

Meeting Minutes - August 4, 2014

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

Council Members Present: Juan Arroyo, Raymond Hoover, Suellyn Mickem, Edna Bowser

Also present: Laurie Miller, Clerk Treasurer, Bill Eberhard, Town Attorney

### **Absent: Gregory Kenner**

Vice President Arroyo opened the meeting at precisely 7:00 pm.

Council Member Hoover made a motion to approve minutes from the July 21 meeting. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **WASTEWATER:** No report

<u>Water:</u> Presented a sewer adjustment for 3000 gallons of untreated water on behalf of Edgar Coe. Member Mickem made a motion to approve the adjustment, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried. Also reported that the department incorporated a tap into a water main, pumped 13.5MG of water in the month of July. Mark Miller starts Water Treatment and Distribution training tonight (August 4<sup>th</sup>), two nights per week for three months.

<u>FIRE</u>: Presented the council with a price for refinishing the fire station floor after the new grates are installed - \$2626.50. The council previously approved doing the project.

Chief McClish, Town Manager Mark Eagleson and Firefighter Mack Grobis went to Ohio to view a pre-owned Ladder Truck, the cost of the truck is \$325,000, but will need approximately \$100,000 in additional upgrades. The council discussed what the department wanted to add to the truck and what the truck currently has for included equipment. Bloomfield Township Trustee, Bill Pipher and Clay Township Trustee, Bill Connelly were both present and expressed interest in the truck. Member Hoover made a motion to move forward with an advertisement to purchase a Ladder Truck for the Department, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Trustees will meet with their boards and report back to the Town Council.

<u>POLICE</u>: Reported that Deputy Dubea had a traffic stop that resulted in a significant drug arrest.

# PUBLIC WORKS (STREET, CEMETERY, PARK):

Park- Fencing being repaired, still working on getting the restrooms ADA compliant. Reported an electrical issue at the North East Pavilion, has contacted an electrician to get it repaired.

Street: Gave the council a quote of \$5806.00 from Rejuvetec to repair 1500' of streets in town. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the quote and move forward, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried. Also presented a quote for \$588.00 to order a nozzle for the Sewer Vactor to clean out roots. The Council asked for 2 more quotes.

Quotes were also presented for a "Hotbox" to do hot patching on streets. This will be a more permanent fix than the cold patch.

STEP New Equipment/LP/2 Ton/Dump Bed \$14,161.00

New Equipment/Diesel/ 3 Ton/Dump Bed \$\$25,138.00

Falcon New Equipment/Diesel/2 Ton/Dump Bed \$21,048.00

New Equipment/Diesel/4 Ton/Dump Bed \$23,968.00

Marathon Used Equipment/Diesel/3.3 Tone/Auger \$48,830.00

Pavement Group Used Equipment/Diesel/4 Ton/Auger \$26,500.00

Weir has talked to other departments that use this type of equipment and recommends the Falcon 2 Ton with Dump Bed @ 21,048.00. Member Bowser made a motion to make the purchase, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussed line safety training/certification for the Street Dept Employees. The cost of the training is \$800.00, they would come to us, and we could invite other communities and recoup some of the cost. It was suggested that REMC may be able to do the training at a lower fee, or free thru the Town's Worker Compensation training program. Weir asked for permission to proceed with the requested training if the other options are not available. Member Hoover made the motion to approve his request, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Town Manager:</u> Thanked the Trustees for attending the meeting on short notice. Reminded the Council about the "Civil War History Day" scheduled for Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, discussed the "Mini Cooper's Take the States" tour that is scheduled to come thru town on Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>. It was reported that there could possibly be 500-800 cars coming thru the area. Commended the fire chief for looking at the pre-owned fire truck, and his search for other options on equipment.

CLERK: Presented a county authorization permit for Juanna Dominguez. They are planning a new drive at 501 E Spring Street. After reviewing the details of the project, the council tabled the matter and asked the Ms. Dominguez attend the next council meeting to explain the project.

Discussed the IACT meeting on August 21st from 4-8 pm and the IACT conference in Fort Wayne September 9-11th.

**ATTORNEY**: Council discussed the Hillside Drive parking ordinance. They would like to look into the matter further and discuss the issue with the residents.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

#### ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Member Hoover made a motion, seconded by Member Mickem to allow claims. Motion carried

# **ADJOURN**

Member Hoover made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.

Gregory Kenner, Council President

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