

Meeting Minutes - December 17, 2012

The regular meeting of the LaGrange Town Council met at 7:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall.

Council Members Present: Mark Eagleson, Bruce Eagleson, Bill Eberhard, Juan Arroyo, Greg Kenner, Laurie Miller

**Absent:** Ray Hoover

Council Member Kenner made a motion to open the regular meeting with flexibility, Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Kenner made a motion to approve minutes from the December 3, 2012, December 12, 2012 executive & special meetings. Member B. Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>WASTEWATER:</u> Presented the monthly report for November 2012. No violations, plant is running at 23.5% capacity.

<u>Water:</u> Requested sewer adjustments for "My Father's Business" and Janelle Jacobs. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the request, Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FIRE: Breakfast with Santa went well. Approximately \$550.00 was raised and taken to the Food & Clothes Basket along with the non perishable food items donated. Making plans to improve the event next year.

**POLICE**: Presented a monthly detail for the Police Dept.

<u>PUBLIC WORKS (STREET, CEMETERY, PARK)</u>: Has a list of things from EMC Insurance to have repaired within 45 Days at the Town Park. Dean Weir is working on getting quotes to fix a set of steps. It was suggested that Weir co-ordinate fixing the steps with the cement work that will be done at the parking lot downtown.

Requested permission to scrap the 1970 Rodder that has not been used in approximately 13 years. Ron Bills would like to purchase the motor from the unit. Member Kenner made a motion to scrap the unit. The unit is to be weighed before and after removing the motor. Mr. Bills would then have the option to purchase the motor at the price difference. Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The new Bucket truck needed the windshield replaced, NESCO was informed and they will be paying the invoice.

Requested permission for Jim Eberly to take home wood that was cut down at the cemetery. After discussing the issue, the council stated that there should be a sign at the road advertising wood for sale.

Would like to hire Adam Bollinger for part time employment at the Cemetery and Park. He would work no more than 30 hours per week @ \$13.00 per hour. He has passed a background check and can begin employment immediately. Member Kenner made a motion to approve hiring Mr. Bollinger. Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CLERK:** Asked the council to make a motion to sign an Interlocal Mutual Aid Agreement. This was the agreement that Emergency Management Director, Stewart Bender proposed last summer. Member Arroyo made a motion to sign the agreement, Member B. Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presented a resolution to approve Town employees being a part of the Verizon Wireless Federal Govt Share plan. Employees not provided a cell phone could be on the plan and pay thru a signed voluntary payroll deduction. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the practice, Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presented a transfer to the Rainy Day fund in the amount of \$25,000.00. Member Eagleson made a motion to approve the transfer resolution, Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presented the 2013 Wage and Salary Ordinance with the discussed changes from 2012. Member Eagleson made a motion to approve the ordinance, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presented an Encumberance Resolution to cover the contract with DLZ to do the required ADA Plan. Member Eagleson made a motion to approve the resolution, Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY: Presented an ordinance to amend the Town Employee Handbook. The ordinance addresses issues such as Paid time off reimbursement when an Employee leaves employment, banking sick time for sharing with other employees, and Drug/Alcohol testing when an accident occurs. Member Arroyo made a motion to approve the ordinance and make the amendments to the handbook. Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussed the items missing from the Town. It was determined that the Town would report approximately \$1000.00 in missing items. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the Town Attorney reporting that amount to the special prosecutor. Member Eaglson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:** President M. Eagleson requested that the council consider officers for 2013 as well as Commissioners for departments. Member Kenner made a motion that both stay the same as in 2012. Member B. Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussed the Council paying for the 2012 Christmas party.

## ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Member Arroyo made a motion, seconded by Member B. Eagleson to allow claims. Motion carried

## **ADJOURN**

Member Arroyo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Member B. Eagleson. Motion carried.

Mark Eagleson, Town Council President

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, Temporary Clerk