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Meeting Minutes - January 18, 2016

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

Council Members Present: Juan Arroyo, Raymond Hoover, Suellyn Mickem, Edna Bowser, Deborah Naylor

Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill Eberhard

President Arroyo opened the meeting at precisely 7:00 pm.

Member Hoover made a motion to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Mickem made a motion to approve minutes from the January 4, 2016 meeting. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bill Eberhard, Attorney, opened an Ordinance Violation Hearing for Scott & Lisa Jordan. Eberhard brought the council up to date on the ordinance violations notices served to the Jordan's for violations at 502 E Michigan Street. Mr. Jordan was notified of the hearing and asked to attend. Member Hoover made a motion to assess a fine of \$2500.00 for the violations, with a deadline of February 1, 2016 to show proof of attempts to correct the violations. If no attempt is made to correct said violations, the fine will then be \$2500.00 per day. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried. "Order of the Town Board" and "Notice of Hearing" are attached.

WASTEWATER:

- * Received & discharged 8.9844 million gallons of treated wastewater
- ❖ Effluent flows averaged 16% of the design capacity of the wastewater plant
- **❖** No Sanitary overflows or Permit violations
- ❖ Received the 13th annual Safety and Lab Excellence Awards

Water:

Discussed an appraisal for property owned by the Water Plant. The Council is still looking for what the person interested is willing to pay for the property prior to having it appraised.

POLICE:

- Gave a yearend report for 2015
- New computers have been installed in the police cars. They lack a word processing program, Snyder is looking into options to correct the issue.
- ❖ Member Hoover asked for a report of K9 activities be included in future reports.

FIRE: No Report

Town Manager:

- Asked the council to make an appointment to the EDC. Member Hoover made a motion for Mark Eagleson to be the Town's representative, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- * Asked the council to determine whether or not to continue letting the County use the Town Hall as a voting place for Clay Township. As an alternative, the fire station is available, and if used the Town Hall employees could work on election days. Member Hoover made a motion to allow the County use of the Fire Station "meeting room". Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CLERK: The DLGF has approved the 2016 Budget with no reductions.

ATTORNEY:

- ❖ Discussed the franchise with Mediacom
- ❖ Gave a report of ideas for quality of life improvements for Senior citizens in town.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Discussed the house for sale at 214 W Steuben Street. No bids at this time, however, there have been several people interested.
- Discussed renovations in the Town Hall. The Town manager was directed to get ideas for better efficiency and contact contractors for quotes.

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

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

Juan C. Arroyo, Council President

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, Clerk Treasurer