



TOWN OF
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Meeting Minutes - February 1, 2016

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, Deborah Naylor

Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill Eberhard

The meeting was opened as a Redevelopment Commission meeting at 7:00 pm. RDC members present were, Mark Eagleson, President, Juan Arroyo, Ray Hoover, Suellyn Mickem, and Laurie Miller.

- ✚ Discussed 2016 Sidewalk projects. Quotes were solicited from several contractors. Regal Builders were the lone bidders at \$97,689.00. The project will include sidewalks one block east and west of Detroit Street on Michigan, Spring and Lafayette with some exceptions. Member Hoover stated that he would like to also look at making all corners in the TIF district ADA compliant, as well as sidewalks to the Town Hall and streets leading to Parkside School. Member Hoover then made a motion to award the work to Regal Builders, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried. Member Mickem made a motion to adjourn the RDC meeting and proceed with the regular Council meeting. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Member Hoover made a motion to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Bowser made a motion to approve minutes from the meeting. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney Eberhard opened bids for the sale of property at 214 W. Steuben Street.

1. Dennis Hedges - \$6600.00 - Remodel
2. Devon Troyer - \$6500.00
3. Johnny Raber - \$10,600.00 - Remodel
4. Joe Miller - \$10,200.00
5. Hank Gore - \$4000.00

Member Mickem made a motion to accept the bid of Johnny Raber, subject to meeting all requirements in the specifications advertised. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jean Fremion McKibben gave a presentation on work completed by the Veterans Headstone Project at Greenwood Cemetery.

WASTEWATER:

- ✚ Mark Eagleson presented quotes for replacing the Sampler at the Wastewater Plant

UsaBluebook	\$5325.86	1 week delivery
Hach	\$5214.00	2 week delivery
ISCO	\$5800.00	7-10 days delivery

Due to the immediate need to replace the equipment, management at the plant recommend purchasing from USAbluebook. Member Hoover made a motion to purchase per recommendations (USAbluebook), Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Water:

- ✚ Presented a sewer adjustment application from Phil Miller (400 W. Steuben Street, Tennant Denise Teeter) for 29,000 gallons of untreated water (soaked away in a dirt crawlspace) Member Hoover made a motion to approve the adjustment, seconded by Member Mickem. Motion carried.
- ✚ 1 emergency locate completed
- ✚ Working with Carquest to connect to town water
- ✚ Monthly reports submitted to IDEM and Dept of Health

POLICE:

- ✚ Scott Jordan was present to discuss the property at 502 E Michigan. Mr. Jordan gave a report as to why he did not attend the hearing on January 18th. After discussing the property and the councils concerns on ordinance violations and alleged criminal activity at the property, Member Hoover made a motion to table the proposed daily fine and review the cleanup progress in 30 days. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FIRE:

- ✚ Discussed the possibility of selling the old ladder truck to one of the vocational schools for firefighter training classes.
- ✚ Had a training session with new ice rescue suites.
- ✚ Reported 2 firefighters resignations and announced that Assistant Chief Keith Neff will be moving out of the district and will also be resigning. The Council thanked Neff for his many years of service to the department.

Town Manager:

- ✚ Working with contractors on Town Hall renovation project.
- ✚ Discussed salt barn construction with contractors. Member Hoover asked about the property adjacent and behind the Town Hall and if we were looking at the possibility of moving the Street Department. Eagleson will get with the attorney and see what the options are.
- ✚ Spring Clean up tentatively set for the last weekend of April.

CLERK:

- ✚ Reminded the council of the Focus LaGrange event on Saturday, February 6th.
- ✚ Noted that there is a landlord asking for a more stringent collections policy.

ATTORNEY:

- ✚ Asked President Arroyo to sign a damage release regarding the pole damage at the wastewater plant.


OPEN DISCUSSION:

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

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



Juan C Arroyo, Council President



Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC
Clerk Treasurer