

LeRoy City Council

Minutes

May 6, 2024

Mayor Cox called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmen Present were Georgia Eggleston, Terry Tyler, Ricky Yeager, and Bryson Meats. One City Council seat remains vacant.

Mayor Cox proposed a change to the agenda under item #7 in the Mayor's Report. He intended to add a new section 1(a) and include Mr. Ward in this section. Council member Yeager also suggested a modification under new business, particularly regarding policies. He also proposed adding an executive session for 15 minutes after item E of scheduled visitors. Yeager would like to have an executive meeting on non-elective personnel. Mayor Cox sought approval for these additions. Council member Eggleston motioned to accept the agenda with the changes, which Tyler seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Cox requested a motion to approve the April 1 City Council meeting minutes. Meats moved to approve the minutes; Tyler second. the motion was approved 4/0

Public Comments:

Bill Otto

Amy Goracke

Lyle Sherwood

Scheduled Visitors

Cassandra Goodpasture was absent from the meeting.

Christine Williams shared her concerns about the Brown Field Building. She mentioned that the water drainage needs to be addressed soon and filed a complaint about the building's back wall. She proposed that the Brownfield building be included on the monthly agenda under old/new business.

Connie Finical and Wes presented their plans to install a new double-wide or modular building. Mayor Cox expressed his appreciation for their initiative and informed them about the necessary steps. The council, acknowledging their efforts, agreed that they could proceed to the next step if they have all the paperwork in and it is correct, thereby valuing their contribution to the city's development.

Katie and Kevin Bowen discussed the closing of the alley behind their business. They are concerned that their delivery trucks will be unable to navigate if the new alleyway is not rocked.

Dina Salava discussed closing the alley behind her business.

Yeager moved to enter a 15-minute executive session to discuss personnel matters concerning non-elected personnel. Tyler's second motion passed 4-0. The meeting went into executive session at 6:45 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 7:00 p.m., with no action taken.

Mayor's report:

The council visited with Ray Ward in the interest of hiring him as a City Code Enforcement officer. Mr. Ward will work with the city council and the mayor. Ray charges 15.00 an hour and .64 cents a mile. He will use his own vehicle. The mileage starts at his driveway until he gets to town. His hours may vary depending on what needs to be done. Usually, at the beginning of his employment, he will spend more time in town working.

Appointment of the City Clerk: Yeager moved to accept Kim Alexander as City Clerk and Doris Harman as Treasurer. Meats seconded, and the motion passed 4/0.

Aaron Copeland gave his Superintendent report for Parks/Streets/Water

Kim Alexander gave her City Clerks report

Old/New Business:

Jeff Freeman discussed the mural grant and presented the design that will be submitted to the state. The intention is to place the mural on the Brownfield Building.

Tyler moved to give the two new businesses in LeRoy \$250.00, Arnolds Prairie and Miners Garden Market. Meats second. Mayor Cox called for a vote motion passed 4/0.

Mayor Cox recommended a motion to hire Mr. Ray Ward as the City Code Enforcer for \$15.00 per hour and \$0.64 per mile, with a maximum of 20 hours per month. Mr. Ward's responsibilities will include enforcing the city codes. Meats proposed to accept Mr. Ward for \$15.00 per hour plus \$0.64 per mile, with the condition that he would not work more than 20 hours per month unless the city deems it necessary. Tyler seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Tyler moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30. Yeager seconded the motion, which passed 4/0.