and the ability of the life squad to supply the same services, but it would have an impact on the life squad's budget.

Solicitor's Report: 1. Railroad Property/Barn. Mr. Johnston has a meeting with the County on the 25th of this month.
2. 102 Second St. There is a hearing scheduled next month. Mr. Johnston will contact the Health Department.
3. We've been contacted by a representative of Dollar General Stores about the zoning of Doug Randolph's property that runs on B Street. Mr. Johnston stated that he will be able to handle the zoning for this if we preferred.

BOPA: Mrs. Beck reported the following:

1. Still waiting on Artesian of Pioneer to get phosphate system installed.
2. The Board hired Tony Hunt to replace Mr. Hinkle as the Class I Licensed Operator for the water plant.
3. There are some trees that may need to be cut down on Ludlow St.

Old Business: 1. Fire Department/Donation. Mr. Guess spoke with Daniel Baker. The fire dept. would like to have an attack nozzle; this would allow them to set a hose to spray an area without having to have someone man the hose. The cost of the nozzle is \$2891.00. Mr. Honeyman stated he would be in favor of paying the whole amount instead of the \$2000 that was budgeted. Mr. James noted we would have money from the Ingle estate, we could use some of that money. Mrs. Beck stated we should set a firm amount. Mrs. Deere asked if we could donate another \$1000.00. Council discussed. Mrs. Beck made a motion to donate \$3000.00 to the fire department to purchase the nozzle and whatever else they wished with the remaining money. Mr. Honeyman seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Deere-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes, Mr. Honeyman-Yes, Mrs. Beck-Yes, Mr. James- Yes, Mr. McKenna-Yes. The motion passed.
2. Siren. The siren is fixed, there was a problem with the wiring in the fire house. Mr. Foster asked if there might be grant money available for something like this. Doug Baker will look into this.
3. 106-110 Second Street Pavement/ Hill. Mr. McKenna has the coordinates of 474 North and 524 South for the corporation line around Mr. Puthoff's house on Second St. The street is not wide enough, it's supposed to be 30' wide, the dead tree Mr. Puthoff spoke of is 11' away from the centerline. Mr. Guess noted the East-West streets in town are not 30' wide. Mr. McKenna stated he checked with Wagner Paving for a quote, they are pretty busy.
4. Junk/Junk Car Ordinance. Mr. James asked if Council had a chance to look at the ordinance he handed out a month or so ago. Mr. Honeyman noted that a lot of the things in that ordinance were in our Zoning Code book. Council talked about how to try to get these kind of problems resolved. Mr. Foster suggested letting Council take a look at the ordinance and address it at the next meeting.

5. Bluegrass Band/Park. Mr. James noted things went well that evening. He noted the vendors seemed happy. We received a donation from Clarke’s Pizza for \$50.00
6. Cell Phone Tower. Mr. Honeyman noted that the contract for the tower on Pemberton Road and Horseshoe Bend Road was cancelled because it was too close to the 40th parallel, it would interfere with the equipment on Horseshoe Bend Road that planes use for direction.

New Business. 1. 2018 Budget. Ms. Slagle presented the 2018 Budget for review. Mrs. Beck made a motion to approve the budget, Mrs. Deere seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Deere-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes, Mr. Honeyman-Yes, Mrs. Beck-Yes, Mr. James- Yes, Mr. McKenna-Yes. The motion passed.

Bills:
Mr. James motioned to pay the following Bills; Mrs. Beck seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Deere- Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes, Mr. Honeyman-Yes, Mrs. Beck-Yes, Mr. James- Yes, Mr. McKenna-Yes. The motion passed.

PERS	\$614.99	DP&L	\$1358.41
Frontier	158.37	Linda McKenna	50.00
Gretchen Slagle	378.63	Ed Guess	108.43
Terry Zellers	680.00	Shipman, Dixon	100.00
BWC	121.56	Arens Corp.	45.72
Daryl Duncan	425.00	Mark May	50.00

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

Ed Guess, Mayor

Gretchen Slagle, Clerk