LeRoy City Council

Minutes

August 3rd, 2020

Mayor Christine Williams called the meeting to order at City Hall at 6:00 P.M.

Council Members: Employees:

* Jeff Brite (arriving late) Nikki Houston
* Terry Tyler Thomas Robrahn
* David Houston Aaron Copeland
* Kyle Hull Davin West
* Tim Harvey

Visitors: Mallory Luney, Donna Luney, Sarah Stewart and Bryson Meats.

David Houston moved and Terry Tyler seconded to approve the July 6th, 2020 minutes. Motion carried 3-0. Tim Harvey abstaining (he was absent for that meeting).

Tyler moved and Tim Harvey seconded to approve the July 28th, 2020 minutes. Motion carried 3-0. Hull and Brite abstaining as they were both absent that meeting.

Kyle Hull moved and Houston seconded to approve the August 3rd, 2020 agenda with the addition of a 10-minute executive session with council, police and attorney. Motion carried 5-0.

Legal Report – per attorney, Tom Robrahn, Chief of Police West would write up and serve citation for not complying with an ordinance and in turn it would be up to the judge hearing the case on the fines.

Mallory and Donna Luney expressed their concerns with the proposed firework ordinance asking the council to consider changing the dates to June 27th thru July 5th, which is the way they have operated for years. Council agreed. Tyler made a motion and Harvey seconded to allow fireworks to be sold and shot off from June 27th thru July 5th. Motion carried 5-0.

Sarah Stewart, President of LeRoy Homecoming Association, handed out the schedule of events for the celebration and asked if the City would consider donating $1500, as they have in years past, along with supplying the 4 portable toilets for the weekend. Tyler moved and Brite seconded the request. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilman Brite inquired about asking the County to do a traffic study for a no passing zone on F Street. No action was made.

Hull moved and Tyler seconded to enter into a 10-minute executive session for non-elected personnel, regarding a possible litigation issue with council, city attorney and West. Motion carried 5-0.

Police - Davin West, Chief of Police, submitted a written report as well as a short oral report. He had included several policies for council to review and asked to look at adopting them at the September Council meeting. West reported that part-time officer Blake Hanson has turned in his resignation. He has not heard anything back from part-time officer Jeremy Lind despite several attempts to call him. The first month’s documentation with the Governor’s Grant Program have been filed and he has started to request new updated quotes from the companies in hopes to begin ordering equipment requested. He would like to access a laptop to be able to work in his car; possibly check with the grant to utilize funds that way. He has issued 31 OHV Permits (ATV/UTV) but is still waiting on the permits to arrive before he will be able to pull anyone over for not having one.

Superintendent Aaron Copeland submitted a written report to the mayor and council. He added in his oral report that he received a bid from Strawder Construction for the tree removal in front of the business, Spill the Tee. Hull moved and Houston seconded to accept the bid for $515 from Strawder Construction. Motion carried 4-0 with Tyler abstaining. He also submitted a bid from Killough Construction for patching in the amount of $29K and crack fill overlay for $17K. It was decided not to make a decision until the Special Meeting, August 17, 2020, after all council has the chance to look at the problem areas.

City Clerk Nikki Houston submitted a written report as well as a short oral report. She reported that on July 20, 2020 she came in to the office to ultimately find the “switch” was not working properly – it runs the internal network as well as the city’s backup – it was most likely hit from a storm that occurred on July 19th, 2020, she had Advantage come over the same day to install a new one.

Mayor Williams was happy to share the new business in town was now open. She has heard lots of great comments on how the City’s parks and flowerbeds look. She would like to see the nuisance ordinance sent out to all customers to make them aware of what is expected of the city’s residents.

Tyler moved and Brite seconded to give Spill the Tee $250, from the City, for starting a new business in town. Motion carried 5-0.

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

Tyler moved and Hull seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0.