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Meeting Minutes:

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

Council Members Present: Raymond Hoover, Fred Romer, and Catie Gayheart

Also present: Tiffany Bontrager, Bill D. Eberhard, Jr (by phone)

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

Member Romer motioned to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Romer made a motion to approve the January 6 minutes, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### WASTEWATER:

- Received & discharged 14.672 million gallons of treated wastewater
- Effluent flows averaged .473 MGD, 26% of the design capacity
- MRO and NetDMR have been submitted to IDEM
- Land Application Monthly Report has been submitted to IDEM
- One Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO)
- One parameter violation of the NPDES Permit
- 40 work orders completed
- Zero sewer work orders completed

## WATER:

- Repaired the drain line for the south tower with help from the Street Department. Next step is inspection.
- Member Romer motioned to table the inspection until Mark Miller can get estimates from the other two companies that include cleaning, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Repaired leak on South Poplar Street, leaked at about 10 gallons/minute. Mark Miller recommends that the Town commits to doing a leak survey. Provided a chart that compares gallons treated vs gallons sold; the non revenue numbers has increased, and leak detection will possibly help us lower this number.
- Member Romer motioned to table discussion on leak detection, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## FIRE:

- Member Romer motioned to approve \$300 each for 4 members of the Fire Department to become certified instructors, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Member Romer motioned to approve Fire Chief Elick to attend the Supporting Heros Award Ceremony in Kentucky, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ordering tickets before February 1 will result in cost savings.

## POLICE:

• No report

# STREET:

- They have been patching potholes
- Helped the Water Department repair a leak
- Trimming branches in the roadway
- Lots of snow moving and removal

# CLERK:

- Having issues with our software program, so claims are not prepared. Invoices to be paid after the fix are available
  for the board's review.
- Work sessin is scheduled for Monday, January 27 at 5:30 PM

### TOWN MANAGER:

- Locked in the diesel rate at \$2.79/gallon one cent lower than last year. He is still working with Ceres Solutions to try to lock in our fuel price. It continues to run 15 to 20 cents per gallon higher than last year's reate of \$2.20/gallon.
- Mark Eagleson attended the Northeast Indiana Mural Project meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup>. He continues working with Phyllis Youga with the CVB, the EDC, and the Regional Partnership on obtaining possible sites in town for the mural. September is about the time the artwork will happen.
- Received the Pre-Final Design for the Walnut Street Project from DLZ on the 10<sup>th</sup>. The Notice of Bids will be published in the newspaper. We will open bids at the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.
- Farmers State Bank contacted Mark regarding their parking lot located south of Wayne Street next to the one-way
  alley running behind the post office. They are willing to transition this lot to the town. By obtaining the parking lot,
  we would be able to seal the south end of the alley and direct the traffic back through the parking lot and onto
  Wayne Street.
- Member Romer motioned that the Town looks into the Farmers State Bank offer to transition the parking lot. Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Mark received a request to close Spring and Michigan Streets from 6 AM to 11 AM on Saturday, June 20, 2020 for
  the Courthouse Classic Road Race. Member Romer motioned to close the street as listed in the request. Member
  Gayheart seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Member Romer motioned to allow Raymond Hoover to sign the IDEM Application for the water permits outside
  of a council meeting once they are prepared by DLZ. Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### ATTORNEY:

Nothing additional to what has already been discussed.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

No discussion

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

ADJOURN: Member Romer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

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Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC

Clerk Treasurer