



TOWN OF
LaGrange
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Meeting Minutes - June 1, 2015

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

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

Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill Eberhard

Absent: Bob Shanahan

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

Council Member Bowser made a motion to approve minutes from the May 18, 2015 meeting. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Attorney Eberhard opened the sealed bids for the sale of a 1973 Aerial Ladder Fire Truck. The Council received one bid for \$850.00 from CNC Laser, Inc. The Town Manager noted that he had a quote for scrap at \$900.00. After discussing the issue, Member Mickem made a motion to reject the bid and keep the truck until further notice. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steve Wertman of Insurance & Financial Services gave a presentation on the Town Employees Health Insurance program and renewal. Quotes were received from PHP (current plan); Anthem and US Health. After a question and answer period, Member Mickem made a motion to approve the renewal from PHP #0415, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER: N/A

Water: Gave a report of the following:

- ✓ 12.85 MG of water in the Month of May
- ✓ Mark Miller passed 2 certification exams.
- ✓ Presented two sewer adjustment applications
 1. Carole Bell - 13,000 gallons of untreated water
 2. Dorothy Wilkinson - 52,000 gallons of untreated water -Member Hoover made a motion to approve both adjustments, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried

POLICE: N/A

FIRE: N/A

Town Manager: Gave the report of the following:

- ✓ WA Jones will be finishing up with the Street Dept vehicle repairs soon
- ✓ Presented DLZ's proposals for a new Salt Barn. Eagleson recommended Option 2 or 4. Council discussed all the options, reasoning behind each, maintenance issues, size, and what will be stored in the building. Member Hoover requested that the engineering firm be present at the next meeting to answer questions about the project.
- ✓ Cemetery is in good shape. There is a tree that needs removed.
- ✓ Working on restoring benches and picnic tables at the park
- ✓ Asked the Council to appoint a representative for the annual REMC meeting. President Arroyo stated that he would be available that day. Member Hoover made a motion for Arroyo to represent the Town at the meeting. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- ✓ Hoping to get the sidewalk project underway by the 2nd week of June. The County is currently working on their ADA requirements around the Courthouse square.
- ✓ Town Hall furnace needs replaced. Received quotes for new equipment:
 1. Preferred Maintenance - \$4199.00

2. Crystal Valley - \$2600.00
3. R. Thomas Mechanical - \$2724.00
 - ✓ The town manager requested that the council consider Thomas Mechanical because they are currently doing annual maintenance and have been responsive to service calls. They are also the only quote that is located in the Town of LaGrange. Member Mickem made a motion to purchase the furnace from R. Thomas Mechanical. Member Hoover seconded the motion.

CLERK: Presented two cemetery deeds for transfer

ATTORNEY: Presented Ordinance 2015-06-01 – Small Purchase Policy Revisions. This ordinance has already been discussed and Eberhard has made the proposed changes. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the ordinance. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Working on the following:

- ✓ Revised Dog ordinance – written by LHS student.
- ✓ Façade Improvement Program
- ✓ Habitual Drug House
- ✓ House at the Town park with the tree on it
- ✓ Trash pick up

OPEN DISCUSSION: Discussed the possibility of donated the 1973 fire truck to another fire department. Due to the cost of yearly certifications, he did not know of a local department that would be interested.

Council asked about the ordinance to outline the procedure to vacate alleys; encroachments.

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Member Mickem made a motion to allow claims, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: Member Bowser 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