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Meeting Minutes - March 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, 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 Naylor made a motion to approve minutes from March 5, 2018. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER: Jeff Moore presented the following report:

- Received/discharged 17.574 million gallons of treated wastewater
- Flows averaged 0.628 MGD, for 35% of the design capacity
- Reports submitted, no sanitary sewer overflows, no violations.
- New employee working out well.

Water: Supt. John Leu presented the following activity:

- Drawing SOC and Nitrate samples for testing
- Two main valve insertions went well and are complete
- Brown Park water services turned on
- Generator serviced
- Member Hoover reminded Supt Leu of rules of safety on excavation sites. Asked the department to remain vigilant on adhering to safety guidelines
- Also asked that the south pumping station be cleared of unusable debris.

POLICE: Marshal Snyder:

• Marshal Snyder gave a details report on February activity

FIRE: Chief Dave Elick:

- Attended the Supporting Heroes Gala
- Generator serviced, it is auto tested weekly. Discussion of future needs of a larger generator took place.
- Discussed the sale of 2 generators that were donated by the Hospital in the 1990's. It was noted that Billman Propane had installed 2 propane tanks, they were sold with the equipment in 2014. They are requesting reimbursement for the tanks, at a fair market value of \$500.00 \$700.00 each. Council tabled the reimbursement to gather more information.
- The Fire department requested authority to rent a 100KW generator for their annual Fish Fry fundraiser in the amount of \$350.00. It would be rented from the Amish community. Other quotes for a rental were obtained as follows: MacAllister \$385.00 for the weekend, we would have to pick it up in Ft Wayne, and return it. Sunbelt Rentals \$500.00 per day. Council will make a decision at the next meeting.

STREET: Mike Rosendaul reported the following:

- Getting the park ready for Little League, received bases and pitching mound.
- Gave an activities report for March 5- March 16, 2018
- Sweeping and cleaning storm drains beginning this week.

Town Manager: Mark Eagleson presented the following:

- Asked the Council to consider a temporary/seasonal employee for the Water Department. Held a discussion of what that person would be responsible for and hours to be worked. Member Hoover made the motion to move forward with the position as soon as possible, at a rate of \$12.00 per hour, with no benefits. It will be reviewed at a later date. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed the purchase of a pre-owned truck for the Street Department. Bids were:
 - 1. Indianapolis Trucks 2008 GMC Sierra for \$31,530.00 with approximately 10,000 miles and equipped with a blade
 - 2. Indianapolis Trucks 2008 Chevrolet Silverado 3500, 90,258 miles, no blade for \$22,990.00
 - 3. Robert De-Nooyer Chevrolet in Holland MI, 2010 Silverado 3500, 49000 miles, no blade for \$49,000.00
 - 4. Ganley Cheverolet of Aurora OH 2018 Chevrolet Silverado 3500; 45 miles, no blade \$57,266.00

To equip a truck with a blade, it would cost \$8000.00 - \$10,000.00. Member Bowser made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2008 GMC Sierra for \$31,530.00 from Indianapolis Truck. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

• Also working on closing the 2017 Community Crossings Grant (Michigan Street) and applying for the funds for the Railroad Street project.

CLERK: Laurie Miller reminded the council of upcoming events; Spring Clean up -April 27 & 28th, Town Wide Garage Sales -April 20& 21st. Also, there is an AIM Round Table meeting at the Essen Haus on Wednesday, April 18th.

ATTORNEY:

- Discussed Ordinance 2018-03-19(A) Designating a "Handicap only parking space" on the South Side
 of Spring Street, first spot east of the north/south alley. After discussing the parking issue, Council
 Member Hoover motioned to waive all further readings of the ordinance and approve the ordinance
 as presented. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented a seconded ordinance #2018-03-19(B) "Establishing Rules and Regulation for Pet Waste".
 Council discussed various aspects of the proposed ordinance prior to Member Bowser motioning to accept the ordinance as presented, and waiving any further readings. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Clerk will advertise the ordinance per statute.

OPEN DISCUSSION: None

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.

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC

Clerk Treasurer