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Meeting Minutes - February 19, 2018

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

Council Member Edna Bowser made a motion to approve minutes from February 5, 2018. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Hearing - Closing of Alley

LaGrange County Attorney, Kurt Bachman presented the council with a petition to vacate the alley located between Lots 4 and 5 in Block 19 of the Town of LaGrange. Bachman presented reasoning for closing the alley, and what the property will be used for. Notices were published as required by State law. County Surveyor, Rex Pranger presented a plat map of the area and was available to answer questions. The proposed building will meet all county set back requirements as well as any zoning issues. Member Hoover then made a motion to suspend/waive any further readings of the ordinance to vacate the alley in question (#2018-02-19) and to approve the alley vacation as presented. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Brett Bateman – LaGrange Youth Baseball: Reported that the league appreciates the use of the Town Park ball diamond, but, sees some needs for upgrades. They would like to purchase Break away bases and a portable pitching mound. The total cost of the items would be approximately 1500.00. Member Hoover motioned to approve the purchases, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER:

- Asked IDEM to waive the storm water requirement, it was approved, saving the department \$500.00 per year in testing fees.
- Plant is working at 20% capacity
- No overflows or parameter violations.

Water:

- Worked with Bob Maas to fix a service leak
- Sewer adjustment application for Carney Frost Funeral home. Member Hoover motioned to approve the adjustment, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE: No report

FIRE

- Rescue 10 has been recertified, good until 2020
- Attended Leadership seminar
- Fish Fry set for April 7th from 4-7 at the Fire Station.
- New tables have been delivered.

STREET:

- Snow Clean up
- Will need a new paint striper, cost is estimated at \$1500.00. Will bring quotes to a future meeting.

Town Manager:

- Had the floor of the Cemetery truck repaired.
- Asked for approval to apply for a planning grant to look at needs for a new water treatment plant. Approval
 granted.
- Discussed an ordinance regarding cleaning up after pet waste
- Town was awarded a LPA Grant in the amount of \$3,044,000.00. There will be a 20% match for the grant.
- Triad working with the High School Seniors on the 9/20 project
- Meeting set for Wednesday, February 21st at 6:00pm to discuss 2018 Community Crossings grant application with DLZ

CLERK: No report

ATTORNEY:

Presented an offer of \$23,077.00 to pay the fire bill for the Family Dollar fire. The attorney recommended accepting
the offer. Member Bowser made a motion to accept the offer as stated, Member Naylor seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- President Arroyo asked the council to consider a donation to Junior Achievement. Member Hoover motioned to donate \$200.00 to the group. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Fire Chief Elick discussed applying for a DNR Grant.

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

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

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Arroyo Council President

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC Clerk Treasurer