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Meeting Minutes - December 5, 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 Bowser made a motion to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Mickem made a motion to approve minutes from the November 21, 2016 meeting. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nancy Block, representing the LaGrange Farmer's Market was present to discuss a "Strawberry Fun Fair/Fest on June 3, 2017 in the Town Hall Parking Lot. She has met with Fire Chief Dave Elick, as requested by the Town Council. Town Manager Mark Eagleson spoke with All That Jazz about using their parking lot as "overflow parking" for the event. After discussing the event activities and plans, Member Hoover made a motion to approve moving forward with plans, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **WASTEWATER:** No Report

#### Water:

- Working with a possible new customer on Grant Street Extended. Member Hoover made a motion to
  accept the customer if they are willing to sign the annexation agreement, Member Mickem seconded the
  motion. Motion carried.
- Improvements at the water plant required by IDEM have been completed.

# POLICE:

- Working with the Attorney on downtown parking issues
- Discussed 502 E Michigan property and asked for an update
- Working with the insurance company on the car settlement

#### FIRE:

- Gave a report on fire runs for the month
- New helmets are in
- Received 3 new applications for firefighters
- Working with the Fire Dept in Waterloo in regards to the Ford Fire Truck
- Discussed the Santa Breakfast fundraiser

## **Street Dept:**

- Finishing up leaf pick up and preparing for winter
- Considering a 4th employee

### Town Manager:

- Received quotes for a new lawn mower for the Cemetery as follows:
  - 1. Frog Alley Hartford City Indiana \$9345.00 (Includes rebate and trade in)
  - 2. Vangorder Sales Avilla Indiana \$ 8020.00 (includes rebates & trade in)

After discussing the purchase, Member Hoover made a motion to approve the purchase from Vangorder Sales. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

 Received new maintenance agreement from McAllister to maintain the generator at the Wastewater Treatment plant. The quote is for \$6330.00 for 3 years. They are the only area contractor that is CAT certified to do maintenance agreements on CAT generators. Member Mickem made a motion to move forward with the contract, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.

### CLERK:

- Presented Resolution 2016.12.5A –Amendments to the 2016 Wage & Salary Ordinance and 2015 Employee
  Handbook. The changes include clarification of how Personal Time is accrued and when a newly hired
  employee will receive Holiday pay. Member Mickem made a motion to approve the changes, Member
  Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 2016.12.5B 2017 Wage and Salary Ordinance was then presented. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.
- Transfer of Appropriations resolution 2016.12.5C was presented. Member Mickem motioned to approve
  the transfers presented, seconded by member Naylor. Motion carried.
- 2016 Budget Reduction Resolution #2016.12.5.D was then presented and discussed. Member Hoover motioned to approve the document. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### ATTORNEY:

- Working on Parking with the Police Dept.
- Met with the Fire Chief to discuss policy and procedures
- Asked the council if they wanted to form a committee to discuss changes at the Town Park. A committee of
  President Juan Arroyo, Member Deb Naylor, Town Manager Mark Eagleson, Attorney Bill Eberhard, and Clerk
  Laurie Miller was formed.
- Will be presenting an update to the Freedom of Information Act at a future meeting. Working on packets to present.
- No update on Street lighting improvements.
- Discussed the joint venture with the County on sidewalks on Townline Rd.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

None Noted

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

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

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC

Council President

Clerk Treasurer