

Meeting Minutes - April 7, 2014

The regular meeting of the LaGrange Town Council met at 7:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall.

Council Members Present: Greg Kenner, Bruce Eagleson, Juan Arroyo, Ray Hoover

Also present: Laurie Miller, Clerk Treasurer; Dustin Glick, Attorney

Absent: Suellyn Mickem

President Kenner opened the meeting at precisely 7:00 pm.

Council Member Arroyo made a motion to approve minutes from the March 17, 2014 meeting. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER: No Report

Water: Installed 3 new services with directional boring, reported that the frozen lines are

thawing, reports for the DNR and IRUC are complete and sent in.

<u>FIRE</u>: Presented quotes to fix the drainage issue in the Fire Station as follows

M&M Foundations: \$8346.50 Hoosier Foundation \$7500.00 Shelter Construction \$9987.00

Council discussed the repairs, it was asked about the paint finish and when that would need to be repaired Chief McClish stated that the floor paint would be done at a later date. . Spruerer's quoted \$4066.00 for painted grate covers. Member Hoover made a motion to approve Hoosier Foundation to do the drainage repairs and to purchase painted grates. Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried

Reported that he met with the roofing contractor today (April 7th) and the roof overall is in good condition for its age. They will be fixing the leaks that are causing the problem reported at the March 17th meeting soon. The Dept has added 2 more firefighters, bringing the roster to 30.

There will be a fish/chicken fundraiser on April 19th. Member Hoover asked the Fire Chief to put together a simple details report for each meeting.

POLICE: No Report

PUBLIC WORKS (STREET, CEMETERY, PARK):

Park - Robert Eymer is back to work cleaning up the park. Working on getting the restrooms to ADA standards. Also working on the ball diamond for the Youth League to use it this year.

Cemetery – Presented a details report, this included how many burials there were for March and other tasks. Adam is working with Jim Eberly to prepare for the CDL test.

Streets - Presented a details report that included how many pot holes have been repaired, brush pick up, work orders for sewer/storm line issues and locates.

Will be sending the dept for a free safety seminar on Aerial lifts and chain saw safety.

CLERK: Presented to the council a proposal to change how the Utility bills are processed and sent out. The office will still calculate billing, then send to our software provider (Keystone/Boyce Consulting Group), the bills will then be printed on a $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 11$ paper and mailed to customers with a return envelope. There will be an additional charge of .19 per envelope sent, customers with more than one account will only get one envelope. Keystone/Boyce has a bulk mailing permit that will bring the

mailing cost down some. This is the first step in bringing the billing online for customers to view. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the change. Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Requested approval for street closings on (Michigan & Spring Streets) June 21^{st} and (Canal Street) July 5^{th} for local events. Member Hoover made a motion to approve both closings, Member Arroyos seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY: Presented Resolution 2014-04-07A a findings resolution with All That Jazz (ATJ). Member Hoover made a motion to approve the resolution. Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried. Also discussed the renewal of the Dometic abatement. President Kenner suggested that someone may want to see if Dometic is in compliance with the agreement criteria. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the renewal, Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presented an updated "sidewalk obstructions" ordinance for the council to review.

Set a Public Hearing for the Greenwood Cemetery Annexation for Monday May 5, 2014 at 7:00 pm. Member Arroyo made a motion to approve the hearing, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presented Resolution 2014-04-07B outlining procedure for department supervisors to contact the Clerk prior to bringing large purchase requests to the council meetings. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the resolution, Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Town Manager: Working on: Sidewalk Grant with Weaver & Boos; Safety lights are now on the new water truck, Health insurance quotes will be coming in soon. New employee, Mark Miller started on the 7th. Asked the council about proceeding with the Woodland Hills sewer line project. Working with Supt Leu on getting the backwash tanks, the second quote is much lower.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Member Arroyo made a motion, seconded by Member B. Eagleson to allow claims. Motion carried

ADJOURN

Member B. Eagleson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Member Arroyo. Motion carried.

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