

Meeting Minutes - June 18, 2012

Opening:

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

Council Members Present: Mark Eagleson , Greg Kenner, Ray Hoover, Richard Greene, Bill Eberhard Michael Rowlison

Absent: Bruce Eagleson

President Mark Eagleson opened the meeting as a public hearing to proceed with a tax abatement for M&E Investments (Spectrum Finishing). Keith Gillenwater of the LEDC spoke in favor the abatement. After discussing what the company does and how they operate, Member Kenner made a motion to proceed with the abatement. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Richard Greene made a motion to open the regular meeting with flexibility, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member R. Greene made a motion to approve minutes from the June 4, 2012 meeting, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Juan Carmona asked the council to approve major renovations to his downtown building. The council discussed the issue and Member Hoover made a motion to approve the permit authorization for Mr. Carmona, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>WASTEWATER-</u> Presented May's report. Discussed the proposed sewer line being installed from Howe. Member Kenner made a motion for Jeff Moore to talk to an engineer to see what would need to be done to accommodate extra bio solids at the plant. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussed roofing repair work on plant buildings. Presented quotes for metal and shingled roofs. The Council asked Moore to find out what the warranty would be on both and report back at the next meeting.

<u>Water:</u> Received quotes on a new high service pump as follows: Northern Pump & Wells \$11,305.0, Northern Pump \$10,250.00. Supt Leu recommended Northern Pump and Wells. Member Hoover made a motion to purchase as recommended, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>FIRE</u>: It was stated that the County is under a "Burn Ban". Member Greene made a motion to follow the same ban in Town. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE: Presented a monthly details report.

Discussed "Children at Play" signs, the council stated that they would rather see signs at each entrance to town stating that "Children are at play".

Presented quotes for a new copier as follows:

Business Impressions: \$3489.00 & \$2282.00

VanAusdall & Farrarr: \$2980.00

Executec Demo unit \$1600.00 or new \$6918.00

After gathering information from each sales rep, Marshal Snyder recommended purchasing the larger unit from Business Impressions @ \$3489.00. Member Kenner made a motion to go with the recommendation, Member Green seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Street Dept: Clerk Rowlison stated that Supt McBride is recommending the council award the bid to API. They can begin work on Wednesday, June 20th. Their bid was - API - 93,165.65. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the recommendation. Member Greene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Member Hoover made a motion to table the bid award until the St Supt can review the bid documents and report back. Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Cemetery: No report

Park: No report

ATTORNEY: Discussed the State's new Anti Nepotism Law. Member Hoover requested that some changes be made to the current town ordinance. It was discussed that Elected Members could not have relatives living in the same household be employees of the Town of LaGrange. Atty Eberhard will have the ordinance re-worked and bring it to the Town Hall for signatures. Member Kenner made a motion to approve this, Member Greene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Spoke with LoraLee Taylor regarding the parking lot engineering. Will report back as soon as he hears anything about the project.

CLERK: Presented an amendment to the 2012 Wage & Salary Ordinance. This was to increase wages for the "Chief Deputy Marshall", Mike Sprunger by \$3900.00 per year and Deputy Clerk Laurie Miller's hourly rate to 21.95 per hour. The amendment will be numbered 2012-06-18B. Member Hoover made a motion to approve and sign the amendment, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Clerk will make the necessary changes to the wages.

Clerk Rowlison and Deputy Clerk Miller will be attending the annual ILMCT conference on June 25 – 27th. The Town Hall will be closed on the 27th.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Member R. Greene made a motion, seconded by Member Kenner to allow claims. Motion carried

ADJOURN

Member Greene made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Member Kenner. Motion carried.

Mark Eagleson, Town Council President

Aftest: Michael D. Rowlison, Clerk Treasurer