



TOWN OF  
*LaGrange*  
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Meeting Minutes -April 6, 2015

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, Robert Shanahan

**Also present:** Laurie Miller, Bill Eberhard

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

Member Mickem made a motion to approve the agenda, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Bowser made a motion to approve minutes from the March 16, 2015 meeting. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Richard Yoder, representing the LaGrange Food and Clothes Basket, was present to ask the council to consider allowing the group to install a well and septic system at their proposed location on RailRoad Street. It would be a financial burden to get the services to the property. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the request, Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Clerk will send Mr. Yoder a letter stating the council's decision.

**WASTEWATER:** Quotes were presented for new lab probes:

USA Bluebook	\$834.00
NCL Labs	\$843.20
Pollard Water	\$941.56

Member Hoover made a motion to approve the purchase from USA Bluebook, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Water:** Presented sewer adjustments for Duann Huffman (31000 gallons) and Kathy Clinton (20000 gallons). Member Hoover made a motion to approve the adjustments, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Also noted:

- Fixed a leaks at Lightning Hill Apartments; on Lafayette Street
- Two new services behind the hospital
- Delivered samples and with stanadard results.

**POLICE:** Presented quotes for 2 sets of tires:

LaGrange County Dodge	\$598.00 x2
Hostetler Tire	\$602.00 x2
Tire Rack	\$924.00 x2

Member Hoover made a motion to approve the tire purchase from LaGrange County Dodge, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Quotes were presented for a K-9 door popper:

K-9 Elite:	\$609.95
Ace K9.com	\$609.95
Fleet Safety	\$881.95

Member Bowser made a motion to purchase from K-9 Elite, Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Treasurer also stated that the Police Department has received several donation for the purchase of a K9 and equipment. Donations were being deposited into the Local Law Enforcement Continuing Education fund, however it has been discovered that the Town does have a "Donation/Grant" fund that was never closed. The

clerk would like to transfer those donation into the Donation/Grant fund. The amount in question is \$3135.00. Member Hoover made a motion to transfer the funds, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**FIRE:** No Report

**Town Manager:** Discussed selling the 1973 Ladder Truck. Member Hoover made a motion to move forward with advertising after approval from the Bloomfield and Clay Township Trustees. Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Also discussed:

- Putting together a Standard operating procedure for accidents involving Fire Trucks and all other town equipment.
- Street Dept patching and putting together a list of street improvements for 2015
- Working on finding a contractor willing to do the proposed sidewalk improvements along Detroit Street
- Member Hoover noted that the Cemetery looks well maintained.
- Discussed INDOT's plans for Central Avenue in 2017. Would like to approach Senator Sue Glick to ask for a stop light at Townline & US 20.
- Met with All That Jazz regarding a proposed project
- Presented completed Tax Abatements from Yoder Wood Products and Dometic with a recommendation to approve them for another year. Member Bowser made a motion to approve both abatements, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed mowing Spruerer Field - Member Mickem made a motion for the Town to continue mowing for this season, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CLERK:** Presented a permit authorization for Patricia Trinh to install a new driveway at 706 Meadowbrook Lane, and Gary McDonald to add an addition to 214 N Canal Street. Member Hoover made a motion to approve both requests, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ATTORNEY:** Working on the Town's Redevelopment Plan to include building improvements.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:** Getting closer to cleaning up the property adjacent to the park that has a tree on it.

Discussed the \$500.00 quote policy. After discussing options, Member Shanahan made a motion to modify the policy to allow the Town Manager to approve purchases up to \$2500.00. Purchases should still have 3 quotes. Purchases above \$2500.00 will need to come before the council. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Town manager will make a report to the council on purchases approved by his office monthly.

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Member Hoover made a motion to approve claims, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**ADJOURN:** Member Hoover made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

  
John C. Arroyo, Council President

  
Attest: Laurie D. Miller, Clerk Treasurer