



Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2013

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

Council Members Present: Mark Eagleson, Bruce Eagleson, Greg Kenner

Council Members Absent: Ray Hoover, Juan Arroyo

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

Council Member B. Eagleson made a motion to open the regular meeting with flexibility, Member Greg Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Kenner made a motion to approve minutes from the February 19, 2013 meeting. Member B. Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER: Presented an annual report for 2012. The report included annual results such as 153.954MG treated at the plant, working at 23.4% capacity, received the 9th annual IWEA Lab safety Award and 10th consecutive IWEA Plant Safety Award.

Storage capacity for sludge was discussed. Jeff Moore will look into the original plant expansion plans and see if there was a plan for more storage.

Water: Reported that the 8" meter that was sent in for repairs is back, and apparently covered under warranty.

REMC working on power for separating units at the "All That Jazz" buildings.

Fibre Optics running down Poplar Street again.

IDEM sent an apology letter after contacting us about a non compliance issue. It was a miscommunication.

Installed new meter on Steuben St for a duplex.

FIRE: Reported that the rescue tool that was requested at the last meeting would be under warranty. It will also have a complete service inspection prior to purchase. The cost is \$4500.00 to replace the 'cutter' on the jaws of life equipment. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the purchase. Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE: Requested that the council instruct the attorney to send former Clerk, Mike Rowlison a letter stating that he would have 30 days to clean his property out of the red storage building on the Town Hall property. Member Kenner made a motion for the attorney to do so, Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Snyder stated that most of the items in the evidence room could be used by Town Departments, there is one item that we do not have use for. Atty Eberhard stated that the proper way to dispose of it would be to advertise in the paper to take bids to sell the item. The item is a "Gorilla Tailgate Lift" for a utility trailer. The Clerk will post an ad in the paper to sell it at the next meeting. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the procedure. Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Marshal Snyder then discussed getting ordinances codified so the Police department can begin issuing ordinance violations.

PUBLIC WORKS (STREET, CEMETERY, PARK):

Cemetery: No report

Park: Would like a part time employee to clean restrooms and pick up trash. The employee would make \$10.00 - \$12.00 per hour and work 9-10 hours per week. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the request, Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Streets: Working on getting bids for the parking lot project. Getting a plan and quotes for a chip and seal project for town streets.

Listed what the St Dept thought would be logical charges for their equipment per hour in emergencies: \$175.00 per hour for the Vactor and Payloader, \$150.00 per hour for Town Trucks. \$50.00 per hour for manpower.

Atty Eberhard stated that driving personal vehicles for work would not be covered on insurance if there was an accident. Requested that all town personnel drive a town vehicle while working.

Member Kenner then asked if we were planning to install the restrooms on the new parking lot right away. It was decided to get bids that include the restrooms and decide from there.

CLERK: Requested the council approve plans to renovate McDonald's. Member Kenner made a motion to sign the authorization form for a permit, Member Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stated that the Historical Society will be attending the next council meeting to discuss a "Civil War Encampment" event in August 2013.

ATTORNEY: Discussed expanding the TIF districts to downtown. Would like to see the Town Redevelopment Commission meet more regularly and work with the group Focus LaGrange.

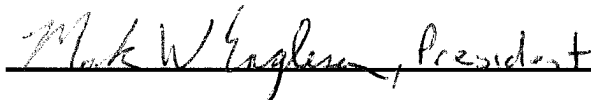
Working on a door to door solicitations ordinance.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

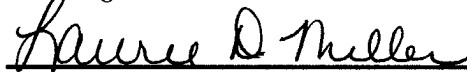
ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Member Eagleson made a motion to approve claims, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: Member Eagleson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be March 18, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

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Mark Eagleson, Town Council President

Handwritten signature of Laurie D. Miller in cursive script, positioned above a horizontal line.

Attest: Laurie D. Miller, Clerk-Treasurer