



TOWN OF
LaGrange
INDIANA

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Meeting Minutes: June 6, 2019

The regular meeting of the LaGrange Town Council met at 7:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall.

Council Members Present: Raymond Hoover, Deborah Naylor, and Fred Romer

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

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

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

Council Member Naylor made a motion to approve minutes from May 20, 2019 and the Public Hearing on May 28, 2019. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Justine Conly, Manager of the Detroit Street Bar & Grill presented Fire Fighters Inc a check in the amount of \$1000.00. The donation came from fund raisers held in the establishment.

Harley Mast and Anu Sanhi were present to discuss a sewer line extension on 200N for new businesses. Various details of the extension were discussed. Member Romer made a motion to extend sewer main north across 200N, subject to an agreement of petitioners to reimburse the Town of costs of engineering and construction; and to execute consent to annexation. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER:

- Still working on getting sludge trucked to the landfill. The project is proving to be more costly than originally thought. Will provide more details regarding cost when they are available.

Water:

- Well #1 was back up and running, did a test of the generator in the well, and had an electrical failure. Miller contacted Jeff Leu, (electrician) and reported that it is fixable and will get it on the schedule.
- Presented quotes for 16" cut off saw: Schlemmer's Hardware - \$1539.99; John Deere \$1239.96; USA Blue Book \$1619295. It was noted that Schlemmer's quote includes a 20 year warranty. Member Romer motioned to approve the purchase from Schlemmer's Hardware, noting the warranty and they are a local business. Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Requested approval to purchase a steel plate to cover holes at work sites. Spreuers (local business) will make the plate at their cost for the Town. Thickness of the plate was discussed. The purchase was tabled until a price for 3/4" and other options (renting or borrowing) were looked into.
- Bob Neff has installed 30 radio read meters this month.

FIRE:

- Provided a run report
- New truck going to Hite's Auto body to paint the roof white, then it will go to Torgs for lights and then on for the lettering.
- 5 Alarm tested the Hurst tools.
- Requesting approval for 3 sets of E-Draulics, total cost is \$31,000.00. Fire Fighters Inc, Bloomfield and Clay Townships have already approved paying a portion of the cost. The Town's portion will be \$10,250.00. Would like to sell the old Humatro equipment to a smaller Fire Dept in need for \$1.00. Member Naylor motioned to purchase the equipment, and with an interlocal agreement, sell the old equipment for \$1.00. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- IVFA Convention will be held in Michigan City IN, would like to send two delegates to the conference. Cost of the conference is \$75.00 each and \$109.00 (each night for 5 nights - 2 rooms) for the hotel. Member Romer motioned to approve the attendance and lodging, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE:

- Presented a details report for May 2019
- Discussed updating the grass/weeds ordinance.
- Asked the council to consider another camera at the park, or an upgrade that includes a Wi-Fi connection. Member Romer motioned to look into a better system, Member Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

STREET:

- Discussed equipment to de-commission, sell or junk. Discussed auctioning items or displaying as for sale at the Town Hall.
- Attending asset management training in Carmel this week.

CLERK:

- Reported that Focus LaGrange received donations for large stone flower pots and flowers for downtown. They need a stand to get them off the sidewalk as they will be permanent. We don't want them to freeze to the sidewalks in the winter. Spreuers has indicated they would make the stands, including powder coating, at their cost (\$25.00 each). Requesting that the town approve paying for the stands to be constructed by Spreuers. Member Naylor motioned to approve the request, Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Asked the council to meet with their departments to discuss budget needs for 2020.

Town Manager

- Received the signed Project Coordination agreement with INDOT for the Hawpatch Street project.
- Working with DLZ and Farm Bureau regarding an easement issue on Poplar Street
- Attended an OCRA conference with the clerk
- Had a request from Steve Bowen to do a carwash fundraiser at the Town Hall on the 8th. The fundraiser will be for Relay for Life. Member Naylor motioned to approve the use of the parking lot for the carwash. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Received many locates for Townline & US 20, work should begin soon.
- Requested that Susanna Detweiler be approved for full time work status. She would be considered a "floating" employee, working for whatever department is in need. The Clerk requested the authority to determine which funds she gets paid out of by where she works in any particular pay period. Member Naylor made a motion to allow the clerk the flexibility on paying from the appropriate funds, Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

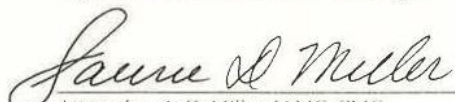
ATTORNEY: Member Hoover requested approval to attend a conference in Bloomington hosted by the Alliance of Indiana Rural Water on August 1st & 2nd. Member Naylor motioned to allow up to 4 attendees to the conference. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

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

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


Raymond Hoover, Council Vice President


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

