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Meeting Minutes - June 15, 2015

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

Council Members Present: Suellyn Mickem, Raymond Hoover, Robert Shanahan

Council Members Absent: Juan Arroyo, Edna Bowser

Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill Eberhard

The meeting opened at precisely 7:00 pm.

Member Shanahan motioned to approve the agenda, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Hoover made a motion to approve minutes from the June 1, 2015 meeting. Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Andrew Lemberis and Corey Van Luchene were present to discuss the salt barn replacement choices. Previously the council had received 4 options on replacing the Street Department Salt Barn that collapsed in May. The Council discussed options and asked several questions. Member Shanahan motioned to adopt Option #4 – which included 8' Tall cast-in-place concrete retaining wall base with wood framed building. Member Hoover seconded the motion, asking DLZ to look into all environmental issues prior to proceeding. Motion carried.

**WASTEWATER:** Presented a monthly report to the council.

- Received & Discharged 11.16 mg of treated wastewater
- Reports to IDM submitted

**Water:** Member Shanahan discussed storage issues with Supt Leu. Leu was directed to have the empty storage barn located at the Town Hall moved to the Water Plant and clean the area in question up before the July 6<sup>th</sup> meeting Leu then gave a report to the council that included the following:

- Worked with the 4H grounds to upgrade water for campsites
- Provided All That Jazz with existing fire flow information for insurance carriers

POLICE: Deputy Sprunger is back to work after worker compensation injury form the summer of 2014.

**FIRE:** Presented a list of hydrant issues to Supt Leu and the council. Many on the list were privately owned hydrants, Supt Leu will contact the owners and see what can be done to correct the issues. Reported that the department will no longer be responding to Nursing Home Medical assist calls. Discussed the need for better emergency alert system. McClish will be looking into a system that is similar to the one in St. Joseph County.

## Town Manager:

Street Dept: Truck rehab is finished and back in service

Asked the council if they want to commit to a donation to the St. Joseph River Basin in 2015. After discussing the request, Member Hoover made a motion to deny the donation, Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried. Also discussed: Façade Grant;, and a tort notice received and denied by EMC Insurance. The LaGrange Co Library has asked to close High Street; between Lafayette and Spring Streets on July 25th from 1-5. Member Hoover motioned to approve the closing, seconded by Member Shanahan. Motion carried.

Member Shanahan discussed taking a group, including Manager M. Eagleson to Fort Wayne to meet with INDOT officials regarding a stoplight at Townline & US 20

Member Hoover discussed an email from Greg Todd, Farmer's State Bank, and a grant opportunity.

**CLERK**: Thanked the Council for allowing for educational opportunities. Presented a resolution for the members of the LaGrange Redevelopment Commission to approve payments from the fund in the amount of \$1440.00. Member Shanahan motion to approve the claims, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ATTORNEY**: Discussed proposed changes in the "Nuisance Ordinance". Presented the "Façade Grant" Ordinance, Member Hoover motioned to approve the ordinance, subject to the approval of the LaGrange Redevelopment Commission. Motion was seconded by Member Shanahan. Motion carried. Eberhard stated that there would be a meeting of the LRDC on July 7th at 6:30 pm.

Presented a "Notice to Bidders" for advertisement of Trash pick up. Member Hoover motion to move forward with the bidding process, Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presented an Ordinance 2015.06.15 – Establishing the process for the Vacation of Public Ways within the Town of LaGrange". The ordinance has been reviewed in the previous 2 meetings. After discussing changes, Member Hoover motioned to adopt the ordinance. Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**: Discussed the vicious dog ordinance presented at the June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. There were many changes that need to be discussed at another meeting.

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Member Hoover made a motion to approve claims, Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Suellyn Mickem

ADJOURN: Member Hoover made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion Carried.