



TOWN OF *LaGrange* INDIANA

Laurie D. Miller, Clerk/Treasurer
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Meeting Minutes: November 20, 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, Carolyn Glick, Diane Cameron (via Zoom), Josh Shotzman, and Edna Bowser

Also present: Laurie Miller, Mark Eagleson, Bill Eberhard (via Zoom)

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

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

Council Member Glick made a motion to approve the regular meeting and the Executive meeting minutes from November 13, 2023; Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CLERK:

- Presented October 2023 Bank Reconciliation Reports, Member Glick motioned to accept and approve the documents. Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented a request from Lake Area Designs to refund wastewater charges on their account. There was an error in billing in the amount of \$2346.69 (1565.44 in Sewer charges and 781.25 in General Improvement charges). After discussing the issue, Member Bowser motioned to approve the refund, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented Ordinance 2023.11.20A to increase the septic disposal fees and add a fee for connected sump pumps. A Public Hearing was set for December 18, 2023 at 6:00 pm. Notice will be published.

WASTEWATER:

- Report provided from Supt Helmuth.

Street Dept:

- Report provided

WATER:

- Update on water plant construction

FIRE:

- Assistant Chief Grobis presented a report of fire incidents for 2023.
- Member Shotzman requested the council discuss the 2023 Firefighter wages agreement. Member Bowser motioned to approve the 2023 Firefighter pay agreement presented to council. Member Glick seconded. Motion carried Member Shotzman abstained from vote due to conflict.

POLICE:

- Reported another police officer has given notice of resignation. Marshal Snyder asked for approval to begin the hiring process. Member Glick made a motion to approve the request, Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried.
- Announced that a donation commitment of \$7235.70 for rifle suppressors. Member Glick motioned to accept the donation, Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried. Monies will be receipted into the Police donation fund, then the invoice will be paid from there.

Cemetery:

- Report provided

TOWN MANAGER:

- Presented an Amendment to Labor Standards Contract #2023-01 for Kleinpeter Consulting Group for the Water Plant Construction. Member Glick motioned to approve the Amendment. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed having Baker Tilly do a Water and Wastewater rate study in 2024

ATTORNEY:

- Working on the following:
 1. Miller's Retaining wall
 2. Econo Motel (30 Day Order coming to a close soon)
 3. Policy for part time police security work

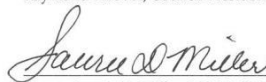
OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Discussion of gift for Police Reserves. Member Bowser made a motion to purchase a \$25.00 gift card as a thank you for volunteering on the Police Reserves. Member Glick seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion on year end pay for Full time and Part time employees. Member Bowser motioned to give year end pay in the amount of \$125.00 to full time employees and \$75.00 to part time employees. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- IN regard to Menards rebate checks, Member Glick made a motion to approve the clerk using the rebates to purchase gifts for the Town Employee Christmas party. Member Bowser seconded, Motion carried.

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

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


Raymond Hoover, Council President


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