



TOWN OF *LaGrange* INDIANA

Laurie D. Miller, Clerk/Treasurer
Mark W. Eagleson, Town Manager
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Meeting Minutes: July 3, 2023

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, Diane Cameron, Josh Shotzman, and Edna Bowser

Also present: Laurie Miller, Charity Murphy, Mark Eagleson

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

Member Bowser motioned to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Bowser made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from June 19, 2023; Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Andrew Yoder, LaGrange Leathers, requested street closing (Spring Street; from Detroit to High St) for July 15, 2023 from 2-6 pm for a fundraiser event. Member Bowser motioned to allow the closing, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tim Shoemaker, 306 Hillside Drive was present to discuss driveway and parking issues. Mr. Shoemaker presented a petition to ask the council to rescind the ordinance that prohibits parking in grass in town. Council accepted the petition and stated they would table the matter until a future date. Member Bowser requested a Public Hearing to discuss the issue with residents of town. The hearing was set for Monday, August 7, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

CLERK:

- Set dates to have a Public hearing for the 2024 Budget (September 18th) and Adoption Hearing (October 2nd)
- Read an excerpt of the July 6, 1993 minutes in which Miller was hired by the Town of LaGrange (30 years ago)

WASTEWATER:

- Provided a report for review

WATER:

- Update on the Water Treatment plant construction, Hawpatch Street and other projects

STREET:

- Provided a report of work completed for the Street dept and the Park

FIRE:

- Provided a monthly details report (June 2023)
- Requested approval to purchase eight tables for the training room. Quotes were obtained from Amazon (\$189.99 each, BYBLIGHT \$189.00 each Uline \$345.00 each. Member Bowser motioned to purchase the tables from Amazon at \$189.99, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried. *Member Shotzman abstained from the vote and discussion*

POLICE:

- Marshal Snyder presented quotes for the following gear:

5 - Ballistic shields level 3-A with viewport: (Handgun certified)

Battlesteel.com- \$3100.00

RTS Tactical- \$3723.00

American Blast systems- \$3965.00

2 - Ballistic shields level 3 with viewport: (Rifle certified)

Battlesteel.com- \$2500.00

RTS Tactical- \$3187.00

American Blast systems- \$3347.00

7- Tactical headsets for our police radios w/headset adapter:

GYDEHUT Store- \$1215.00

Galls \$1350.00

Jenkins \$1430.00

1- Blackhawk Backpack Entry tool kit:

Galls \$559.00

Jenkins \$626.00

LAPG Store \$728.00

Total cost \$7374.00

Member Bowser Motioned to purchase the gear at \$7374.00 (lowest bid on each item), Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Cemetery:

- Report provided for review

PARK:

- New benches are in and are being installed.
- Discussed vandalism at the park.

TOWN MANAGER:

- Reported on the cost of 2023 Spring Clean up (\$6680.25)
- Night to Shine has requested permission to have "Food Truck Friday" on September 29, 2023 from 11:00 am until dusk. Member Bowser motioned to approve the event, Member Sholtzman seconded the motion carried.
- The Fountain Church will be asking for a conditional zoning variance to use the Clark Logic offices on Poplar Street for church services and a possible daycare, they would like a letter from the council in favor of the variance to present to the Town Board of Zoning Appeals. Member Bowser motioned to approve the request, Member Sholtzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented pay request #24 from Ottenweller Contracting in the amount of \$370, 324.20. Member Cameron motioned to allow President Hoover to sign the documents, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Attorney Eberhard made adjustments to the proposed sidewalk ordinance. A copy was presented. President Hoover requested the ordinance be tabled at this time.

ATTORNEY:

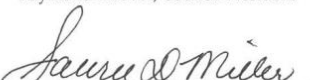
- Updated the council on the following issues:
 1. Econo Motel violations
 2. County Zoning interlocal agreement
 3. Miller Retaining wall
 4. Trash specs (possibly available at the next meeting)

OPEN DISCUSSION:

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

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


Raymond Hoover, Council President


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