



TOWN OF
LaGrange
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Meeting Minutes: March 18, 2019

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, Deborah Naylor, Catie Gayheart, and Fred Romer

Also present: Laurie Miller, Bill D. Eberhard, Jr (via phone call)

Vice President Ray Hoover opened the meeting at precisely 7:00 pm.

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

Council Member Naylor made a motion to approve minutes from March 4, 2019 and March 11, 2019. Member Fred Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Treasurer, Laurie Miller requested that a Public Hearing to allow for additional appropriations in the amount of 54200.00 be opened. Ordinance #2019-03-18 was presented reflecting the request. VP Hoover asked citizens in attendance if there were any comments or questions. No comments or questions were asked. Member Naylor motioned to approve the ordinance on first reading, and waive any further readings. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Public Hearing was then closed. Council moved to the regular business meeting.

DLZ Engineering, Holly Miller, verified that the council gave authorization to President Arroyo to sign an IDEM permit outside of the regular meeting for projects. Council verified authorization was given at the last meeting.

Miller then presented quotes for the televising of sanitary sewer lines to check for problems prior to work being done on Poplar Street.

1. RR Visual - .90 /LF; \$2700.00 based on 3,000 LF; \$85.00 each lateral inspection; \$95.00 per manhole; Town provides traffic control.
2. Fluid Waste Svc - \$2.33/LF; \$6980.00 based on 3,000 LF; \$624.00 each Lateral Inspection, Includes traffic control
3. Culy Contracting - \$4.75/LF; \$14250.00 based on 3000 LF; \$355.00 each lateral inspection. Includes Traffic Control; Town to provide water for cleaning

The line in question was previously lined due to issues. The inspection will provide time to get the sewer line repaired prior to work being done on Poplar Street if needed. Member Naylor made a motion to move forward with the televising of the sewer line by RR Visual. Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Miller presented bid amounts for the 2019 Street Improvement Project as follows:

1. API Construction Corp: 1,004,147.75
2. Rieth Riley Construction: 1,200,584.56

DLZ Engineering recommended awarding the contract to API Construction. After discussion, Member Romer made the motion to award the contract to API Construction, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Town Manager Mark Eagleson noted that the LPA Project Contract for the Hawpatch Street Project has been received, the grant will have an 80/20 match for preliminary engineering.

Bill Bradley, LaGrange County Economic Development gave a presentation on Tax Abatements. He covered how they work and what responsibility the Town Council has regarding compliance and requirements. Bradley is currently working on some projects for the town. Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of each month at 4:00 pm. They are not open to the public.

WASTEWATER:

- Plant is running at 29% capacity, no issues for the month
- Preparing to do land application.

Water:

- Working on cleaning and organizing garage at the plant
- Ordered a new 3" meter for Life Care Center, as theirs is no longer working. Will be replacing large meters at Dometic and Mastercraft soon.
- North American Pump Co will be here later in the week to test the plant meter.
- Working on a leak on 200N
- Pursuing quotes from leak detection companies to search out hard to locate leaks in town.

FIRE:

- DNR Grant for 2019 completed. Applying for wildlife turn out gear
- Gathering quotes for tires for tanker 16. Waiting on mounting costs
- We were awarded equipment from the closing department in Allen County, a combo of cutter/spreader for \$5000.00. Member Romer made a motion to purchase the equipment, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Requested approval to purchase 16 pagers from J&K Communications at a cost of \$11,432.00. The price will increase at the end of March.

Quotes received:

J&K Communications: 11432.00
Magnum Electronics: 11988.00
Radio Two-Way Sales 11972.00

Member Naylor motioned to approve the purchase, seconded by Member Romer. Motion carried.

- Annual Fish Fry will be Saturday, April 6th

POLICE: No report

STREET: Gave a list of Tasks and projects completed.

CLERK:

- Presented February financial statements and bank reconciliation reports for approval. Member Naylor motioned to approve the reports, Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Town Manager

- Received a request from Bret Bateman to update the park ball diamond. The cost will be \$2500.00 from Hostetler Landscaping. Member Gayheart motioned to approve the work, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Set Spring Cleanup days for April 26 & 27th. Do we want to limit the service/event to in town residents only? The cost continually goes up. Member Naylor motioned to restrict the event to in town residents, and require proof of residency via ID. Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried. Discussion on what to accept as proof of residency continued. A motion by Member Romer was made to retract the previous motion, Member Gayheart seconded this motion. Motion approved. (Unanimously) Council then continued discussing the issue. At the end of this discussion, Member Romer motioned to accept a copy of the Town Utility Bill as proof of residency, or Driver License. Member Gayheart seconded the motion, motion carried.
- Discussed posting a sign at clean up stating that we are not responsible for damages to vehicles bringing in items for disposal. Attorney Eberhard and Mark Eagleson will work on the proper wording.
- Presented an amended Fire Contract with changes proposed by both Township trustees (Clay and Bloomfield). Member Romer motioned to approve the changes and sign the contract, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY: No Report

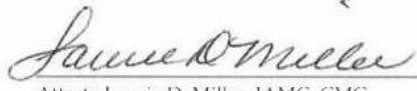
OPEN DISCUSSION: Question from audience regarding sidewalk repairs and who is responsible. It was stated that the town has a program to help homeowners replace sidewalks.

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

ADJOURN: Member Naylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion Carried.



Juan C Arroyo Council President



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