

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, April 10, 2023**  
**7:00 P.M.**

Lodi Village Council met on the above date for a Regular Meeting with the following Council Members present: Miller, de Luna, Graham, and Ridenour. Surrarrer and Jameyson were absent. Also in attendance were Mayor Robert Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman, Police Chief Keith Keough, and Fire Chief Chris Ridenour.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by de Luna and seconded by Miller to approve the minutes of the 3-27-23 regular council meeting.

Upon roll call: YEAS: de Luna, Miller, Graham, and Ridenour  
NAYS: None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Curtis and Anna Carr were present and discussed disappointment with what they described as aggressive behavior displayed by the village zoning inspector. Curtis reported that their cat went missing a few days ago and their children wanted to do everything they could to locate their missing cat. The children made posters and placed them on utility poles. Curtis was told by the zoning inspector to take the signs down or she would. He felt her approach and conversation was aggressive and unfriendly. He reported that he did not know about the village ordinance prohibiting the placement of posters, etc., on utility poles. Curtis feels the zoning inspector could have used a much more friendly approach and feels we are focusing on the wrong things. Mayor Geissman stated that he will speak to the zoning inspector about her behavior and her approach when addressing zoning issues.

Duane Kenyon, of 242 Janice Street, was present and stated that the zoning inspector has contacted him several times about his trash cans being placed in front of this house. She asked him to move them to the side of the house. He feels that this is an unnecessary requirement. He also stated that the construction work happening behind his property for the new water tank is causing problems for his property. He made a complaint to Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich about the construction work and has not heard back from him yet. Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman reported that Tracy provided the complaint information to the contractor doing the work. The contractor was asked to meet with the property owner to discuss these concerns.

Police Chief Keith Keough introduced Calvin Young to council. Calvin is the newly hired full time police officer.

**COMMMITTEE REQUESTS**

**MILLER – FINANCE AND LEGISLATION**

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by de Luna to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$23,701.25 for the Water System Improvements Contract A project.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Graham, de Luna, Miller, and Ridenour  
NAYS: None

**de LUNA – SAFETY**

A motion was made by de Luna and seconded by Miller for an expenditure of \$69,106.70 for the 2023 Medina County Sheriff dispatch fees.

Upon roll call: YEAS: de Luna, Miller, Graham, and Ridenour

NAYS:

de Luna reported that he received a phone call from a resident asking about the status of the demolition of the house on Prospect Street. Mayor Robert Geissman reported that he received a phone call from the contractor who stated he would begin the process in a few weeks. de Luna also asked about the status of the house that has been damaged from fire on Wooster Street. Mayor Geissman responded that he recently spoke to the owner and the owner was informed that the home needs to be demolished within ninety days.

**GRAHAM - STREETS & SIDEWALKS**

Graham reported that she requested fifty flags from the Lodi American Legion for Lodi streets which will cost approximately \$1,000. Pat presented an idea to the Legion to put the flags up from Memorial Day through July. A motion was made by Graham and seconded by de Luna to put the flags up from Memorial Day through July if the Legion agrees with this concept.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Graham, de Luna, Miller, and Ridenour

NAYS: None

**SURRARRER – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Surrarrer was absent.

**RIDENOUR – PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTIES**

Assemblage requests from Christy Ladina were reviewed for a Canine Carnival to be held in Central Park on May 13, 2023, and the Annual Peddlers Fest to be held on August 19, 2023. Council asked that Christy be notified that all dogs attending the Canine Carnival must be cleaned up after. Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman will notify Christy of this request.

Council Member Graham asked if Deb Indoe was going to plant the flowers in the pots on village square again this year. Ridenour reported that she will be contacting Deb about planting again this year.

Ridenour reported that the fencing at the ballfields at Richman Fields needs to be repaired.

**JAMEYSON – ZONING**

Jameyson was absent.

**MAYOR GEISSMAN**

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that all the new playground equipment from the CDBG Grant has been installed in Lodi Community Park except for one piece. The spinner piece will be installed later in the spring.

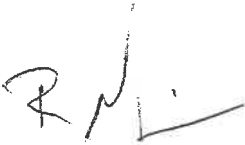
Mayor Robert Geissman reported that the Lodi Community Bridge Grant project is progressing. Required environment review studies for the project are being done.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that the splash pad grant project is going to have to be re-bid due to the extremely high concrete bids that came in. It is hopeful that a local contractor will bid on the concrete work. The village has until next year to complete this grant work.

There being no further action to come before council a motion was made by Graham and seconded by de Luna to adjourn the meeting.

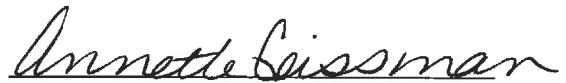
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NAYS: None



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Robert Geissman, Mayor



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Annette Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer