Laurie D. Miller, Clerk/Treasurer
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LaGrange Town Council Meeting

Monday, March 16, 2026

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

Council Member Absent: Diane Cameron

Via Zoom: Bill Eberhard Jr; John Marlow

Supervisors Present: Richard Snyder; Mark Miller, Zach Anderson, Sue Detweiler

Others Present: Mike Duffy, Sherry Johnston

The meeting began at 6:00 pm with Member Shotzman motioning to approve the agenda, Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried. Member Shotzman then motioned to approve the minutes from March 2, 2026, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.

Sherry Johnston gave a presentation on accomplishments and goals of LaGrange County Economic Development.

Mike Duffy, DLZ, gave an update of CCMG projects. Duffy requested approval of signature on documents regarding the projects, including SRF Applications; PER in progress outside of a regular meeting, by Raymond Hoover, Mark Eagleson or Laurie Miller. Member Glick motioned approval, Member Bowser seconded.

Clerk Treasurer Miller – presented February bank reconciliation reports. Member Bowser motioned approval of documents as presented, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

Town Manager Eagleson – Presented the Asset Management Plant Engagement letter from Baker Tilly for approval/signature. Member Glick motioned to approve signatures, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

Reported that Bob Shanahan has agreed to be the Town's appointee for the County Alcohol Beverage Commission. Member Bowser motioned to approve the appointment, Member Glick seconded. Motion carried. Also reported that Cindy Swihart has agreed to be nominated as the town representative to the County Health Board. Council asked for her name to be submitted to the county for approval.

Bob Shanahan has requested approval to utilize the towns 75/25 sidewalk grant program to upgrade his sidewalks in town. The Town's portion would be $877.50. Member Glick motioned to approve the application, Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried.

Department Reports: Received from the Street, Water, Wastewater and Fire Departments.

St Supt John Marlow also presented a quote for park mulch in the amount of $4,250.00, which includes spreading the mulch. Member Glick motioned to purchase the product, Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Edwards requested approval to purchase 3 sets of turn out gear from Dinges Fire at the quoted price of $16, 829.55. Other quotes were: Hoosier Fire – not complete or the same type of gear; Lions did not respond. Member Bowser motioned to approve the purchase from Dinges Fire, Member Glick seconded. Motion carried. Also presented quotes for tires for Tanker 17, to replace 6 of 8 tires. Hostetler Tire $2673.50; Tire Star $2542.00; Boland Tire – no response. Member Glick motioned to approve the purchase from Hostetler Tire, noting that they are a local business, Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried.

Attorney Bill Eberhard /Reagan Penick:

Penick presented an ordinance to address site development plans for review. The ordinance was numbered 2026-03-16(A). After council discussion, Member Bowser motioned to approve the ordinance pending an amendment adding language to allow Town Manager Eagleson to approve smaller projects without issue. Commercial, Industrial and multifamily dwellings would need to follow the ordinance. Member Shotzman seconded. Motion carried.

Discussed a proposed bulk water rate ordinance as presented. Council tabled so they could review the ordinance. A public hearing will be set at a later date.

Reviewed the cash handling policy, including non-sufficient funds, and the penny shortage issue. Member Glick motioned to move forward with putting it into ordinance form for the next meeting. Member Bowser seconded. Motion carried.

Other old business discussed: Closing the alley west of the Post office. It has been determined that more research is needed due to unforeseen circumstances. Closing the alley may not be feasible. Received more information on the UTV ordinance and Nuisances ordinances.

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 Glick. Motion carried.

Raymond E. Hoover

Raymond Hoover, Council President

Laurie D. Miller

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC

Clerk Treasurer