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Meeting Minutes - February 5, 2018

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

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

Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill D. Eberhard, Jr

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

Member Edna Bowser motioned to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Deborah Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Suellyn Mickem made a motion to approve minutes from January 16, 2018, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Holly Miller, DLZ gave an update on the Community Crossing Grant and the Railroad Street projects. Would like to proceed with advertising for bids for Railroad Street. Member Mickem made a motion to proceed, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried. Also asked the council to set a special meeting to discuss 2018 projects. DLZ will send a choice of meeting dates that they would be available to attend.

Larry Dickenson representing the LaGrange United Methodist Church was present to discuss the possibility of the Town partnering with the church on new curbing for Spring, Mountain and Lafayette Streets. The Lagrange Co Library is willing to participate in this project. Member Bowser motioned to table the decision to get more information, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER:

• Provided a quote to Town Manager Eagleson to present to the council for the installation of the Wonderware software upgrade from Industrial Control Systems of Sturgis MI. They are the only authorized installer in the area. The quote was a cost of \$4360.00. Member Bowser motioned to approve the installation cost, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Water:

- Reading sewer only meters
- Attended an IDEM, Treatment and Systems workshop

POLICE:

- Presented a report of 2017 details.
- Tyler Smoker finished with ILEA

FIRE:

- Ladder 14 is in need of valve repairs Quotes were received from 1. Hoosier Fire & Safety \$932.00 (presented as an estimate only, truck would need to be taken to Valparaiso or McCordsville IN.) 2. 1st Response Fleet Svc \$432.45 Repairs done at our fire station. Also requested from Herb Fire Equipment, but did not receive a response. Member Bowser motioned to have 1st Response do the repairs, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- New Mobile 800mhz radio needed for Grass Truck 15. The only vendor this is available from is Rocky Mountain Radio at a cost of \$895.00. Member Naylor motioned to purchase the radio, Member Bowser seconed the motion. Motion carried.

STREET:

Attended pipeline safety training

Town Manager:

- Requested that the council make an appointment to the Region 3A Board. Member Bowser made a motion to reappoint Town Manager Mark Eagleson to the Board of Region 3A. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried
- Discussed the project at US20 & ST RD 9, presented by LHS Seniors. Asked the RDC Council for permission to
 contract Bill Eberhard to oversee any legal documents. Council suspended their regular meeting to discuss the
 issue as the RDC Board. RDC Member Mickem motioned to authorize the hiring of Bill Eberhard, RDC Member
 Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried. Member Mickem then motioned to return to the regular council
 meeting. Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented an annexation stipulation for Jerry and Mary Ann Yoder, property located on 25N or Michigan St extended. Member Mickem motioned to approve the stipulation, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.

CLERK:

- Presented January 2018 Bank Reconciliation reports to the council Member Mickem motioned to verify that the records were reviewed and balanced. Member Bowser seconded the motion.
- Reported that the Town has received their 2018 1782 Notice from the DLGF. Our budget has been approved, with the exception of \$1485.00 in the Cumulative Capital Improvement Fund.
- 2017 Annual Report is finished and ready for legal advertisement.

ATTORNEY:

Working with the clerk on handbook changes. Presented a rewritten paragraph concerning sick time
accumulations. Council requested wording changes, the attorney will get those put together. Member Naylor made
a motion to then accept the new employee handbook, after noted changes are made, Member Bowser seconded the
motion. Motion carried.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

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

Clerk Treasurer