



# TOWN OF *LaGrange* INDIANA

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Meeting Minutes: April 18, 2022

The regular meeting of the LaGrange Town Council met at 6:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall.  
(Also available via Zoom)

**Council Members Present:** Raymond Hoover, Fred Romer, Carolyn Glick, Diane Cameron and Josh Shotzman,

**Also present:** Laurie Miller, Bill D. Eberhard, Jr (via zoom)

President Hoover opened the meeting at precisely 6:00 pm.

Member Romer motioned to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Romer made a motion to approve the minutes from April 4, 2022, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Ray Hoover opened the meeting as a Public Hearing to discuss the closing of the alley for the expansion of LaGrange Family Dentistry. Ordinance #2022-04-18(B) was introduced to vacate the alley. There were no citizen discussion or comment on the closing. Member Romer motioned to close the proposed alley, as outlined in the ordinance on first reading, waiving any other further reading requirements. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance #2022-04-18 (A) was then presented and discussed as "Consent to Encroachment". Council discussed the matter and input from the audience (present at the meeting and via zoom). No comments were made. Member Romer then motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-04-18(A) upon first reading, waiving any further reading requirements. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

President Hoover then closed the Public Hearing and resumed the regular meeting of the Town Council.

Andrew Yoder requested the closing of Spring Street from Detroit to High Street from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm, for the grand opening of "LaGrange Leathers". The shop is for leathers for bikers, they will do a Blessing of the Bikes event on April 23, 2022. Member Romer made a motion to approve the request, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **CLERK:**

- Discussed an agreement between Avail Portable Toilets and the town for the exchange of services. (Port-a-potties at the Town Park, and Septic disposal at the Wastewater Treatment Plant) Attorney Eberhard will review the agreement and make a recommendation at the next meeting.
- Presented March 2022 Bank Reconciliation records for review by the Council Member Romer motioned to approve the documents for signature, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed a Proposed "Fixed Asset Capitalization Policy. The policy updates the Capital Asset Threshold from \$5000.00 to \$10,000.00. Council Member Cameron requested some corrections. Member Romer motioned to approve the ordinance, with the corrections suggested on first reading, waiving any other further reading requirements. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- Presented 2022-04-18(C) - Amending the Fixed Asset Capitalization Policy for fixed assets. Member Cameron requested some corrections. Member Romer motioned to approve the ordinance, with the corrections suggested on first reading, waiving any other further reading requirements. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- Reminded council of spring clean up on April 30, 2022
- Announced Town Wide garage sales set for June 25, 2022

## **WASTEWATER:**

- The second phase of the rotor project is set to be completed
- Spring Street has a collapsed section of pipe, working on the best way to get it repaired.
- Treated 16.024 MG, operating at 29% plant capacity

**WATER:**

- Ligtel has the NW quadrant of town completed for fiber optics
- The construction of the water plant had yet another setback due to a failed pressure test. The issue has been repaired.

**FIRE:**

- Gave a report of details for March 2022

**POLICE:**

- Deputy Matthew Schwartz has begun employment
- After review of the bids for the sale of the 2014 Dodge Charger, Member Romer made a motion to sell the vehicle at the highest bid of \$5500.00 to Nathan Lambright. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**STREET:**

- Member Cameron asked about aging trees along Detroit Street (St Rd 9) It was noted that we would need to contact INDOT to evaluate the condition of the trees.

**PARK:**

- Grand opening for the Skateboard/Bike park will be May 14, 2022

**TOWN MANAGER:**

- Requested that the council waive the granting of a Partial Release of Mortgage from the lender for the parcel owned by Shawn Denny, 621 Hawpatch Street. Member Romer motioned to proceed with the easement purchase without Mortgage lender approval. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- OCRA has approved the Main Street LaGrange application and awarded them a Downtown Affiliate Networks Main Street accreditation.
- Presented a "Statements of Compliance" for ATJ Real Estate Holdings, LLC, Horsing Around Again and Becky & Garry, LLC in regards to Tax Abatements for the yearly requirement. Member Romer made a motion to approve and allow President Hoover to sign the documents, Member Glick seconded the motion.
- API will begin construction on Union Street the week of May 5, 2022.
- HRP will be completing Walnut St soon

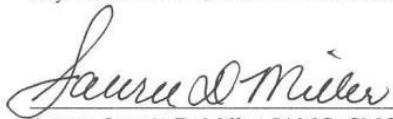
**ATTORNEY:**

- Will be making edits to the Fixed Assets policy and ordinance amendment as requested
- Will have the TIF combining ordinance ready for approval soon.

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:** Member Romer made a motion to approve claims, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN:** Member Romer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

  
Raymond Hoover, Council President

  
Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC  
Clerk Treasurer