



Laurie D. Miller, Clerk/Treasurer
Mark W. Eagleson, Town Manager
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LaGrange Town Council Meeting

Monday, February 16, 2026

Present: Raymond Hoover, Edna Bowser, Joshua Shotzman, Laurie Miller, Mark Eagleson, Reagan Penick.

Council Member Absent: Diane Cameron, Carolyn Glick

Via Zoom: Bill Eberhard

The meeting began with Member Shotzman motioning to approve the agenda, Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried. Member Shotzman then motioned to approve the minutes from January 20, 2026, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.

Casey Irwin (DLZ Engineering) provided an overview of information in regards to applying for Water and Wastewater SRF loan applications. He reviewed the future needs of both departments, which included replacement of aging infrastructure and lead line replacement. Member Bowser motioned to move forward with the applications. Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried. Resolution #2026-02-16(B), a signatory authorization for the wastewater SRF application was presented. Member Bowser motioned to approve and sign the document as presented. Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried. Resolution #3036-02-16 (C), the signatory authorization for the water SRF application was presented. Member Bowser motioned to approve, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

Michael Duffy (DLZ Engineering) updated council on the 2026 Community Crossings Grant projects. The Agreement with Pulver Asphalt was presented for signature. Member Bowser motioned to approve the agreement, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried. Contractor's Bid for Public Work form #96 was then presented, Member Bowser motioned to approve signature on the form, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

Town Manager Mark Eagleson then presented an updated Fair Housing Ordinance, numbered at 2026-02-20(A). Member Bowser motioned to approve the ordinance upon first reading, waiving all reading requirements. Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

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- Presented Resolution to Encumber Funds, #2026-02-16 (A); after discussion, Member Bowser motioned to approve the encumbrance from 2025 into 2026. Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.
- Council reviewed the January 2026 bank reconciliation reports. Member Bowser motioned to approve them as presented, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.
- Requested approval for 7 firefighters to attend training at Trine in Angola on February 21, 2026 at a cost of \$100.00 each. Member Bowser motioned approval, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.
- Would like to attend the spring Clerk's Institute in Plainfield Indiana from March 8-March 12. Member Bowser motioned to approve, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussed a scheduled round table meeting with AIM on March 19, 2026 at the Essen House in Middlebury. Members Hoover, Bowser and Shotzman would like to attend.

- Discussed a donation to Junior Achievement. Member Bowser motioned to donate \$100.00 to the group, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried

Town Manager Eagleson

- Discussed deadlines to be set for 2026 CCMG projects.

Department Reports:

- Each department supervisor submitted a report updating council on projects completed. In addition to the reports,
- Supt Marlow requested funds to repair the roof of the Street Dept salt storage building. Eicher & Son \$22,600.00; Bontrager Builders \$43,025.00; Shetler Construction \$30,365.00. Member Bowser motioned to award the work to Eicher & Son for \$22,600.00, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.
- Town Manager provided quotes for 3 sets of Turn out Gear and air packs for the Fire Department. President Hoover asked council to table the purchase for further information from Chief Edwards.

Next steps

- Set a meeting with the Township trustees in regards to Fire services.

Open Discussion: None noted

Attorney Bill Eberhard /Reagan Penick

- Presented and discussed various coded ordinance updates and additions. Atty Penick will bring back to the council for reading at the next meeting.

Member Bowser then made a motion to approve accounts payable vouchers presented, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

Member Shotzman then motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.


Raymond Hoover, Council President


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