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Meeting Minutes: November 21, 2022

The regular meeting of the LaGrange Town Council met at 6:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall. (Also available via Zoom)

Council Members Present: Raymond Hoover, Fred Romer, Carolyn Glick, and Josh Shotzman

Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill D. Eberhard, Jr (Zoom) Charity Murphy

President Hoover opened the meeting at precisely 6:00 pm.

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

Council Member Romer made a motion to approve the minutes from November 7, 2022 and the executive session on October 18, 2022, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Eric Ivory, HIMCO (Borden Waste Away) gave a presentation on the benefits of a community wide trash hauler. Council indicated interest in the idea and would keep the company in mind should they decide to move forward.

Robbie Miller – LaGrange County Plan Commission gave the council information on an application to re-zone property on the east side of town. She was looking for the councils' opinion on the project. After hearing details, Member Glick made a motion to give an unfavorable opinion to the project, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion passed with Member Romer voting no.

CLERK:

- Presented an ordinance to amend the rates and charges for Services at Greenwood Cemetery. Option A was raising lot fees, opening and closing fees by 100.00 each, and foundation fees set at .75 per square inch. Option B was to raise fees by \$125.00 and foundations fees set at .75 per square inch. Member Glick made a motion to set the fees with "Option A". Member Romer made a motion to set fees at "Option B". Original motions died due to lack of response. Member Glick then again motioned to set the fees using "Option A" upon first reading, waiving all further reading requirements. Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried, all members voting yes. The ordinance was numbered 2022-11-21 (A)
- The 2023 Wage and Salary Ordinance was then presented as Ordinance #2022-11-21 (B). Member Glick motioned to approve the ordinance upon first reading, waiving any further reading requirements. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ordinance was approved.
- The 2023 FireFighter Pay agreement was then presented. This is the same agreement as in 2022, and would be a "verification agreement only". Member Romer made a motion to approve the agreement as it stands. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried. Member Shotzman abstained from the vote.
- The Clerk reminded the council of upcoming events: Breakfast with Santa, December 3rd and Town employee Christmas party December 17th

WASTEWATER:

• Reported revenues of \$145,000 from Septic Haulers in approximately 18 months.

WATER:

• Updated council on various projects

FIRE:

 Presented quotes for replacement air packs – Donley Safety \$14318.00 and MacQueen Emergency Equipment \$14807.66. Member Romer motioned approval to make the purchase. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried. Member Shotzman abstained.

POLICE:

• Introduced the newest deputies to the Council - Patrick Shears and Austin Hall.

STREET:

• Report updating council on work activities

Cemetery:

• Report updating council on work activities

TOWN MANAGER:

Presented an application for Tax Abatement from Solar Freeze, LLC. The abatement is for 5 years, \$350,000.00.
Member Romer motioned to approve continuing the abatement process with Ordinance #2022-11-21 (D). Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY:

• Working on the cell phone use waiver for employees choosing to carry their own equipment and use it for Town of LaGrange business.

OPEN DISCUSSION: None noted

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

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

Raymond Hoover, Council President

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC

Clerk Treasurer