



TOWN OF
LaGrange
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Meeting Minutes: June 18, 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, Suellyn Mickem, Deborah Naylor
Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill D. Eberhard, Jr

Council met in special session to discuss the 2019 Budget proposal. The Clerk, Laurie Miller, went thru the funds, discussing capital purchases and projects.

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

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

Council Member Mickem made a motion to approve minutes from August 6, 2018, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nancy Block- Farmer's Market - Overview of plans for a Pavillion at the old water tower site. She presented building quotes from: Regal Builders; & Shetler Builders, working to get one more. Council discussed the size, look and dimensions of the structure. Also asked if Block had talked to adjoining property owners as a courtesy. Next step is to get new quotes, find out what the maximum grant amount can be and can the town partner in the cost. Also talk to neighboring businesses.

Bill Bradley - EDC newly appointed CEO of the LaGrange County Economic Development Corp was present to introduce himself to the council.

WASTEWATER:

- Discussed the pump replacement that was tabled at the last meeting. It was reported that all four pumps quoted are equal, American pump is a plug in replacement. Member Hoover made a motion to purchase from American pump as recommended. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Water:

- Central Avenue project falling into place.
- Asked the council to consider sewer adjustment for Sarah Cats 207 W Central; 24000 gallons, untreated water. Member Hoover motioned to allow the adjustment, seconded by member Mickem. Motion carried.
- ME Simpson helped determine and define possible leaks
- Member Mickem discussed an issue with John Leu regarding water being turned off without notice to property owners on August 8th. Leu gave an explanation of what happened.

FIRE:

- Chief Elick presented quotes on truck 18 replacement –as follows:

Chassis – 2018 Dodge Ram Tradesman 2500 –

LaGrange Country Dodge –\$29377; Sorg Dodge - \$ 29329.00; Glenbrook Dodge - \$29629

Snow Plow – Boss 8' /2" V_DXT MSC15002B

KS Auto SVC - \$7055; WA Jones – \$7167; Gardner O.P.E - \$7495

Lighting – All Emergency Lights

Strobes-n-More - \$6298; Various Vendors \$6643; Fleet Safety - \$7052

Graphics – Lettering & Graphics

1st Attack - \$984; Grafix Shoppe- \$982.00; Dennisign – no response.

The Department is recommending LaGrange Country Dodge; KS Auto Svc; Strobes –n- More and 1st Attack, as they are either local or the lowest bidder in each category. Total purchase is about 10,000 less than estimate. Member Hoover made a motion to move ahead to replace the vehicle as recommended, and to bring an estimate on installation of lights. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE:

- Busy with the detour issues & ordinance violations.

STREET:

- Presented a list of tasks and projects completed

CLERK: Requested approval for the July bank reconciliation reports. Member Mickem motioned to approve the reports, Member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Town Manager:

- Gave an updated quote for a security system at the park, in the amount of \$3488.54 from Tech Solutions.
- Requested Council consider an amendment to the current dog leash ordinance. Looking to change the maximum length of a leash for a larger dog from 3’ to at least 4’. This is because leashes do not come in 3’ length. There was also a request to consider electronic leashes. After discussing the issue, the decision was made to not allow electronic leashes.
- Discussed a mold issue at the cemetery that is killing maple trees.
- Working with EMC Insurance regarding fence damage at the park
- Toured the St Joseph Energy Center Water Treatment plant.
- Repairs to the Water Truck complete.
- Requested permission to close Spring, Michigan and High Streets for the Halloween & Heroes event on Wednesday, October 24th from 4:00 – 8:00 pm. Member Mickem motioned to close the streets as requested, seconded by Member Naylor. Motion carried.
- Set Town Trick or treat hours for October 31st from 5:00 pm – 8:00pm

ATTORNEY:

- Working with the Town Manager on employee issue. Requested an executive session to discuss the problem. Session set for Wednesday, August 29th at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

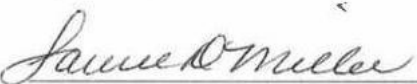
- Discussed the current traffic issues due to the US 20 project and detour options.
- Set Town Wide Garage Sale for September 14 & 15

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Member Mickem 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, IAMC, CMC
Clerk Treasurer

