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Meeting Minutes: Monday, March 30, 2020

The LaGrange Town Council held a Public Hearing to discuss the Water Utility Improvement Project at 7:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall. Council also advertised a "Special Meeting" to discuss other topics following the Public Hearing.

Council Members Present: Raymond Hoover, Fred Romer, Catie Gayheart, Diane Cameron and Carolyn Glick

Also present: Laurie Miller and Bill D. Eberhard, Jr (via Zoom)

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

Shannon McCleod gave a presentation on the process of applying for a CDBG Grant. It was noted that because the town services out of town customers, there would be a need for an income survey. Also needed is an environmental study and possibly an Archeological study. There should be a meeting of the clerk, town manager and Baker Tilly to discuss how much of Town funds are available to contribute to the project.

Discussed a SRF (State Revolving Funds) loan, USDA Loan and other options. After completing the presentation of water utility needs and what needs to be done to apply successfully for the CDBG Grant, McCleod recommended applying during the second round of applications. She also recommended a survey to random customers that are outside of town limits. Also would like approval to seek out quotes for the Archeology Study. We will likely know if we need to move forward with the study by April 15th.

A tentative timeline was mentioned as follows

- 1. Finalize Section 6, and wrapped up by June 30th
- 2. 2nd Public Hearing in Mid August
- 3. Letter of Conditions from the State Revolving Fund Sept 15th
- 4. September site visit
- 5. Submit application
- 6. Awarded by Thanksgiving (notification)

TOWN MANAGER:

- Resolution 2020-03-16, Closing offices to the public has been edited and ready for council signatures. This was approved at the March 16th meeting.
- Ordinance 2020-03-30A Creating an Emergency procedure for meetings. This will also Zoom meetings and
 council member can attend electronically. Includes provisions to allow for votes, make policy and allow accounts
 payable vouchers. It will only apply during emergency situations. One person must be at the meeting location to
 run the meeting. Member Glick made a motion to approve the ordinance upon first reading, waiving all further
 readings. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried. All members voted yes.
- Presented Ordinance 2020-03-30B- This is an amendment to the "Fair Housing" ordinance previously adopted in 2004 (2004-019A) Member Romer made a motion to approve the ordinance upon first reading, waiving all further readings. Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Member Glick stated she is working with Robbie Miller of the LaGrange Plan Commission on permits and other requirements for the town park project. Would like guidance on the parking lot, we must have at least one ADA compatible parking space. Member Romer made a motion to approve the larger parking area proposed. Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Member Cameron asked about the section of Townline Rd, south of the new stoplight. The Town manager stated that when the street department can purchase hot asphalt, they will be attempting to repair it.

Member Romer requested an update on Poplar Street.

Holly Miller, DLZ, noted that the PER Public Hearing will need to be set for April 20, 2020 at 6:30 pm. Member Romer made a motion to approve the hearing date and time, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

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Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC

Clerk Treasurer