



TOWN OF  
*LaGrange*  
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Meeting Minutes May 7, 2018

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, Edna Bowser, Deborah Naylor

**Also present:** Laurie Miller, Bill D. Eberhard, Jr

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 Naylor made a motion to approve minutes from April 17, 2018. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**WASTEWATER:**

- Presented an increase in bid request from Joe Schwartz, JL Custom Builders. After discussing the bid/quote process and price difference, Member Bowser made a motion to deny the increase. Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried
- Inframark looking at the possibility of upgrades to the monitoring system at the wastewater plant.

**Water:**

- Council asked when the new fountains would be installed downtown, Supt Leu stated that he was hoping to install them next week.
- Radionuclides Testing taking to South Bend
- Looking to consolidate inspections with a neighboring community to save costs
- Worked with 4H to retire the water at the shelter house
- Reported other misc jobs completed.

**POLICE:**

- Requested an executive session to discuss an employee situation. Meeting was set for Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:00 pm..

**FIRE:**

- Attended FDIC with Cody Miller, and Mack Grobis
- Looking to replace Hurst tools on tanker 16.

**STREET:**

- Working on drainage repairs on East Michigan Street.
- Will continue picking up yard waste weekly as long as there is a need.

**Town Manager:**

- Huffman Plumbing is working on the Park restrooms
- Discussed security cameras for the park to deter vandalism
- Bob Neff will be assisting the water department, reading meters and installing radio read meters.
- Met with officials from Inframark (wastewater treatment plant managers)
- Requested approval to submit an RFP with INDOT for the Hawpatch Street Project. Member Naylor motioned for approval, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Need authorization for President Arroyo to sign a letter to proceed with an OCRA Planning grant application. Member Hoover motioned to give the authorization, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried. J
- Presented Tax abatement CF1's for the following:

Becky & Garry Miller, ATJ Real Estate, Dometic, Aqua Zone, and Lake Area Designs. All are in compliance. Member Bowser motioned for approval for the Abatements, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CLERK:**

- Asked the council to review the Bank Reconciliation reports for March and April 2018. All Accounts are balanced. Member Bowser motioned for Pres. Arroyo to sign the reconciliation reports, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Will be attending the annual clerk's conference June 11-13<sup>th</sup>. Office staff will be attending as well. The conference is in South Bend this year.

**ATTORNEY:**

- Gave an opinion on how to handle waiving the impact fees (wastewater) for the "Farm Project". Suggested that the fees be donated, as the project is not only worthwhile for the community, but also gets utility services to the west side of State Road 9, so could potentially be an asset for future growth. Member Hoover made a motion to approve donation of the fees, not to exceed the cost of the impact fee. Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.

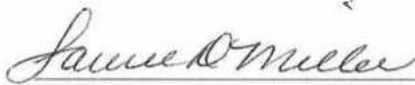
**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

- Discussion of several ordinance violations in town.

**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 Bowser seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

  
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Juan C. Arroyo, Council President

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