



Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2012

Opening:

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

Council Members Present: Mark Eagleson , Greg Kenner, Ray Hoover, Richard Greene, Bruce Eagleson, Laurie Miller, Marilyn Ernsberger

Absent: Michael Rowlison

President Eagleson opened the meeting as a Public Hearing for a Community Focus Grant Application to do repairs to a storm water line on East Michigan Street.

Kristine Christlieb of Region 3A explained the process, then asked Andy Lemberis of DLZ to give a presentation of what is involved in the repairs. The floor was then opened to citizens present to voice their opinions or concerns about the project. Lora Toramen representing the LCEDC stated that the project would be beneficial to the area and Economic Development. Richard Yoder spoke as a representative of the Food and Clothes Basket in support of the project as well. There were no other comments. Member Greene made a motion to close the public hearing. Member B. Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Richard Greene made a motion to open the regular meeting with flexibility, Member Bruce Eagleson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member R. Greene made a motion to approve minutes from the May 7, 2012 meeting, Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

M&E Investments was present to request a tax abatement for an 9000 sq ft addition to their facility. They anticipate adding an addition 10 employees. Lora Toramen of the LCEDC stated that these types of smaller companies are vital to the area for jobs. Member B. Eagleson made a motion to move forward with the Tax Abatement process. Member Kenner seconded the motion. Motion carried. A Public Hearing will be held on June 18th.

Stewart Bender of Emergency Management was present to discuss the Mutual Aid Agreement to be reimbursed by FEMA in the event of a disaster/emergency. The council discussed the agreement and Hoover made a motion to table the matter until the attorney can review the agreement. Member Greene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER - Presented a monthly report. No violations

Water: Gave a report on what the Town BZA will be discussing. Also stated that Phase 2 of the Wellhead Protection will be beginning soon.

FIRE: Jacks & Struts that were approved at the last meeting have been ordered. Member Greene opened discussion about appointing a new fire chief for 2013. The council would like to post the opening so they can gather applications and have plenty of time to review and make a decision. Greene made a motion to post the opening and ask that applications be submitted prior to July 1st for review. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE: Presented a details report

Street Dept: Street Projects have been advertised. Bids to be opened on June 4th

Cemetery: No report

Park: Country Builders will be working to make repairs on various things at the park.

ATTORNEY: No report

CLERK: Presented a quote for parking lot repairs. The council stated that they would like to see the repairs done, however they requested more bids.

Presented a permit authorization for Pat Peters to repair 2 porches on her home. Member Kenner made a motion to approve the permit, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried. Presented 2 Cemetery Deed transfers for signatures.

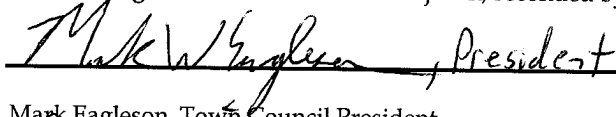
OPEN DISCUSSION:

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

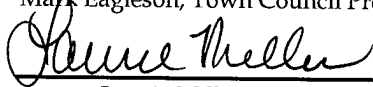
Member R. Greene made a motion, seconded by Member Kenner to allow claims. Motion carried

ADJOURN

Member Eagleson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Member Kenner. Motion carried.

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Attest: Laurie Miller, Deputy Clerk