

FEBRUARY 21, 2023

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, in their meeting room, County Office Building, 114 W. Michigan Street, LaGrange, Indiana, 46761, at 8:30 a.m., with the following present: Commissioners, Mr. Terry A. Martin, Mr. Kevin R. Myers, and Mr. Peter A. Cook; and LaGrange County Auditor, Kathryn Hopper. Mr. Terry Martin, President, called the meeting to order and led in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to adopt the proposed agenda with flexibility. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NUISANCE ISSUE – 3460 SOUTH 1145 EAST LAND TRUST. 3460 S 1145 E, LAGRANGE, INDIANA

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, explained that according to Mr. Bill Stewart, Code Enforcement Officer, the property is not in compliance and is still a public nuisance issue. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to have a status update on April 3, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ARK ANIMAL SANCTUARY – ROOF OVER DOG RUN

Mrs. Kathy Hopper, County Auditor, presented three quotes for new roof over the dog run at the Animal Shelter. Ms. Cindy Miller, Director of the ARK Animal Sanctuary, recommends using the quote from Shetler Construction in the amount of \$989 to be paid out of the Mary Jane Ecker Irrevocable Trust account. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the quote to be paid out of the Mary Jane Ecker Irrevocable Trust account. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and to carried unanimously.

PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE – VEHICLE PURCHASE

Ms. Suellyn Mickem, Prosecutor's Office Manager, presented three quotes for a used vehicle for the Prosecutor's Investigator whose vehicle was totaled. They would like to purchase a 2020 Dodge Durango GT, with 21,471 miles, for \$35,000 from Eby Ford Lincoln. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY PURCHASE REQUEST – CULVERT CLEANER PACKAGE

Mr. Aaron Fugate, Highway Supervisor, presented a quote from Battle Armor Designs, LLC, for a 2022 culvert cleaner package, in the amount of \$5,195. The purchase would come out of the Cumulative Bridge Fund. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY PURCHASE REQUEST – TRAILER WITH TILT

Mr. Aaron Fugate, Highway Supervisor, presented four quotes for a trailer with tilt for the excavator. The lowest quote is from Cargo Plus Sales and Service, in the amount of \$33,580. The purchase would come out of the Cumulative Bridge Fund. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY PURCHASE REQUEST – SNOWPLOW

Mr. Aaron Fugate, Highway Supervisor, presented three quotes for a snowplow for the new truck. The lowest quote is from W.A. Jones, in the amount of \$8,385. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BUTLER, FAIRMAN AND SEUFERT, INC. – 2023 TRANSPORTATION ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, presented a proposal from Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc. to complete a 2023 Transportation Asset Management Plan which includes a detailed roadway evaluation, detailed small structure/bridge evaluation, and a funding source evaluation. The proposal is in the amount of \$87,500. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

DEAF CHILD SIGN

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Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, requested permission to place a deaf child sign on County Road 600 North. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the sign. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LAMBRIGHT FARM – GARAGE ROOF

Mr. Jason Boggs, Building Commissioner, presented two quotes to replace the roof over the garage at the Lambright Farm. The lowest quote is from Shetler Construction in the amount of \$4,876. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the purchase to be paid out of the Lambright Property fund. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT – VEHICLE PURCHASE

Mr. Jason Boggs, Building Commissioner, presented a quote from Shepherd's Family Auto Group, in the amount of \$44,620 for a 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 and a quote from Max Platt Ford-Lincoln, Inc in the amount of \$23,324.25 for a 2022 Ford Maverick Supercrew. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 1500. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

KIMMERLE ENGINEERING – AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

Mr. Tracy Harker, County Sheriff, Presented an agreement with Kimmerle Engineering for a building design of a 48' x 96' detective bay, pool car and tactical training building. The agreement is in the amount of \$12,300. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the agreement to be paid out of the EDIT fund. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SHERIFF – BUILDING PROJECT

Mr. Tracy Harker, County Sheriff, requested approval to proceed with a new building. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to send the request to the County Council with a positive recommendation, to be funded out of the ARPA fund. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, presented the Accounts Payable Vouchers. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the vouchers. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2023, regular session meetings. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the memorandum for the February 15, 2023, staff meeting. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Public Comment, Clearspring Manufacturing, LLC, Permit Number 087-45855-00079

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, Keystone RV Company, 1100, 1115 W Lake St, 305,325,335,345,355 Hawpatch Dr, and 201 Crossfire Sr., Topeka Indiana 46571, MSOP Minor Permit Revision 087-46146-00086

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, FN Chairs LLC, 2175 W 450 S,

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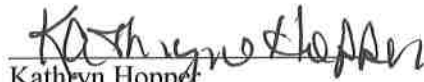
LaGrange, Indiana 46761, FESOP Significant Permit Revision 087-45923-00683
Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, Lambright woodworking, LLC, 7785
West 300 South, Topeka, Indiana 46571, MSOP Renewal 087-46058-00020

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to adjourn and meet on any subsequent day necessary to carry on the business of the Board. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.


Terry A. Martin
Kevin R. Myers
Peter A. Cook

ATTEST:


Kathryn Hopper
LaGrange County Auditor