



TOWN OF
LaGrange
INDIANA

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Meeting Minutes:

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 March 1, 2021 minutes, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney Bill Eberhard opened bid documents for the 2020-2 Community Crossing Grants Project (Walnut Street) and the 2021 Greenwood Cemetery Improvements.

- Please refer to the attached bid tab sheet provided by DLZ Engineers

Council tabled the matter to give DLZ representatives an opportunity to review the bids.

WASTEWATER:

- Treated 9.513 MGD, operating at 19% plant capacity
- Ditch upgrade has been delayed for another week
- Generator project is complete
- Asked the Utility office to include the FOG flyer with utility bills due in April.
- Ready to accept from waste haulers, just waiting on a fee ordinance

Attorney Eberhard then introduced Ordinance #2021.03.15, setting fees for receiving waste from waste haulers. After discussing the specifics of the proposed ordinance, Member Romer made a motion to consider this the first reading of the ordinance and set a public hearing for Monday, April 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

WATER:

- Truck needs some mechanical work and is scheduled for repairs during the first week of April.
- Used the demo vactor truck to see what size valve will be needed for the second part of the Walnut Street project. Received three quotes for inserting the 6" valve at several locations.
 1. Culy Contracting \$6900.00
 2. Construction Services of Indiana \$5692.03
 3. EJP \$5559.85

Miller recommended purchasing from Construction Services of Indiana due to the customer service we have received in the past. The valve is also better quality. Would need one (1) for the Walnut Street project and 2 for other infrastructure repairs. Member Romer made a motion to allow the purchases from Construction Services of Indiana, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FIRE:

- Captain Mack Grobis gave an update on the Annual Chicken/Fish fry fundraiser. It will be held at D&L Metal on 250W this year to allow for better social distancing and relieve other safety concerns. Date of the event is April 3, 2021 from 3:00pm until 7:00pm.
- Set a time for interviews of applicants for Monday, March 22, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

POLICE:

- Worked through the Code Ordinance book with the Clerk, Town Manager, Water Supt, and Street Supt., this week. A list of concerns has been presented to the Town Attorney.

- Would like council approval to move forward with a code violation at a home on Poplar Street. Member Romer motioned to allow the marshal to work with the attorney to see what can be done about the violations. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DLZ:

- DLZ reported back on the 2021 CCMG street/cemetery project bids. It was noted that the bids were very competitive. Council discussed the various options and recommendations from DLZ and Town Manager Eagleson. At the end of the discussion, Member Glick made a motion to award the complete project (Streets and Cemetery) to HRP Construction. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- Member Romer then made a motion to giving President Hoover the authority to sign outside of a regular council meeting the following documents: 1. The Revised Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and Submittal to SRF (Water Plant Project) 2. Approval to Bid Project (SRF Front End Certification/ Authorization to Bid) and 3. IDEM Permit submittal.

STREET:

- Received a quote for repairs to the bucket truck in the amount of \$9456.73. These are safety issues with a hydraulic hose on the upper boom break. Options include repairing the vehicle, replacing the vehicle, or dispose of the vehicle and rent a truck as needed. The bucket truck is used regularly for various jobs, the department would like to repair it. Member Romer made a motion to approve the repair, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PARK:

- Member Glick presented updates and quotes for the completion of the Inclusive park and splash pad project.
 1. Fencing: Yoder & Son - white picket \$19,528.80; black vinyl chain link \$7,300.71
Quality Fencing - no response
Reyes Landscaping - Black Aluminum \$18,700.00; White vinyl Picket \$15,000.00
Would recommend the Black Aluminum fencing from Reyes Landscaping - he is donating 1/2 of the labor to do landscaping and the fencing is more durable, will be more aesthetically pleasing.
The members of the council discussed the pricing and options. Member Gayheart made a motion to approve the black aluminum fencing for \$18,700.00 with Reyes Landscaping doing the installation. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 2. Landscaping: Reyes Landscaping - \$3,400.00 (donating 1/2 of the labor costs)
Rook Leif - no response
Lake Country - no response
Creative Design - \$6000.00
Member Glick made a motion to approve Reyes Landscaping for \$3,400.00. Member Romer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 3. WIFI: Ligtel - Installation \$500.00, 99.95 per month (fiber optic)
Mediacom - \$129.50 per month for 60 months
Centurylink - \$64.99 per month with 2 year term, waiving the \$99 activation fee
Or \$114.99 per month for a month to month service
Item tabled for further information.
 4. Retaining wall replacement (by the ball diamond dugouts)
Reyes Landscaping - Railroad ties \$13, 500.00; Timbers \$19,800.00; Brick \$23,500.00
No other quotes were listed
Member Romer made a motion to approve Reyes Landscaping to do the work for \$13, 500.00. Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 5. Sidewalks from Lake to Factory Street (on Mountain St) west side of the street.
Nate Lehman \$24,500.00 - does not include needed excavation. He estimates this to be \$6000.00 to 8000.00
MM - refused job
Chucks Concrete - no response
Item tabled for further information.

CLERK:

- Presented Bank Reconciliation reports for February 2021 for review. Member Romer made a motion to sign approval documents. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Would like approval to open an account with TrustINdiana. This will allow another option for funds investment and join the TREC program for bad account collections. Member Romer made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Member Glick. Motion carried.

TOWN MANAGER:

- Presented a request from Thom Taylor to close Michigan and Spring Street on June 19, 2021 for the Courthouse Classic from 6:00 am – 11:00 am. Member Romer made a motion to approve the request, Member Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed the purchase of security cameras for the park. Cost estimate from Tech Solutions was \$3425.00
- Set a meeting of the RDC to discuss and application for a façade grant. Meeting was set for Monday, April 5th at 6:30 pm.
- We were contacted by Adam Sams from the Regional Utility District regarding the old cemetery truck. They would like to purchase the truck through an Interlocal Agreement. Eagleson suggested a selling price of \$2000.00 based on age and condition of the vehicle. Member Cameron made a motion to approve the sale with an interlocal agreement, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY:

- All items on his list have been discussed.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Member Glick asked about 2021 Spring Clean up. The event typically is the last weekend of April, but is not currently on the schedule. Council directed the Town Manager to look at getting the clean up day set.
- Member Hoover discussed the possibility of a Town wide trash hauler.

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 Gayheart seconded the motion. Motion Carried.


Raymond Hoover, Council Vice President


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