

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, September 15, 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.

LAGRANGE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – HOUSING PROJECT

Mr. Mark Leu, President of the LaGrange County Redevelopment Commission (RDC), explained that a housing development is being planned for the east edge of LaGrange. The developer has spoken with the RDC and is interested in having the area put in a residential Tax Increment Financing (TIF) area. The RDC is in the process of applying for a \$10,000 grant to be used towards the project. He anticipates the start up costs to be around \$50,000. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to authorize the LaGrange County Redevelopment Commission to move forward with the residential TIF for the project. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PITNEY BOWES LEASE AGREEMENT

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, explained that he has been working with Mrs. Kimberley Johnson, County Clerk on a new lease agreement with Pitney Bowes. This is for the postage for various departments in the Courthouse. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the agreement and to authorize the President to sign it. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PUBLIC DEFENDER – REQUEST TO PURCHASE OFFICE FURNITURE

Mr. Jim Hanson, Chief Public Defender, requested permission to purchase office furniture. The furniture is for his office and two paralegal offices. The cost is \$6,067.15 and would be paid out of his budget. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the purchases. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

TITLE VI IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND ADA TRANSITION PLAN

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, presented an updated ADA Transition Plan, an updated Title VI Implementation Plan, and a list of Title VI goals and accomplishments for 2024 and 2025. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the documents. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BUTLER, FAIRMAN & SEUFERT, INC – CONTRACT FOR PAINT STRIPING

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, presented a new an LPA-Consulting Contract between The Board of Commissioners and Butler, Fairman & Seufert, Inc. for construction engineering for centerline pavement markings on various County roads in the amount of \$23,000.00. The twenty miles of paint striping would be done in 2026. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the documents. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NEW HIGHWAY GARAGE – CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, presented two proposals for construction management for a new highway garage. The lowest proposal is from Anchor Construction in the amount of \$1,890,000. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to send the proposal from Anchor Construction to the County Council with a positive recommendation. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY – SURPLUS ITEMS

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, requested permission to declare a 2002 International bucket truck, a 2013 International tandem dump truck, and a Better Build fuel tanks as surplus. The trucks would be sold, and the fuel tank would be scaped. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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HIGHWAY – REQUEST TO PURCHASE NEW BUCKET TRUCK

Mrs. Tharon Morgan, County Engineer, requested permission to purchase a new bucket truck. The old truck can no longer be certified, and repair parts are no longer available. She presented a quote from Altec in the amount of \$188,795. She is requesting to spend up to \$200,000. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the purchase subject to approval of the County Council. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

Mrs. Robbie Miller, Plan Administrator, presented the following Ordinance for consideration:

LAGRANGE COUNTY, INDIANA
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-09- 15 A

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MAPS OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF
LAGRANGE COUNTY, INDIANA FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ZONING
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ESTATE DESCRIBED HEREIN

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2024, pursuant to Indiana Code (“IC”) 36-7-4-606, the Board of Commissioners of the County of LaGrange (“Commissioners”) adopted the Unified Development Ordinance of LaGrange County, Indiana (Ordinance 2024-08-19-A or “UDO”);

WHEREAS, the UDO is the zoning ordinance for LaGrange County, Indiana (“County”) and incorporates by reference the various zoning maps and classifications of the County;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(1)(B), after the zoning ordinance for a jurisdiction has been adopted, a proposal to change the zoning maps with respect to a specified area of the County may be initiated by a petition signed by property owners who own at least 50% of the land involved;

WHEREAS, Calvin A & Royane Gingerich (collectively, “Landowner”) has at least a 50% ownership interest in the real property located at 2745 N 850 W., Shipshewana identified as Parcels 44-05-10-200-013.000-014 in the records of the Office of the County Auditor, and more particularly described as follows:

Situated in LaGrange County, the State of Indiana, to-wit:

A tract of land located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 10, Township 37 North, Range 08 East, in Newbury Civil Township, LaGrange County, the State of Indiana. Said tract being an Original Survey as prepared by Scott Zeigler, PS #LS29600008, dba Hand to the Plow Surveying, LLC; 5678 West – 350 South, Albion, Indiana 46701, being represented as Plat of Survey #37-08-10-100-004. Said tract being all of a tract of land conveyed to Calvin A. Gingerich and Royane L. Gingerich, as described in LaGrange County Document No. 86-03-0025 and part of a tract of land conveyed to Calvin A. Gingerich and Royane L. Gingerich, as described in LaGrange County Document No.95-11-0188, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Northeast Quarter, said point being marked by a Harrison Marker; thence North 00 degrees 56 minutes 42 seconds West (Grid-Indiana GCS-LaGrange County), along the West line of said Northeast Quarter, for 1039.27 feet to the Southwest corner of said Gingerich tract (Document No. 86-03-0025), said point being marked by a Zeigler Marker Spike and being the Point of Beginning for this description; thence continuing North 00 degrees 56 minutes 42 seconds West, along the West line of said Northeast Quarter, for 269.00 feet to the Northwest corner of said Gingerich tract (Document No. 95-11-0188), said point being marked by a Zeigler Marker Spike; thence North 89 degrees 14 minutes 18 seconds East, along the North line of said Gingerich tract of land (Document No. 95-11-0188),

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for 372.00 feet to a #5 Zeigler Rebar; thence South 00 degrees 56 minutes 42 seconds East, parallel with the West line of said Northeast Quarter, along the East line of said Gingerich tract of land (Document No. 86-

03-0025) and the Northerly prolongation thereof, for 269.00 feet to the Southeast corner of said Gingerich tract of land (Document No. 86-03-0025), said point of

being marked by a #5 Rebar; thence South 89 degrees 14 minutes 18 seconds West, along the South line of said Gingerich tract (Document No. 86-03-0025), for 372.99 feet to the Point of Beginning, said tract containing 2.30 acres, more or less.

(the "Real Estate");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 13.03 and 13.04 of the UDO, Landowner has caused a completed application to be filed with the Zoning Administrator to amend the zoning maps of the UDO such that the Real Estate be reclassified from I-2 to A-2 ("Proposal");

WHEREAS, on May 13th, 2025, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(4) and -608(b), after having provided legal notice to all interested parties in accordance with IC 36-7-4-604, the LaGrange County Plan Commission ("Plan Commission") conducted a public hearing on the Proposal;

WHEREAS, on May 13th, 2025, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(5) and IC 36-7-4-605, the Plan Commission submitted to the Commissioners a certified copy of the Proposal, which is hereby incorporated by reference, whereby the Proposal was given a favorable recommendation;

WHEREAS, on May 19th, 2025, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(6) and IC 36-7-4-608, the Commissioners considered the Proposal at its regular meeting, after first having given notice under IC 5-14-1.5-5 of its intention to consider the Proposal at the meeting;

WHEREAS, an error existed in the legal description of the Real Estate contained in the Plan Commission Resolution dated May 13th, 2025.

WHEREAS, an error existed in the legal description of the Real Estate contained in the Commissioners Ordinance dated May 19th, 2025.

WHEREAS, on September 9th, 2025, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(5) and IC 36-7-4-605, the Plan Commission submitted to the Commissioners a certified copy of the Amended Proposal, which is hereby incorporated by reference, whereby the Proposal was given a favorable recommendation;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-603, in preparing and considering the Proposal, both the Plan Commission and Commissioners have paid reasonable regard to the statutory criteria set forth therein; *and*

WHEREAS, a motion to adopt this ordinance was substantively introduced and seconded by members of the Commissioners constituting a legal quorum present at a public meeting, which was duly called pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 by a notice stating its date, time, place, and purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LAGRANGE, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION I – MAP AMENDMENT

- A. Recitals. The foregoing recitals, including all defined terms, are hereby incorporated into, and made a part of, this ordinance and found to be true, accurate, and correct.
- B. Proposal. The certified Proposal is hereby approved and adopted.
- C. Rezone. The UDO zoning maps, which are incorporated by reference, are hereby amended, and shall be redrawn as necessary, to show that the Real Estate is rezoned as stated in the Proposal.

SECTION II – MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Repeal of Prior Law. All other provisions of ordinances and resolutions previously adopted are hereby repealed to the extent they are inconsistent with or in conflict with this ordinance but only to such extent. Ordinance 2025-05-19-B, which was adopted on May 19th, 2025 is hereby repealed in its entirety.
- B. Conflicts. No part of this ordinance shall be interpreted to conflict with any local, state, or federal laws, and all reasonable efforts should be made to harmonize the same.
- C. Severability. Should any section or part thereof of this ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the decision shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole, nor any other portion thereof, and for this purpose the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.
- D. Incorporated Materials. Two (2) copies of all materials incorporated by reference herein shall be on file in the Office of the County Auditor for public inspection.
- E. Promulgation. The County Zoning Administrator and Auditor are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to take all action necessary or proper to authenticate, record, publish, promulgate, and/or otherwise make this ordinance effective.
- F. Codification. The codifier of ordinances shall omit codification of this ordinance.
- G. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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WHEREAS, the UDO is the zoning ordinance for LaGrange County, Indiana (“County”) and incorporates by reference the various zoning maps and classifications of the County;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(1)(B), after the zoning ordinance for a jurisdiction has been adopted, a proposal to change the zoning maps with respect to a specified area of the County may be initiated by a petition signed by property owners who own at least 50% of the land involved;

WHEREAS, Lavern & Lou Ann Bontrager, Bontrager, Wayne D & Dorothy Mae - Trustees of Bontrager Family Trust w/LE for Bontrager, Wayne D & Dorothy M, Tri-County Land Trustee Corporation & Bontrager, Lavern L & Louanna w/LE for Bontrager, Susie L Bontrager, Lavern L & Louanna (collectively, “Landowner”) has at least a 50% ownership interest in the real property located at 700 S, 2290 W 700 S, 2210 W 700 S & 2180 W 700 S., Topeka, IN identified as Parcels 44-11-

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34-200-016.000-005, 44-11-34-200-003.000-005, 44-11-34-200-004.001-005 & 44-11-34-200-004.002-005 in the records of the Office of the County Auditor, and more particularly described as follows:

Situated in the County of LaGrange, State of Indiana, described as follows:

44-11-34-200-016.000-005

Situated in the County of LaGrange, State of Indiana, described as follows:

Part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 36 North, Range 9 East, Clearspring Civil Township, LaGrange County, Indiana, bounded as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 39'50" East (assumed bearing) 379.72 feet along the North line of said section to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 39'50" East 386.75 feet along said North line; thence South 0 degrees 52'18" East 471.99 feet along the East line of land described in Deed Record 9602-433 to the North right-of-way of the former Wabash Railroad; thence North 83 degrees 42'28" West 390.69 feet along said Railroad to a Taylor-capped rebar; thence North 0 degrees 52'18" West 420.13 feet back to the point of beginning, and containing 4.0 acres, more or less.

44-11-34-200-003.000-005

Commencing 77 feet West of the Northeast corner of the West half of the Northeast Quarter of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Thirty-six (36) North, Range Nine (9) East, and running thence West 473 feet; thence South 265 feet; thence East 473 feet; thence North to the place of beginning, and containing 2.87 acres, more or less.

44-11-34-200-004.001-005

Lot Number One (1) in Bontrager Feed Addition, located in Section 34, Township 36 North, Range 9 East, recorded in Plat Book 26, pages 1-1A in the Office of the Recorder of LaGrange County, Indiana.

44-11-34-200-004.002-005

Lot 2 of the Bontrager Feed Addition, a Subdivision in the Northeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 36 North, Range 9 East, as recorded in the Office of the LaGrange County Recorder on March 20, 2013, #13030425, in Plat Book 26, Page 1.

(collectively, the "Real Estate");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 13.03 and 13.04 of the UDO, Landowner has caused a completed application to be filed with the Zoning Administrator to amend the zoning maps of the UDO such that the Real Estate be reclassified from A-2 to PUD ("Proposal");

WHEREAS, on September 9th, 2025, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(4) and -608(b), after having provided legal notice to all interested parties in accordance with IC 36-7-4-604, the LaGrange County Plan Commission ("Plan Commission") conducted a public hearing on the Proposal;

WHEREAS, on September 9th, 2025, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-602(c)(5) and IC 36-7-4-605, the Plan Commission submitted to the Commissioners a certified copy of the Proposal, which is hereby incorporated by reference, whereby the Proposal was given a favorable recommendation;

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WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-603, in preparing and considering the Proposal, both the Plan Commission and Commissioners have paid reasonable regard to the statutory criteria set forth therein; *and*

WHEREAS, a motion to adopt this ordinance was substantively introduced and seconded by members of the Commissioners constituting a legal quorum present at a public meeting, which was duly called pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 by a notice stating its date, time, place, and purpose.

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Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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WHEREAS, MJM Improvements, LLC ("Landowner") has at least a 50% ownership interest in the real property located at E US 20, LaGrange, Indiana identified as Parcel 44-07-20-300-016.000-001 in the records of the Office of the County Auditor, and more particularly described as follows:

Situated in LaGrange County, State of Indiana, to-wit:

A tract of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 20, Township 37 North, Range 10, LaGrange County, the state of Indiana, surveyed by Joshua P. Lash, professional surveyor for Midwest Land Surveying, LLC located at 124 E. Albion Street, Avilla, IN 46710, with a professional license of LS20900180, more fully described as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast Corner Lot 2 in Irish Hills, Section 3 per LaGrange County Plat Book 13, Pages 3 & 3A marked by a Mag Nail Set; Thence North 01 degree 04 feet 24 inches West, along the West line of said Lot 2, for 1277.78 feet to a Mag Nail set at the Northeast corner of said Lot 2 and the center of County Road 25 North; thence easterly along said center line, for the following eight bearings and lengths: North 88 degrees 51 feet 56 inches East, for 741.00 feet to a Mag Nail Set; thence with a curve turning to the right with an arc length of 265.51 feet, with a radius of 737.12 feet, with a chord bearing of South 81 degrees 30 feet 47 inches East, with a chord length of 264.08 feet to a Mag Nail Set; thence South 68 degrees 15 feet 56 inches East, for 637.20 feet to a Mag Nail Set; thence South 70 degrees 34 feet 35 inches East, for 44.47 feet to a Mag Nail Set; thence South 01 degrees 01 feet 50 inches East, for 716.81 feet to a rebar set on the North line of a tract of land conveyed to Joseph W. Miller and Rachel Miller per LaGrange County document number 202401090; thence South 89 degrees 15 feet 53 inches West, along the North line of said Miller tract, for 232.81 feet to a 1.5" iron pin corner post found; thence South 00 degrees 47 feet 09 inches East, along the West line of said Miller tract, for 273.31 feet to a Mag Nail Set on the South line of said Southwest Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 36 feet 23 inches West, along the South line of said Southwest Quarter, for 1388.34 feet to the point of beginning said tract of land containing 44.09 acres, more or less, and being subject to all public road rights-of-ways and all easements of record.

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Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – PURCHASE REQUEST

Mr. Bill Morr, Emergency Management Director, explained that the safety committee is recommending purchasing door barricades for the offices. The cost is \$75.00 each. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT - FEMA IPAWS PROGRAM

Mr. Bill Morr, Emergency Management Director, presented a Memorandum of Agreement between the LaGrange County Sheriff's Department and the Federal Emergency Management Agency IPAWS program. This will enable messages and alerts to be sent out locally. This is in addition to Nixle. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ELECTION – VOTING MACHINE POLL PADS

Mrs. Kimberley Johnson, County Clerk, explained that the election voting machine poll pads are outdated. She presented a quote for twenty new voting machine poll pads, in the amount of \$21,900. She has \$10,000 in her budget for the purchase. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the purchase, subject to the Council approving funding. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPOST SITE

Mr. Kevin Myers announced that the compost site will open on Thursday, September 18, 2025. The site will open Thursday and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The site will be take cash and check only at this time. The fees at this time will be as follows:

1-3 garbage bags full of grass clippings or leaves	\$ 5.00
Pickup Truckbed or 4'x8' trailer	\$10.00
Larger Trailer	\$20.00
Dump Truck	\$25.00
Logs up to 8' long, and up to 18" in diameter	\$ 8.00 per log

AUGUST 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, presented the financial statement for the month ending August 31, 2025, in the amount of \$58,878,901.28 and investments of \$19,452,340.00. 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.

MINUTES

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

MEMORANDUM

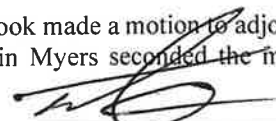
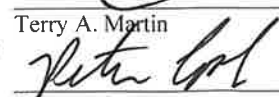
Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the memorandum for the September 10, 2025 staff meeting and the September 10, 2025 Executive Session. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

LaGrange County Clerk of the Circuit Court – August 2025 report
LaGrange County Treasurer – August 2025 report

ADJOURNMENT

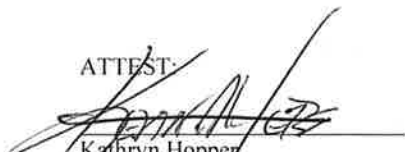
There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to adjourn and meet on any subsequent day necessary to carry on the business of the Board. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.


Terry A. Martin

Peter A. Cook

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ATTEST:


Kathryn Hopper
LaGrange County Auditor




Kevin R. Myers