## MINUTES LAGRANGE CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 5, 2015

<u>CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT</u> Joe Davenport, Mayor and Stephanie Cooper, City Clerk

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT</u> Tad Humble, Debbie Pollard, Ann Zimlich, Bill Lammlein, Trey Kamer, Shannon Pottie, Stephanie Chalfant and Jean Knight

Steve Emery, City Attorney, was present.

Mayor Davenport called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 1, 2014 MEETING Councilwoman Pollard made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 1, 2014 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Humble.

<u>DECEMBER 1, 2014 FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Councilman Humble made a motion to accept the December 1, 2014 financial report. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Knight.

MAYOR'S OPENING REMARKS Mayor Davenport thanked everyone for attending the meeting and thanked Bill Lammlein for his four years of service as Mayor. He welcomed the new council members and stated he was looking forward to working with them.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Doug Johnson came before the Council to discuss a matter with a hand rail on property located at 114 E. Main Street. He had appeared before the Historic District Commission earlier and their ruling had been to reinstall the handrail to it's historic condition. Mr. Johnson had 30 days to appeal this matter, but had failed to do so. Tom Haus, Code Enforcement Officer, also spoke regarding this matter.

Councilman Lammlein made a motion that the Council did not entertain hearing this matter as he felt they did not have enough information to

make an informed decision. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Knight and passed unanimously, 8 to 0.

APPOINTMENT OF STEVE EMERY AS CITY ATTORNEY - A motion was made by Councilwoman Knight and seconded by Councilwoman Pollard to appoint Steve Emery as City Attorney. The motion passed unanimously, 8 to 0.

<u>APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL ORDER 1-2015</u> - Steve Emery read Municipal Order 1-2015, an order for retaining the City Attorney. A motion to accept this order was made by Councilman Humble, seconded by Councilman Lammlein and passed unanimously, 8 to 0.

APPROVAL OF FRANK CONWAY AS CHIEF OF POLICE - A motion was made by Councilman Kamer and seconded by Councilwoman Pollard to appoint Frank Conway as Chief of Police. The motion passed unanimously, 8 to 0.

## **APPOINTMENT OF TAD HUMBLE TO LAGRANGE UTILITIES COMMISSION -**

A motion to appoint Tad Humble to the LaGrange Utilities Commission was made by Councilwoman Pottie and seconded by Councilwoman Knight. The motion passed 7 to 1, with Councilman Humble abstaining.

APPOINTMENT OF COREY RUSNAK AS PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR - A motion was made by Councilman Humble and seconded by Councilwoman Pollard to appoint Corey Rusnak as Public Works Director. The motion passed unanimously, 8 to 0.

<u>DISCOVER DOWNTOWN LAGRANGE REPORT</u> - The Discover Downtown LaGrange report was presented by Nancy Griffin.

**LAGRANGE UTILITIES REPORT** - The LaGrange Utilities report was presented by Ted Chisholm.

<u>OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS</u> - Chief Conway introduced new officer Corey Adams. There was discussion regarding advertising for sealed bids on the former Police Department building.

**ADJOURN** - A motion was made by Councilman Lammlein and seconded by

Councilwoman Pollard to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.