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Meeting Minutes: September 15, 2025

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, and Edna Bowser

Also present: Laurie Miller, Mark Eagleson, Reagan Penick Via Zoom: John Marlow; Mike Duffy, Bill Eberhard

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 dated September 2, 2025; Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Opened the meeting as a hearing for the 2026 Town of LaGrange Budget. Clerk Miller gave a financial report of the proposed budget and noted that the adoption hearing is set for Monday, October 6, 2025 at 6:00 pm. There were no questions or comments noted, President Hoover closed the hearing to move on to the regular Council meeting.

Darci Gaff, representing Main Street LaGrange discussed plans to add food trucks at the Halloween & Heroes event on October 23<sup>rd</sup> and requested the closing of Spring, High and Michigan Streets for the event. Member Glick motioned approval on the requests, Member Cameron seconded. Motion carried.

### CLERK:

- Set Halloween Trick or Treat hours as Friday, October 31st from 5:30-7:30 with a motion from Member Glick and a second by Member Shotzman. Motion carried
- Presented August bank reconciliation reports that were approved by motion from Member Glick and seconded by Member Shotzman. Motion carried.
- Discussed the annual fundraiser "Breakfast with Santa" scheduled for Saturday December 6, 2025 from 8:00 am until 11:00 am. Member Glick motioned to continue the event, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented possible dates for the 2025 Town employee Christmas party. Member Bowser motioned to move forward with December 13, 2025, Member Cameron seconded.
- Inquired about employee evaluations to set wages for 2026. An executive meeting was set for Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm.
- Met with Scott Vanderbeck, LCYC, to discuss steps on running a crowd funding grant campaign. Would like to have the council commit to donating the funds donated to our park for a pickleball park from Focus LaGrange (\$1500.00). Council discussed the issue, no decision was made.

Water: Provided a report updating the council on various projects.

Discussed putting a plan together for lead line replacement. Will be working with the Attorney and Town
Manager on an ordinance to outline what the town will be responsible for and what the property owner
can expect from the process.

Wastewater: Provided a report updating the council on various projects.

# Fire:

- Brought quotes to repair the generator on Tower 10. Edwards Generator \$13,514.00 and 1<sup>st</sup> Response \$13705.25. Member Shotzman motioned to approve Edwards Generator to do the work for \$13,514.00, after looking into a possible warranty. Member Glick seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussed repairing an issue with the horn on another truck. Council advised Chief Edwards to get additional quotes from other vendors and bring back to the council.

#### Police:

• Brought a quote for two Grapplers for the new vehicles at \$16,671.76. Marshal Snyder has raised \$14,100.00 to pay for the equipment and is asking the town to pay for the remaining \$2571.76. Member Glick motioned to allow for the expense. Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried. It was noted that Grapplers are made and sold by only one company at this time, therefore, no other quotes were procured.

# Street: Provided a report updating the council on various projects.

Asked the council for approval to purchase new Christmas lawn figures for the Town hall. The Santa/Mrs
Claus is no longer working properly. Member Bowser motioned to begin the search and bring options to
the next meeting. Member Glick seconded. Motion carried.

Park: Provided a report updating the council on various projects.

**Cemetery:** Provided a report updating the council on various projects.

#### TOWN MANAGER:

- Update on the Title V1 was presented. Member Glick motioned to approve the new plan, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.
- Non-Discriminatory statement also presented. Member Glick motioned to approve the statement, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried. Member Glick also motioned to give Town Manager Eagleson the authority to obtain Council signatures on documents in relation to the ADA Transition and Title VI plan as needed outside of a Council meeting if needed. Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussed the American Flag at the corner of US20 & State Rd 9. The entity currently providing the flag is
  no longer able to do so, Eagleson requested authority to fund raise to replace the flag 2-3 times per year at
  a cost of approximately \$400-\$450 per flag. After discussion, Member Glick made a motion for the Town
  to purchase the first flag and then look into fund raising. Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY: Working on various projects

**OPEN DISCUSSION:** Marshal Snyder inquired about the possibility of closing the alley behind the Post office due to traffic safety concerns. Attorney Eberhard was directed to work on an ordinance to do so.

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:** Member Bowser made a motion to approve claims. Member Cameron 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