



TOWN OF
LaGrange
INDIANA

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Meeting Minutes – March 21, 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

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

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

Council Member Naylor made a motion to approve minutes from the Executive meeting on March 15, 2016 and the regular meeting on March 7, 2016. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kristine Christlieb of Region 3A and Nancy Block of the LaGrange Farmer's Market presented the first submission of invoices for the Farmer's Market Grant from the USDA. Claims total ½ of the grant. Also presented was a Contract for Services from Region 3A. Member Hoover made a motion to approve the contract and allow the Clerk to remit payment to vendors when the grant funds become available. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Block then asked the council to consider a donation of \$400.00 to help pay for liability insurance for the Farmer's Market. Council suggested she ask Focus LaGrange first.

Josh Pettit was present to present the plat map for "Hanging Lantern Homestead" on behalf of the LaGrange County Plan Commission. Member Hoover made the motion to accept the Plat Parcel Map, Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER:

- Received & discharged 10.193 million gallons of treated wastewater
- Using 20% of the plants design capacity
- Reports submitted to IDEM

Water:

- New Service installed at Lakeland Baseball field.
- Landscaping this week
- Delivered most of the Consumer Confidence Reports this week

POLICE:

- Requested wages be set for the new officer, Ryan Stewart. Member Hoover made a motion to have starting wages set at \$35,000 per year, with an additional \$1,000.00 after completing Police Academy and a positive review. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FIRE:

- The 1973 Aerial Truck has been transferred to the Elkhart Career Center.

Town Manager:

- Contracted appraisers for the Bobilya property appraisals
- Discussed NIPSCO's program to change street lights to LED's
- Spotlight on the flag at St Rd 9 & 20 should be repaired soon
- Met with INDOT regarding the St Rd 9 project
- Viewed a webinar on the Open Door Law. Recommended that the council meet to view it as well. The council will meet on Monday, March 29th at 7:00 pm in the Police training room to view the webinar as a group.

- Attended an Emergency Management meeting.
- Will be attending the IACT Round Table meeting in Middlebury on April 11th. Member Hoover and Arroyo both stated they would be able to attend as well.
- Discussed emergency sirens

CLERK:

- Presented website redevelopment proposals as follows:
Robert Grove - \$2660.00 with web hosting of \$360.00 per year
CLP Marketing LLC - \$3588.00 plus Doman Transfer of \$39.00 and annual renewal of \$299.00
LaGwana Printing, Inc - Web design - \$3750.00, training \$150.00; and webhosting (131.99)

Member Mickem made a motion to have Bob Grove do the redevelopment of the website. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY:


- Would like to form a committee to develop program of events for the summer. Members Hoover and Arroyo both volunteered to be a part of the Committee. The Clerk and Attorney will also attend. The first meeting will be set this week.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

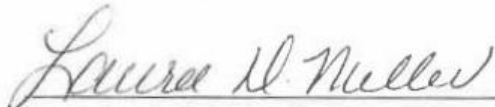
- Discussed downtown restrooms
- Soil borings on the Northwood lots will be on Friday
- Waiting on documents to be returned by Teresa Marks for the Steuben Street property

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

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



Juan C. Arroyo, Council President



Attest: Laurie D. Miller, Clerk Treasurer