

Meeting Minutes February 6, 2012

# Opening:

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

Council Members Present: Mark Eagleson, Greg Kenner, Ray Hoover, Richard Greene, Bruce Eagleson, Bill D. Eberhard, Mike Rowlison,

#### Absent:

Council Member Richard Greene made a motion to open the meeting with flexibility, Member Greg Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member R. Greene made a motion to approve minutes from the January 16, 2012 meeting, Member Bruce Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President M. Eagleson opened the meeting as a Public Hearing to discuss a grant application to repair E. Michigan Street. Region 3A and Dlz were present to explain the project. \$287,000.00 from Major Moves Funds will be set aside for matching funds for the grant. The project includes repairing a collapsed storm drain. Member B. Eagleson made a motion to move forward with the application and close the public hearing. Member R. Greene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Keith Gillenwater was present to give an update on LEDC. A report was presented to the Council.

Bob Shanahan and Eric Pearson were present to discuss zoning issues at 204 N. Detroit Street. Changing the zoning to B2 would allow more flexibility in how the building could be used. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the zoning change, Member B. Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Heard a report from Focus LaGrange regarding the Chili Shuffle fund raiser. 144 tickets were sold for tasting, with 28 entries.

**WASTEWATER:** Making headway with the generator.

Water: Generator at the water plant is ready for use if needed.

<u>FIRE</u>: Received another DNR grant, matching funds to be transferred from Fire Fighter's Equipment Fund into the Grant Holdings fund in the amount of \$5000.00. New hose will be purchased with this grant.

**POLICE**: No report

Street Dept: No report

<u>Cemetery</u>: Attorney Eberhard presented the council with an amendment to the Cemetery Fees schedule. Changes are listed:

## **Current charges are:**

Burials Monday – Friday \$350, Saturday \$400.00, Sunday \$450.00, Plot and Burial in Baby land \$250.00. Cremations are \$150.00

Lot fees for in town property owners \$ 200.00, Out of Town \$400.00

# Proposed charges are:

Monday – Friday \$400.00, Saturday \$450.00, Sunday \$500.00, Babyland Plot and burial \$300.00 and Cremations \$200.00

Lot fees for in town property owners \$300.00 Out of Town \$500.00.

Member B. Eagleson made a motion to sign the ordinance as is, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Clerk will have Ordinance 2012-2-16 advertised.

Park: Closed

### **ATTORNEY:**

**CLERK:** Requested the council discuss the Fundraiser issue. It was suggested that the fundraisers be rotated and held at the Town Hall, Schlemmer's Hardware, and the Courthouse downtown, one fundraiser per week. Member Hoover stated that his concern is that the Town not present itself in an unfriendly manner. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the guidelines, Member B. Eagleson seconded the Motion.

G. Kenner, B. Eaglseon voting to go with the guidelines presented, R. Hoover, R. Greene, voting no. President M. Eagleson voted yes. Motion carried. The Clerk's office will do the scheduling.

## OPEN DISCUSSION:

## **ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS**

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

## **ADJOURN**

Member Greene made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Member Kenner. Motion carried.

Mark Eagleson, Town Council President

Attest: Michael D. Rowlison, Clerk Treasurer

LAurie D. Miller