



TOWN OF
LaGrange
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Meeting Minutes: November 2, 2020

The regular meeting of the LaGrange Town Council met at 7:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall.
(Also available via Zoom)

Council Members Present: Raymond Hoover, Fred Romer, Carolyn Glick, Catie Gayheart and Diane Cameron

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

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

Member Romer motioned to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Romer made a motion to approve the October 19, 2020 minutes as well as the Executive Session minutes from that same date. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Josh Rosenogle of Leatherman Construction to discuss proposed variances for the Anthony Reigling property on South Detroit Street. A site plan was presented with details of the variances. The Town Manger requested more information regarding the alley and drainage issues. After discussing the details, Member Romer made a motion to grant a favorable recommendation from the Town to the LaGrange County Building and Zoning Department, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER:

- Industrial Control Systems has all the components for the ditch upgrade.

WATER:

- Met with DLZ regarding the new water plant design. We are likely on track to begin the project in the spring.
- Fountains downtown have been turned off and winterized.
- Assisted Matt Huffman and Bill Mains locate sewer laterals for Mastercraft for repairs.
- Fixed water lines that have caused multiple leaks over the past 5 years.

FIRE:

- Hose testing complete for 2020. A few sections of the hose failed the test. Will evaluate what needs to be replaced.
- Halloween with Heroes was a huge success.
- The November business meeting will be our department elections for Firefighters, Inc officer and annual award recipients.
- Discussed the contract between the Town of LaGrange and the appointed Fire Chief Dave Elick. Elick was asked if he had any concerns. He asked about the role of the Township Trustees in the contract, President Hoover stated that the contract was between the Town and the department, with the Chief. Member Glick then made a motion for the Council to allow President Hoover to approve (sign) the contract. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried. The contract was signed by President Hoover and Fire Chief David Elick.

STREET:

- Leaf pick up in full swing. Would like to consider replacing the leaf vacs in the future. They are nearing 25 years old.
- Helped the wastewater department clean lift stations
- Getting equipment ready for winter.

CLERK:

- Requested List of officers from Firefighters Inc for their fiscal year 2020.
- Requested that President Hoover be approved as signer in regards to the Care’s Act Reimbursement Program. Member Romer made a motion to approve this request, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried. An Application for the allotted reimbursement amount (\$89,155.00) was then presented. Member Glick made a motion for the Council President to sign the document, Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Clerk will submit the application to the Indiana Finance Authority.
- **Member Romer then made a motion to approve granting “Hazard Pay” for all employees, to be set by a Resolution amending the 2020 Wage and Salary Ordinance. The pay will be pending the approval by IFA, of the Cares Act Reimbursement application. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

TOWN MANAGER:

- Requested approval for Niblock’s second pay application in the amount of \$289,130.85 for the Walnut Street Project. Did a walk thru inspection of this project with Niblock and DLZ on Friday, October 30th. Member Cameron made a motion to approve the claim, Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- **Asked the council to grant permission for President Hoover to approve and sign for permits regarding the new Water Plant construction.**

ATTORNEY:

- Codification complete and sent in to American Legal.
- Easement for Interra Credit Union also complete and sent out.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Reviewed the plan for the arrival of Santa Claus on Saturday, December 5, 2020.

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

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



Raymond Hoover, Council Vice President



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