

Village of Laura Council

7:00 PM

March 13,

2023

Attendees: Mark May, Glen McSparran, Chris Foster, Gretchen Slagle-Fiscal Officer, Solicitor-Andrew Johnston. Absent- Mayor-Ken James, Angi Deere, Monte Evans, Others Present-Connie Hinkle.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the February 13, 2023 meeting were previously reviewed and acknowledged. Mr. May made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. McSparran seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May-Yes, Mr. McSparran-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes. The motion passed.

Emergency Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the February 28, 2023 emergency meeting were previously reviewed and acknowledged. Mr. Foster made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May-Yes, Mr. McSparran-Abstain, Mr. Foster-Yes. The motion passed.

Sheriff Report: No Report. Mr. McSparran asked that if the speed trailer was available, we would appreciate it being placed around Dollar General.

Citizens Comments: Ladies Auxiliary/ Easter Egg Hunt. Connie Hinkle stated the Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary was going to do an Easter Egg hunt after the Firemen's Pancake Breakfast on April 1. She asked if Council would consider donating \$150 toward items for the hunt. Mr. May made a motion to donate \$150.00 to the Ladies' Auxiliary for the Easter Egg Hunt. Mr. McSparran seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May-Yes, Mr. McSparran-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes. The motion passed.

Solicitors Report: 1. 25 Laura Circle/Nuisance Ordinance. Mr. Johnston noted Mr. Rex asked for a records request for copies of contracts for himself and Wayne Miller.
2. Board of Elections. The Board needs copies of the minutes when Council and BOPA members were sworn in. Ms. Slagle will send copies to Mr. Johnston.

BOPA: Mr. May reported the following:

1. Shut Off Valves/ St. Rt. 721. The Board has asked if Council might consider some financial help with fixing the shut off valves that sit a little high in the road at the intersection of N. Main Street/Pemberton Road/St. Rt. 751. The snow plow has knocked the covers off the shut offs various times. Since they are on a state highway, the Board thought this might be a way to use some of the money from the State Highway fund. We can get a quote from Wagner Paving and a couple of other businesses.
2. The Board wants to amend the sewer ordinance with provisions for what happens to the septic tank when a house is demolished/abandonment of the tank.
3. 103 Bee Street. The house is being torn down at this address.

Old Business. 1. Curb Painting. No Report
2. Sink Hole/South Main Street Hill. No Report

New Business. 1. Resolution 3-23/Permanent Appropriations. The 2023 appropriations were presented for review. Mr. Foster made a motion to approve Resolution 3-23, Mr. McSparran seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May-Yes, Mr. McSparran-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes. The motion passed.
2. Street Sweeping. Ben Herron from West Milton will try to get a quote to us for street sweeping if we want to sweep the streets. We will table this until next meeting.

Bills. Mr. Foster made a motion to pay the following bills, Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May-Yes, Mr. McSparran-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes. The motion passed.

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| PERS | \$866.51 | AES | \$1603.31 |
| Gretchen Slagle | 431.12 | Ken James | 108.78 |
| Amy Elmore | 75.00 | Shipman Dixon | 607.50 |
| Cincinnati Insurance Co | 75.00 | Twillo | 6.21 |
| Wertz Hardware | 24.98 | Angi Deere | 109.32 |
| Monte Evans | 36.44 | Mark May | 145.76 |
| Glen McSparran | 108.72 | Chris Foster | 144.96 |
| Menards | 45.05 | BWC | 47.00 |
| RD Holder | 728.62 | | |

Mr. Foster made a motion to close the meeting, Mr. McSparran seconded the motion. All yeas, the motion passed.

