



TOWN OF
LaGrange
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Meeting Minutes – January 2, 2018

Present: Juan Arroyo, Raymond Hoover, Suellyn Mickem, Edna Bowser, Deborah Naylor

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 D. Eberhard, Jr (via remote phone call)

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

Member Edna Bowser motioned to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Deborah Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Suellyn Mickem made a motion to approve minutes from December 18, 2017 and December 28, 2017. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the re-organization of the Council Officers and department appointments. Member Hoover motioned to keep officers of the council the same as 2017 (Juan Arroyo, President and Suellyn Mickem, Vice President), as well as the same department appointments. (Juan Arroyo – Fire Dept; Ray Hoover- Police Dept; Suellyn Mickem, Wastewater; Edna Bowser – Street, Park, Cemetery and Deb Naylor – Water). Hoover also added that he would motion to keep the Redevelopment Council the same (Mark Eagleson, President, Laurie Miller Secretary, Members – Juan Arroyo, Ray Hoover, Suellyn Mickem, and School Board Representative Sue Keenan). Member Mickem seconded the motion. Motion carried. Member Hoover then motioned to appoint Steve Leichty to the County Alcohol Beverage Commission and Mark Eagleson to the Economic Development Board and Region 3A. Member Bowser seconded this motion, motion carried.

WASTEWATER:

- The Clerk presented a request for new computers and a software upgrade for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Equipment, including 3 desktops and a laptop totaling \$4055.96 from Ascend Computer. Software upgrades were quoted at \$11305.00 with “First Support Agreements” or \$10390.00 without the agreement. Member Hoover motioned to table the request until 3 quotes for equipment are presented. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Water:

- Presented a sewer adjustment for Nicole Bond, 420 Hawpatch Street for 14000 gallons of untreated water. Member Mickem motioned to approve the adjustment, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Updated the council on jobs completed

POLICE:

- Marshal Snyder requested approval for himself and Deputy Dubea to attend a “Use of Informants: Best Practices” seminar in Indianapolis on February 26-27, 2018. Cost is \$295.00 each plus 2 nights in a hotel. Member Bowser motioned to approve the training request, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FIRE:

- Reported on fire calls

STREET:

Town Manager:

- Updated the council on the LPA Grant application.
- Water Plant tour to Roanoke is scheduled for January 10th.
- Presented quotes to purchase a new UTV for the Cemetery as follows:

1. Greenmark Equipment - John Deere - \$20420.54 - does not allow for any additional equipment to be added. Gasoline driven
2. Truelove Brothers: Bobcat - \$22,022.88 - Diesel Driven, allows for additional equipment
3. Kubota - \$29,126.00 -diesel driven - allows for additional equipment
The Department test drove (used) the Bobcat and recommended purchasing from Truelove Brothers.
Member Hoover motioned to approve the purchase from Truelove Brothers, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CLERK: Reminded the Council that they will be discussing the proposed 2018 Employee Handbook at their next meeting.

ATTORNEY:

- Discussed the negotiations on the Family Dollar Fire bill.
- Petition ready for Northwood annexation.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Member Hoover requested an executive meeting to discuss and employee evaluation. Meeting was set to Thursday, January 4th after the previously scheduled meeting.

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

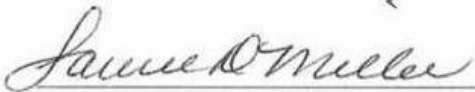
RDC Member Hoover made a motion to approve the claims related to the Redevelopment funds, RDC Member Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion carried

- Also, as the RDC, discussed 2018 Sidewalk improvement projects.

ADJOURN: Member Bowser 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