Village of Laura Council

7:00 PM July 10, 2023

<u>Attendees:</u> Mayor-Ken James, Monte Evans, Mark May, Glen McSparran, Chris Foster. Gretchen Slagle-Fiscal Officer, Solicitor-Andrew Johnston. Absent-Angi Deere.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the June 12, 2023 meeting were previously reviewed and acknowledged. Mr. May made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Evans seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. May - Yes, Mr. McSparran -Yes Mr. Foster - Abstain. The motion passed.

Sheriff's Report: None

Citizens Comments: 1. None

Solicitors Report: 1. None.

25 Laura Circle. Mr. Johnston reported the trial has been postponed due to a scheduling error by Mr. Rex's attorney. The new trial date is August 29 at 1:00 pm. Ms. Slagle noted that Mr. Rex has asked for a public records request emails, Ordinance 10-12, handwritten notes from meetings, and meta data. She noted that the hand-written notes are not a record once they are typed and approved. She has a bound notepad with some of the past meetings handwritten notes, but does not feel they are a public record. Mr. Johnston stated that if we have them, they should be sent to Mr. Rex. Ms. Slagle doesn't know much about meta data, Mr. Johnston noted we don't have them.

BOPA: Mr. May reported the following:

- 1. The Board is starting to work on a multi-year action plan.
- 2. No water tower overflows since the new transducer was installed.
- 3. We're working on documents for a back-up generator grant.

<u>Old Business.</u> 1. Curb Painting. Curb Painting along Pike Street from the crosswalk to the alley at Mr. Foster's house was missed. Mr. Evans made a motion to approve up to \$50.00 to purchase paint to paint the section that was missed. Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. May - Yes, Mr. McSparran -Yes, Mr. Foster - Yes. The motion passed.

- 2. Dumpster. The tires were taken to Saunders.
- 3. 8 School Street/Vacant, Open Door. Mr. Evans locked the door to the house.
- 4. Tall Grass/Bexley Property, South Main St. Mrs. Deere spoke to Mr. Bexley, the property owner, the grass has been mowed.
- 5. Committees. Mrs. Deere would like to come up with a checklist of responsibilities for each Council committee, something that could be passed to the next set of committee members.
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- 7. True-Green. Mr. James has a quote from True-Green for \$1400 to spray the cracks and curbs of the streets for weeds. Mr. Foster made a motion to approve True-Green spraying for weeds, Mr. McSparran seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. May Yes, Mr. McSparran -Yes, Mr. Foster Yes. The motion passed.

<u>New Business.</u> 1. Repeal Ordinance 7-11A Pool Fees/1st Reading. The BOPA has done a cost analysis of our water and determined the costs to treat our water. The Board would like to repeal this ordinance. The proposed ordinance was read.

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

PERS	\$866.51	AES	\$20.67
Gretchen Slagle	431.12	Ken James	108.78
Amy Elmore	75.00	Shipman Dixon	2375.00
Kurt Troutwine	870.00	West Milton	455.00
OnSolve	32.00	Ohio Public Works	2321.92
Treasure of State- UAN	762.00	Twillio	6.35

Mr. Evans made a motion to close the meeting, Mr. Foster seconded the motion. All yeas, the motion passed.			
Kenneth James, Mayor	Gretchen Slagle, Clerk		