LeRoy City Council

Minutes

October 4th, 2021

Mayor Christine Williams called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 PM at City Hall.

Council Members present: Tim Harvey, Terry Tyler, David Houston, Jeff Brite, and Jerry Tiemeyer.

Employees present: Nikki Houston, Aaron Copeland, Rustin Kimmell

Visitors present: Sabin Yanez, Jim Schuessler, Rob McCann, Julie McCann, Julie Patterson, Bryson Meats, Doris Harman, Sarah Stewart, Phyllis Owens, Steve Cox, and Wayne Blackbourn.

Tim Harvey moved and David Houston seconded to approve the September 13, 2021 minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

Jerry Tiemeyer moved and Harvey seconded to approve the October 4th, 2021 agenda with the addition of a 20-minute executive session. Motion carried 5-0.

Scheduled Visitors:

Jim Schuessler and Sabin Yanez, CFS Engineers, updated the mayor and council on the Coffey County Capital Improvement Plan; going over a list of projects overall and initiatives to be pursued and implemented. With that they requested the city to pick two persons to a join (a bigger) working group to represent the needs for LeRoy.

Public Comments:

Sarah Stewart with Love LeRoy listed several events that would be happening: Halloween, Music in the Park November 1st and Jingle & Mingle with the Coffey County Chamber to be November 27th.

Doris Harman thanked the city for cleaning up LeRoy and also expressed her interest in the part-time treasurer position.

Superintendent Copeland submitted a written report and also went into detail about the possibility of switching the city over to self-read meters; with the second round of funding coming to the city (ARPA FUNDS) this could be the perfect time to do such a project. The projected funds of just under $82K could take care of the whole project minus any hiccups that the city may run into. As far as the sewer portion of his report he explained that the average life of a sewer pump being around 7-10 years (roughly) and at this moment the city currently has 2 pumps down. Looking at the life span, ability to rebuild and the costs of all he would like the council to look into getting pumps either rebuilt or possibly new (depending on the cost comparison); with there being several lift stations and at least twice as many pumps, having a backup would definitely be something to be looking at.

Clerk Houston submitted a written report and also informed the council and mayor of the dates she would be gone for Institute (November 8 – 10) and the results of advertising for a treasurer; which led to two very promising candidates she would like the Finance Committee to sit in and interview.

Tiemeyer moved and Houston seconded to recess into a 20-minute executive session with the Mayor, City Council, and Clerk Houston for consultation with the city’s attorney, deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship; pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319 (b), The open meeting would resume in the city council chamber at 7:00 P.M. Motion carried 5-0. Upon returning to open session Tyler then moved to recess into a 10-minute executive session with the Mayor, City Council, and Clerk Houston for consultation with the city’s attorney, deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship; pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319 (b), The open meeting would resume in the city council chamber at 7:11 P.M. Tiemeyer seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Upon returning to open session no action was taken.

Houston moved and Tyler seconded to accept Resolution 2021-8 declaring a Procurement Policy under Grant Agreement No. 21-CR-00 between the State of Kansas Department of Commerce and the City of LeRoy. Motion carried 5-0.

Harvey moved and Tyler seconded to accept Resolution 2021-9 Declaring That the Livestock at 421 A Street a Nuisance. Motion carried 5-0.

Houston moved and Tyler seconded to order two new lift station pumps and a kit for a fire hydrant. Motion carried 5-0.

Tyler moved and Brite seconded to pay all warrants. Motion carried 5-0.

Houston moved and Tyler seconded to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.