

JUNE 16 , 2025

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, June 16, 2025, 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.

ARK ANIMAL RESCUE AND ADOPTION

Ms. Jill Hostetler, from ARK Animal Rescue, reported that they have two fundraisers coming up to raise money for the shelter.

HEALTH – GRANT APPLICATION REQUEST

Ms. Jackie Feller, Health First Indiana Coordinator with the LaGrange County Health Department, requested permission to apply for a grant from the Family and Social service Administration. The grant is a dollar for dollar match grant that supports substance use/misuse prevention, transportation services, and capital expense for recovery residence. The \$150,000 grant match would come from opioid settlement funds. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve applying for the grant and authorize the president to sign. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MAINTENANCE – REQUEST FOR NEW GUTTERS AT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Mr. Gary Mast, Maintenance Director, reported that the gutters at the Health Department are in need of replacement. The lowest quote is from Kennedy Gutter & Paint, in the amount of \$4,600. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the quote. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPOST FACILITY

Mr. Aaron Fugate, Highway Supervisor, reported that he has received quotes for the electrical work at the compost facility for the attendant's shed. The lowest quote to from Landmark Builders, in the amount of \$7,917. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the quote. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Mr. Marc Peterson, Information Technology Director, presented a quote from Verizon for new iPads for the Health Department. The quote is for 7 iPads in the amount of \$6,341.86. The iPads would be paid for with a State grant for vaccines for Children. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the quote. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COVERED BRIDGE CERTIFICATION

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, presented the 2020 Covered Bridge Certification, certifying that there are no covered bridges in LaGrange County. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the certification. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MAY 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, presented the financial statement for the month ending April 30, 2025, in the amount of \$53,516,380.44 and investments of \$19,362,340.00. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to accept the report. 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.

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MINUTES

Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2025 regular session. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the memorandum for the June 11, 2025 staff meeting. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BIDS FOR LAGRANGE COUNTY ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT

At 9:00 a.m. Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, opened the following bids for resurfacing of approximately 16.5 miles of County Road 700 South from the Town of Topeka limits to County Road 1100 East:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
API Constructions Corp.	LaOtto, Indiana	\$5,312,414.00
Books Construction Co. Inc.	Fort Wayne, Indiana	4,838,005.00
E & B Paving, Inc.	Fort Wayne, Indiana	5,972,910.00
Niblock Excavating, Inc.	Bristol, Indiana	4,717,606.20
Phend & Brown, Inc.	Milford, Indiana	4,818,440.25

Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to award the bid to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder, subject to review by the County Engineer and County Attorney and authorize the president to sign outside of a public meeting. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

LaGrange County Clerk of the Circuit Court – May 2025 report

LaGrange County Treasurer – May 2025 report

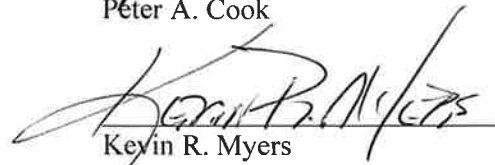
ADJOURNMENT

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.

Terry A. Martin



Peter A. Cook



Kevin R. Myers

ATTEST:

Kathryn Hopper
LaGrange County Auditor

JUNE 18 , 2025

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Special Session on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, in their meeting room, County Office Building, 114 W. Michigan Street, LaGrange, Indiana, 46761, at 1:00 p.m., with the following present: Commissioners, Mr. Terry A. Martin 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. Peter Cook made a motion to adopt the proposed agenda with flexibility. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM COUNTY ASSESSOR

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, explained that the LaGrange County Assessor, Patricia Monroe, retired on June 13, 2025. An interim County Assessor needs to be appointed until a County Assessor is appointed by the Republican Caucus. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to appoint Kimberlee Fairchild as the interim LaGrange County Assessor, effective today. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BIDS FOR LAGRANGE COUNTY ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT


On Monday, June 16, 2025, the bids were opened for resurfacing of approximately 16.5 miles of County Road 700 South from the Town of Topeka limits to County Road 1100 East. The lowest bid was from Niblock Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$4,717,606.20. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to award the bid to Niblock Excavating, Inc, and to authorize the president to sign the documents outside of a public meeting. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Terry Martin 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

