



TOWN OF
LaGrange
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Meeting Minutes - February 21, 2017

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

Council Member Bowser made a motion to approve minutes from the February 6, 2017 meeting. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council discussed the ADA improvement plan. Council Member Hoover stated he would put together a list of sidewalk corners to make improvements to. Attorney Eberhard stated that this would have to be put out to bid to satisfy the Public Works Projects requirement on projects over \$150,000.00. (This project and the RDC's Sidewalk improvement project could exceed the \$150,000.00 limit)

WASTEWATER:

- Received & discharged 10.920 MG of treated wastewater
- Reports were submitted to IDEM
- One parameter violation of the NPDES permit (Ammonia)

Water:

- North water tower was inspected by Suez. We will receive a written report
- Working with a boring crew for underground fiber optic installation
- Mark Miller gave a report on upgrading meters in town to radio read meters. He presented a quote as follows:
 1. Itron Radio system with badger meters \$242,181.00
 2. Neptune Radio system & meters \$280,350.00
 3. Zenner radio systems & meters \$262,997.00

There would also be a cost to upgrade all commercial meters to radio read as follows

1. Sensus \$34,298.31
2. Badger \$30,438.50
3. Neptune \$36,200.50

The third part of the presentation was Start up costs that include radio read equipment and software for billing.

1. Itron \$14,395.00
2. Neptune \$18,500.00
3. Zenner \$26,799.00

After discussing the options, Member Hoover made a motion to purchase the Commercial meters from Sensus, and the startup and meter system from Itron. Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council then asked Supt Leu to prepare his presentation for the council by Friday prior to the council meeting so they could review it over the weekend.

POLICE:

- Reported that the new car is in

FIRE:

- Discussed the status of the new Rescue 10. Received quotes for graphics for the truck as follows:
 1. Legendary Designs, Shippshewana \$622.07
 2. Miller Sign Co., LaGrange \$585.22Member Hoover made a motion to have the graphics completed by Miller Sign, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed the sale of the old Rescue 10. After research, the dept believes the truck value to be between \$17,000.00 and \$22,500.00. Member Hoover made a motion to advertise the truck for sale. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented the idea of a Jr Fire Fighter program. Member Hoover motioned to approve the plan, seconded by Member Naylor. Chief Elick will work with Attorney Eberhard on a waiver.
- Asked about a laptop and Heat and Air conditioning for the training and officers' room upstairs. Council stated that bids/quotes would be needed on both requests.

STREET:

- Presented a report of details accomplished
- Discussed options on a salt barn and building repairs (roof is leaking)
- Picked up leaves with the leaf vac
- Discussed 2017 Street Projects as proposed by DLZ at the last regular meeting. Member Hoover made a motion to proceed with the original plan proposed by DLZ.
- Discussed several other streets options for repairs, concentrating on streets to the elementary school.
- Discussed approaching Dometic & Mastercraft about the possibility of vacating Fenn St, from Poplar to Railroad.

Town Manager:

- **Discussed lighting on Townline Rd. Member Bowser made a motion to have REMC install additional lights for safety purposes. (up to 10). The motion was seconded by Member Mickem. Motion carried.**
- Asked how the council would like to proceed regarding the sale of the 2007 Imapla. It was determined to put it out for bid.

CLERK:

- Requested council approve advertising for a public hearing on additional appropriations. Member Mickem made the motion to move ahead with the public hearing, seconded by Member Bowser. Motion carried.
- Gave the council a thank you letter from the Veteran's Headstone Project for their donation of \$1000.00

ATTORNEY:

- Reported that the county has agreed to procure easements along Townline Rd for a sidewalk project from North Street to the Town Hall. They will also provide the county surveyor and engineer for the project.
- Member Bowser asked if there had been any more talk about downtown public restrooms. Eberhard stated that the issue is on a "list of many projects"


OPEN DISCUSSION:

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

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



Juan C Arroyo Council President



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

