



Meeting Minutes – November 2, 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, Edna Bowser, Robert Shanahan

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

**Absent:** Suellyn Mickem

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

Council Member Bowser made a motion to approve minutes from the October 19, 2015 meeting. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Beers, Mellers, Backman & Salin were present representing Parkview Hospital to request zoning changes for the property known as the "Willard House" adjacent to the hospital. (102 S Townline Road) They are planning to renovate the home into housing for families of patients receiving longer term care at the hospital, much like a "Ronald McDonald" facility. Member Hoover made a motion to rezone the property to B4, and waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the ordinance/resolution to do so. Member Shanahan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**WASTEWATER:** No Report

**Water:**

- Asked the council to consider the sale of the property at 208 E. Spring Street.
- Parks have been wintereized
- Hydrants flushed
- Working with Habitat to install water

**POLICE:**

- Presented quotes for new computers for the police vehicles.  
Moble Tek Consulting - \$29,070.00  
ERS Wireless - 31,571.00  
Ascend Computer -- \$21,600.000 – but could not get all accessories requested  
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Torgs - \$1500.00  
ERS - \$1775.00  
CopsGear - \$1625.00

Member Shanahan made a motion to purchase the equipment from Mobile Tek and have Torgs Electronics do the installation. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**FIRE**

**Town Manager:**

- Working on getting leaves picked up in the Cemetery and around Town.
- Soil testing in for the Salt Storage building. The results did not provide a better location. After discussing the issue, Member Shanahan made a motion to proceed at the current location without the engineering firm. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Working on appraisals 214 W Steuben Street

- NIPSCO has approved a request to change street lights to LED, providing funding comes in from the Federal govt.

**CLERK:** Closed Thursday to attend software training in Wabash

**ATTORNEY:**

- Discussed an encroachment agreement for Miller's Super Valu. Member Shanahan stated that he would like to discuss the new plans with the contractors prior to approving the encroachment agreement.
- Presented a "Hold Harmless" agreement for the council to review. This agreement would be between the Town of LaGrange and the LaGrange Farmer's Market
- Discussed expanding the TIF District to include property around the Town Hall.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:** Set an executive session for Monday, November 16, 2015 following the regular meeting to discuss employee evaluations.

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

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

  
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Juan C. Arroyo, Council President

  
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Attest: Laurie D. Miller, Clerk Treasurer