



# TOWN OF *LaGrange* INDIANA

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Meeting Minutes: February 5, 2024

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, Josh Shotzman

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

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

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

Council Member Glick made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes dated January 16, 2024, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ryan Ottenweller, representing Ottenweller Contracting updated the council on the water plant construction, delays, and new final completion dates.

## **CLERK:**

- Presented December 2023 Bank Reconciliation for Council review and approval. Member Glick made the motion to acknowledge the report has been received and reviewed, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented an Encumbrance Resolution #2024-02-05 in the amount of \$5,101.62 for fire uniforms from Brateman Uniforms. The purchase was committed to in 2023 per purchase order #408. Member Glick motioned to approve the encumbrance, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried. Member Shotzman abstained from vote due to conflict.

## **WASTEWATER:** Report only

### **Street Dept:**

- Working with the County Highway Dept on street projects **list**

### **WATER:**

- Asked for council's approval on taking the Lakeland Building Trades class on a tour of the new water plant. President Hoover noted that it is a construction site, they will all need to wear protective gear.
- Discussed the need for alarm systems on fire protection in buildings.

### **FIRE:**

- Discussed bringing turn out gear quotes to the next meeting
- Would like to list the Dodge Charger for sale
- Working on FEMA Grant
- Discussed paying firefighters for calls during training classes.

### **POLICE:**

- Reported an injury to one of the officers
- Brought on a new reserve officer; Preston Lancour
- Worked with the fire department on DT classes
- Looking at Flock Cameras for the Department
- Presented a Certificate of Commendation to Deputy Marshal Zachary Anderson for outstanding work during a shooting incident in the County.

**Cemetery:**

- Requested approval to purchase a lawn mower from Weaver Outdoor LLC in Avilla Indiana for a cost of \$13,923.00. The oldest Cemetery mower would then be transferred to the Street Department. There would not be a trade in this year due to the need for an extra mower for the new water plant property. Member Glick motioned to approve the purchase as stated, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**TOWN MANAGER:**

- Presented pay request #31 from Ottenweller Contracting (Water Plant Construction) in the amount of \$81,126.27. Member Glick motioned to approve and sign the request, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Recommended moving forward with preparing a contract and ordinance for Town trash pick up to be an added service. Member Glick made a motion to approve the recommendation, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Recommended a new engine for the Water Dept 2014 Dodge truck. The cost is approximately \$10,000.00, and includes a warranty. Member Glick motioned to approve the new engine, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Would like to revoke the Ligtel blanket bond due to non-payment of damages to a sewer main during boring. Member Shotzman motioned to approve the revocation of the bond, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Hawpatch Street phase 2 will begin March 11, 2024

**ATTORNEY:**

- Updated council on all pending projects, including: Econo Motel, Detroit & Central projects; and the retaining wall issue

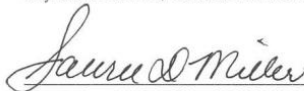
**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

- Discussed the need for sidewalks on Nursery Street to the Schools.

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

**ADJOURN:** Member Glick 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