

Village of Laura Council

Emergency Council Meeting

7:00 PM

April 24 ,

2023

Attendees: Mayor-Ken James, Council Members-Mark May, Glen McSparran, Chris Foster, Gretchen Slagle-Fiscal Officer. Absent-Angi Deere.

Mr. James stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss two dead trees in front of 105 and 107 N. Main Street and the National Opioid Settlement application.

Ms. Slagle noted there was money available from the National Opioid Settlement against Walmart, CVS, Walgreens and other type businesses. She explained the parameters of the grant money, noting 70 percent had to go toward opioid projects/Narcan, etc., 15 percent toward administration fees, and the remaining 15 percent for other uses. Mr. May asked if we could give the Narcan to our fire department or the life squad. Ms. Slagle wasn't sure. The application would have to be turned in by May 2. Mr. May made a motion to apply for the grant money if it seemed beneficial to the fire dept or life squad. Mr. McSparran seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May-Yes, Mr. McSparran-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes. The motion passed

Mr. James noted Josh Smith from ODOT has contacted him with concern there are two dead trees that should be removed from along St. Rt. 571. The trees are a hazard and should be removed as soon as possible. Mr. Smith noted we receive State Highway funds that could be used for removing the trees.

We received quotes from the following:

Gunkle Tree Service:	\$2800.00
Fitzwater	\$4075.00
Care of Trees	\$3200.00

The quotes were all quoted with the same tasks being performed.

Mr. Foster made a motion to approve tree removal by Gunkle Tree Service. Mr. McSparran seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May-Yes, Mr. McSparran-Yes, Mr. Foster-Yes. The motion passed

Mrs. May made a motion to close the meeting, Mr. Foster seconded the motion. All Yeas, the motion passed.

Kenneth James, Mayor

Gretchen Slagle, Clerk