

Village Of Lawrence

Regular Meeting
January 11th, 2021
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Call to Order

The Regular Monthly meeting of the Common Council of Village of Lawrence was called to order by President Quick at 7:00 PM via Zoom and live.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Quick.

Roll Call

Present: Glennie, Gritter, Ouzts, Quick and DeLoach.

Absent: Lorenzo

Also Present: Brian Johnson, Donna Spenner, Theresa Stroud, Paul Bianco and Don Hanson.

Additions to Agenda

- Debra Chapman Trustee Application
- Backhoe Repair
- Setting Budget Workshop
- LDFA Appointments
- WODA-Sewer Follow up

Conflict of Interest items

No conflict of Interest

Approval to pay bills and Approval of Consent Agenda and Minutes from December 8th meeting.

Motion by Gritter second by DeLoach to approve bills and meeting minutes.

All I-Motion carried.

No further discussion.

Roll Call: Quick, DeLoach, Ouzts, Gritter, Glennie

Presentations and Guests

County – Don Hanson:

- Breedsville annex
- Sheriffs department to update car
- Covid vaccines in Cass and Van Buren Counties

Township – Donna Spenner

- Thank you to all for donations toward 48th street fire.
- Fire department needs an auxiliary member. Karen and Donna heading up.
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Lawrence Township Emergency Services Report – Chief Mike Anchor

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- Not present.

Reports:

President-Presented by Quick

No Report

Clerk-Everhart

- Addendum to Council Pay.
 - Council paid set rate based on meetings attended.

Motion by Ouzts second by Glennie to approve.

All I-Motion carried.

- Past Due water bills. Balance owed has gone down to 67,246.63. Second notice sent out with bills this month.

Village Manager-Presented by Stroud

- Bloomingdale Communication to start laying cable.
 - 2300 to do project with 5 year agreement or Zero down
- Quote from The Tech to move from Go Daddy. 4,000. Renewal begin mid March.
 - Quick; put in budget workshop

Motion by Glennie; second by DeLoach

Roll: Quick, DeLoach, Ouzts, Gritter, Glennie

All I-Motion carried.

No further discussion.

Police Chief-Presented by Bianco

- Update on vehicle. Recall by Ford but unable to get in due to Covid.
- Job Posting has been posted. Experienced officers only.

No further discussion.

Administration-no meeting

Community Development: presented by Glennie.

- See meeting minutes

No further discussion

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DDA-no report.

Parks & Rec-no report. .

No further discussion.

LDFA-see meeting minutes.

- Appointments:
 - 2 openings at large for LDFA
 - Kim Thompson
 - Mary Webster
 - Lucas Brink from American Cooler

Objections: No

No further discussion

Personnel-Presented by Stroud

- **Employee Evaluations.**
- **2 raises**
 - **Christopher .50 per hour**
 - **Jeff Pera .50 per hour.**
- **2.5% CPI into budget for March 1st.**

Motion by Glennie second by Gritter to approve.

Roll: Roll Call: Quick, DeLoach, Ouzts, Gritter, Glennie

All I-Motion carried.

Planning-presented by Ouzts.

No meeting.

- Approval to send over fence ordinance to attorney for review. Quick; send it over.

No further discussion

PSC-Presented by Johnson.

- Repairs on backhoe; came in under original quote. \$4100.81

Motion by Gritter second by DeLoach to approve.

All I-Motion carried.

Roll: Quick, DeLoach, Ouzts, Gritter, Glennie

No further discussion

- Maintenance tracking equipment.
- Bid for sand/gravel for dump site.
- Zero turn lawn mower. \$2260 split out to major, local, general and DPW.
 - Quick; will be added in budget workshop.

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See You There!

- Crystal Flash is still interested in property. Stroud to look for realtor to get value.

DPW-see meeting minutes.

Redevelopment: -No meeting.

ZBA-no meeting.

New Business.

- Stroud-Bloomington Communication for business park.
- Quick-Discussion regarding unemployment claim by Patty McCarthy-Stejskal. Per Dave; claim will be denied as information submitted on her claim does not match her reason for leaving. Unemployment claim stated due possible exposure to Covid by having to open door to public during office closure but other reasons were provided in her email notification. All future communication with Mrs. McCarthy-Stejskal is being routed through attorney.

Old Business. No

No Further Discussion.

Public Comment: No

Council Comments:

- Gritter-discussion regarding armed employees. Quick; need to get opinion from attorney.

Motion by Gritter, second by DeLoach to adjourn.
All I-motion approved
Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Attest:

Becky Everhart, Clerk

David Quick, President