

JANUARY 2, 2024

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, 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. Peter A. Cook, and Mr. Kevin R. Myers; 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.

REORGANIZATION

Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to have Mr. Terry Martin be president and Mr. Peter Cook be vice president. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY - TANDEM AXLE TRUCK CHASSIS

Mr. Aaron Fugate, Highway Supervisor, explained that on December 4, 2023 two tandem axle truck chassis and two truck bodies, blades, and hydraulic components were approved to be purchased from Stoop Freightliner. He would like to add a premium passenger seat with arm rest, steel wheels powder coated black, and would like to change the color of the trucks to orange. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to accept the changes. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COUNTY ENGINEER – REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, requested permission to apply for a Community Crossings Matching Grant for \$1,500,000 with a 25% match required from the County. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to apply for the grant. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

FLEIS & VANDENBRINK ENGINEERING, INC. – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, presented a Professional Services Agreement for assistance on the 2024 Community Crossings Matching Grant application. The agreement is in the amount of \$21,000. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to apply for the grant. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, presented Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements from Jeff Brill and Jeff Campos. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to accept. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2024 COMMISSIONER ASSIGNMENTS

Mr. Terry Martin presented the following Commissioner assignments for 2024:

<u>BOARD</u>	<u>2024</u>
Council on Aging Board	Mr. Kevin Myers
County Plan Commission	Mr. Kevin Myers
Community Corrections w/ Steuben County	Mr. Peter Cook
Drug Free LaGrange County	Mr. Peter Cook
Emergency Management Agency Advisory Board	Mr. Terry Martin
Extension Board	Mr. Peter Cook
LaGrange County Citizen's Drainage Board	Mr. Kevin Myers
LaGrange/Noble Joint Drainage Board	Mr. Peter Cook
Steuben/DeKalb/LaGrange County Drainage Board	Mr. Terry Martin
LaGrange County Regional Utility District Advisor	Mr. Peter Cook
Legal Expense Review	Mr. Terry Martin
Local Emergency Planning Committee	Mr. Terry Martin
Northeast Indiana Solid Waste District	Mr. Peter Cook
Park Board	Mr. Terry Martin

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Redevelopment Commission
St. Joseph River Basin Commission
Wood Land Lakes
Edit Committee
Region 3-A
NEI Investment Board
Major Moves Committee
Economic Development Corporation
Health Board
Human Resource Committee
Insurance - Liability
Insurance - Health
Lambright Farm
LaGrange County Community Foundation - Investment
Public Defender Board
Mayors' / Commissioners' Caucus
Judicial Committee
Personnel Handbook Committee

Mr. Peter Cook
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Ms. Kathryn Hopper
Mr. Kevin Myers
Mr. Kevin Myers
Mr. Kevin Myers
Mr. Kevin Myers
Mrs. Robbie Miller
Mr. Peter Cook
Mr. Kevin Myers
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Mr. Terry Martin
Mr. Kevin Myers
Mr. Charles Ashcraft
Mr. Kevin Myers
Mr. Peter Cook
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Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the assignments as presented. 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. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2023 regular session meetings. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

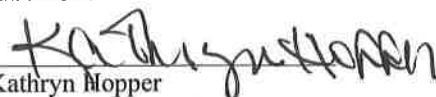
There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to adjourn and meet on any subsequent day necessary to carry on the business of the Board. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ABSENT
Terry A. Martin


Peter A. Cook


Kevin R. Myers

ATTEST:


Kathryn Hopper
LaGrange County Auditor