

Village of Laura Council

7:00 PM

February 4,

2025

Attendees: Mayor :Ken James, Eric Stein, Mark May, Jackie Knight Glen McSparran, Absent- Monte Evans, Chris Foster Gretchen Slagle-Fiscal Officer, Solicitor-Andrew Johnston.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the January 13, 2025 meeting were previously reviewed and acknowledged. Mr. McSparran made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Stein-Yes, Mr. May - Yes, Ms. Knight-Abstain, Mr. McSparran -Yes. The motion passed.

Sheriff's Report: 1. No Report. We have a running request for watching for cars running the 4-way stop at Pike and Main Street.

Citizens Comments: 1. None

Solicitors Report: 1. 111 Pike Street/Burned House. Mr. Johnston noted the project was still listed as approximately 90-100 days to completion (razed).
2. 8 School Street. The case against the owner is listed on the docket. But a date has not been determined. There is sometimes a log jam at the Prosecutors Office.
3. BOPA/Mote & Associate Billing. The BOPA has reviewed two recent bills from Mote and Associates for the Back-Up Generator Project. They do not agree with the Beyond Contract charges for the re-bid of the project. The Board considered the rebid an error on Mote & Associates end and don't think we should be billed for the rebid process, and then with in the charges, they charged for a lift station review, the water plant doesn't have a lift station. The Board also questioned a couple of other items listed within the Beyond Contract charges. Mr. Johnston reviewed the contract and the bills. He noted the contract states all changes need Board approval. There is a Quasi Liability law that says if work is done in good faith, then it may be charged. He suggesting contacting Mote and asking them to review the bill.

BOPA: Mr. Stein reported:

1. Back Up Generator. See Solicitors Report #3.
2. Water leak at 10 Pike Street

Old Business. 1. Porta-John. The porta-Jj is supposed to be picked up and any charges to our account removed.

2. 2025 Committees.

Finance-Mr. May, Mr. Foster

Parks-Mr. Foster, Ms. Knight

Streets-Mr. James, Mr. McSparran

Building-Mr. All

Website-Mr. McSparran, Mr. May

BOPA- Mr. May, Mr. Stein

Records Retention -All

Zoning- Mr. James, Mr. Evans, Mr. Robert Presley, Mr. Doug Baker

New Business. 1. Wagner Paving. Wagner Paving has moved, the Pike Street building is empty.

Miami County Council. Mr. May made a motion to approve \$30 annual dues, Ms. Knight seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Stein-Yes, Mr. May - Yes, Ms. Knight-Yes, Mr. McSparran -Yes. The motion passed.

Bills. Mr. May made a motion to pay the following bills, Mr. Stein seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Stein-Yes, Mr. May - Yes, Mr. McSparran -Yes, Mr. Foster -Yes, the motion passed.

PERS	\$852.11	AES	\$1310.78
Gretchen Slagle	444.87	Ken James	108.78
Amy Elmore	90.00	Shipman Dixon	457.50
Twillio	6.60	Wolf Property Services	840.00
Staples	126.95	Miami County Council	30.00
M & T Excavating	2980.00	Jim Stubbs, Miami Co Treas	422.13
BWC	402.00	Treas of State School	138.54
Internal Revenue	515.34	Ohio Dept of Tax	77.72
Laura Post Office	100.00		

Mr. May made a motion to close the meeting, Mr. Stein seconded the motion. All yeas, the motion passed.

Kenneth James, Mayor

Gretchen Slagle, Clerk