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Meeting Minutes -February 6, 2017

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, Dustin Glick

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 January 16, 2017 meeting. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Holly Miller & Andy Lemberis of DLZ** were present to discuss the 2017 Street Improvement Projects. Council asked for clarification on the process of choosing which streets were to be included in the improvement project. Dlz stated that there were several ways to judge the conditions of streets. After a lengthy discussion on the project and the Community Crossing Grant program, Member Hoover motioned to do a cost analysis and survey to do East Michigan Street only at this time. The motion was seconded by Member Mickem. Motion Carried. DLZ will adjust the contract and resubmit it for signature.

**Phil Yunker of the Howe Community** asked the council to consider allowing police reserves to help patrol the town square park in Howe due to recent vandalism. The Howe Lions Club has raised money to make a donation to their fund. Council stated they would discuss the issue with the Town Marshal Rich Snyder.

# WASTEWATER: N/A

### Water:

- Finished 12.375 MG of water in January
- High Service Pump delivered
- Generator serviced
- Discussed the upgrade to radio read meters
- Presented a sewer adjustment for Nicole Bond, 420 Hawpatch. She had a waterline burst in the basement, used a sump pump to pump the water out. Member Mickem motioned to approve the adjustment, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## POLICE:

- Presented a details report for the council for January 2017
- Deputy Stewart will graduate from Police Academy on February 16, 2017
- Discussed transferring one of the older police vehicles to the fire department
- Discussed the sale of the Impala currently used as a pool vehicle.
- Council asked if Snyder had considered adding a Chief Deputy Marshal position. Snyder stated that he is
  considering it, but would like the council's involvement in the decision.

#### FIRE:

- 40 fire calls for the month of January
- Waterloo has returned their inter-local agreement with payment. The truck will be taken to them by Grate's Wrecker
- Rescue 98 will be picked up from Huntertown this week
- Discussed two new applicants (volunteers)

# Town Manager:

- Jordan property (502 E Michigan) has been sold. They have signed an agreement to make the following improvements
  - a. No out front parking lot, parking shall be moved to the present location of the garage
  - b. Present garage and front stairway will be removed from the property
  - c. Exterior of the property shall be cleaned and made appealing, and the exterior of the residence shall be renovated by either paint or siding. All exterior work shall be completed and approved by the Town of LaGrange on or before August 1, 2017.
    - Member Hoover made a motion to accept the agreement with the stipulations stated, and accept the \$5000.00 fine. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Spring Clean up has been set for the last weekend of April 2017
- Working with Ken Dunn of Mobilitie regarding the tower they requested.
- Presented an annexation stipulation signed by Aaron & Aja Fugate, 170N 010W LaGrange. Member Hoover made a motion to accept the stipulation agreement, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented permit application for buried cable from Centurylink.. Member Hoover motioned to approve the application, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed a contract with Cintas for uniforms, rugs and other items. Will be taking bids for a new contract. Council would also like to see employees photo id's updated. Member Hoover made a motion to send Cintas the required 60 day notice that the contract will be up for bid this year. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Asked the council to consider closing Spring and Michigan Streets on June 17, 2017 for the annual Courthouse Classic 5K. Member Hoover motioned to approve the closing. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### CLERK:

- Presented the council with adjustments to correct billing errors (water/sewer billing). Member Mickem made a
  motion to approve the adjustments. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Gave each council member fund reports and Bank Reconcilement reports for each account for the Town of LaGrange.

ATTORNEY: N/A

### OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Noted that Preferred Auto has closed their business.
- Discussed how to market another chain restaurant in town
- Working on Townline Road lighting and sidewalks

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

**Allowance of Redevelopment Claims:** Member Mickem made a motion to approve RDC claims, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC

Council President

Clerk Treasurer