

JANUARY 5, 2026

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, January 5, 2026, 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 FOR 2026

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.

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING THE LAGRANGE COUNTY TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, presented the following Ordinance for consideration:

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01-05

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING THE LAGRANGE COUNTY TRAFFIC ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code ("IC") 36-9-2-7, a unit may regulate the use of public ways;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-1-2(a), a local authority may adopt by ordinance additional traffic regulations with respect to highways under the authority's jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-1-2-9, the Board of Commissioners of the County of LaGrange ("Commissioners") is the legislative body of LaGrange County, Indiana ("County");

WHEREAS, the Commissioners desire to create a more orderly and safe flow of traffic upon County highways;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-5-3, a local authority may alter a speed limit within its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-4-11, a local authority may designate a through highway and post stop or yield signs at specified entrances to the highway;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-1-3(6), a local authority may designate a highway as a through highway within its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-1-3(7), a local authority may designate an intersection as a stop intersection and require all vehicles to stop at the intersection;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-20-1-3, a local authority may prohibit the operation of trucks or other commercial vehicles, and impose limitations as to the size, weight, or use on designated highways in its jurisdiction and post signs accordingly;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-20-7-2, a local authority in charge of a bridge may reduce the gross load weight allowed below the maximum load prescribed by state statute;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-4-13, a local authority may designate a no-passing zone within its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-4-20, a local authority may designate with appropriate signage an area as a "highway worksite" where highway construction, reconstruction, or maintenance is actually occurring;

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WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-1-3(a)(1), a local authority may regulate the parking of vehicles with respect to highways under its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 9-21-16-5(14), a person may not stop, stand, or park a vehicle at any place where official signs prohibit stopping; *and*

WHEREAS, the Commissioners desire to amend and restate the current LaGrange County Traffic Ordinance (Ord. 2020-12-07-A), provided, wherever this ordinance gives effect to a provision that is substantively similar to a provision contained in a prior version of this ordinance, that this ordinance be considered a restatement or reenactment of the several original ordinances or amendments thereof and that those prior ordinance provisions be deemed re-ordained by the adoption of this ordinance without the need for further formality.

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

SECTION I – NAME

This ordinance shall be known as the “LaGrange County Traffic Ordinance” or the “Traffic Ordinance” where the context is obvious.

SECTION II – 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.

SECTION III – DEFINITIONS; INTERPRETATIONS

A. Meaning. Whenever the following terms are used in this ordinance, they shall have those meanings herein ascribed to them unless the context clearly indicates or requires otherwise.

1. “Applicable law” means this ordinance, all laws, constitutions, regulations, codes, ordinances, rules, orders, awards, permit terms, license terms, authorizations, judgments, injunctions, writs, decrees, and any respective amendments thereto, of any government or quasi-government entity having jurisdiction over the County, especially of the Indiana Department of Transportation and the Indiana Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (IMUTCD), and the rules of the Highway Department that are not otherwise inconsistent with this ordinance.
2. “Bridge” includes small structures, causeways, and viaducts.
3. “Bridge Inventory” refers collectively to the most recent versions of the NBIS load posting summary, the Phase I County Bridge Inspection Report, the LaGrange County Bridge Inventory Asset System (BIAS) Report, and the LaGrange County Small Structure Inventory Report.
4. “Committee” refers to the Engineering and Traffic Investigation Committee created by the Engineering and Traffic Investigation Committee Establishment Ordinance.
5. “GVW” stands for “gross vehicle weight,” and such measurement means the combined total combined weight of the vehicle and any attached trailers including, but not limited to, the weight of the cargo, chassis, body, engine, fluids, and fuel.
6. “Highway” means the entire width between the boundary lines of every way, street, road, alley, right-of-way, or path under the jurisdiction of the County where any part thereof is customarily open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel.
7. “Highway Department” refers to the LaGrange County Highway Department.
8. “Highway Engineer” means the County employee designated by the Commissioners to perform or administer engineering services for County highways and bridges; the term includes any other person to whom the Highway Engineer has delegated a portion of his or her duties to the extent of the delegation.

9. "Highway Supervisor" means the County employee appointed by the Commissioners pursuant to IC 8-17-3-1; the term includes any other person to whom the Highway Supervisor has delegated a portion of his or her duties to the extent of the delegation.
 10. "Schedule" refers to the respective schedule appended to this ordinance.
 11. "Sign" means any sign, signal, paint, device, or mark that is posted on, along, or above a highway or bridge and that is meant to convey rules, information, or instructions to persons.
 12. "Vehicle" has the meaning provided in IC 9-13-2-196.
- B. **Arbiter.** The Commissioners shall be solely responsible for determining the meaning of the terms in this section.
- C. **Common Abbreviations.** The following highway designations are used: "CR" stands for "County Road"; "SR" for "State Road"; and "US" for "United States Highway." Other common directional and highway abbreviations shall be given their standard application.
- D. **Measurement.** Reference in this ordinance to the location of any state, county, town, or township in a denominated portion of a highway means to or from the nearest edge of the territorial limits of that respective state, county, town, or township, as may change from time to time.
- E. **Adoption Histories.** The adoption histories in the schedules are provided for reference only; provided, however, that a party to an enforcement action may refer to a repealed ordinance thereby referenced as evidence to resolve any ambiguity or to make a showing of a clear scrivener's error.

SECTION IV – SCOPE

- A. **Official Action.** Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to regulate any person to the extent that the person is: (i) acting on behalf of the County or another government entity in the line of duty; (ii) an emergency responder actively responding to an emergency; or (iii) cooperating directly with a law enforcement officer or County personnel.
- B. **Signage.**
1. If an act or omission would be considered a violation under this ordinance but is specifically allowed by a sign, that act or omission is instead not a violation.
 2. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to provide a defense to any violator with respect to any sign that does not conform to applicable law.
- C. **No Waiver.** Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to limit the right of the Commissioners to bring a civil action against any person to seek equitable relief or otherwise recover any damages sustained as a result of a violation of this ordinance.
- D. **Claims Barred.** Notwithstanding anything in this ordinance to the contrary, nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to: (i) create any new legal duty, right, benefit, or guarantee, whether substantive or procedural, enforceable against the County; nor, (ii) waive or diminish any existing right, protection, immunity, defense, or limitation on liability that may apply to the County, the Commissioners, the Department, the Committee, or any of their officials, employees, agents, or representatives under any applicable law.
- E. **Limitation of Liability.** Neither the construction or maintenance of any highway nor the posting of any sign shall in no way operate to guarantee the safety of any person.

SECTION V – SPEED LIMITS

- A. **Recommendation.** The Committee shall ensure that an investigation of all highways is made for a determination as to their respective minimum and maximum speed limits and shall recommend a change to the applicable speed limits as appropriate.

- B. Prior Ordinances. The chart in Subsection A of Schedule A displays the maximum speed limit designated for each highway area listed. Speed limits indicated under that subsection apply in both directions except where the context clearly indicates otherwise.
- C. Pre-1951 Law. The chart in Subsection C of Schedule A indicates various intersections where speed limit signs are to be located.
 - 1. A speed limit zone exists immediately beyond the sign with the maximum speed limit corresponding to the number displayed on the front of the sign.
 - 2. The speed limit zones set by this subsection apply until the end of the highway, the next speed limit zone listed in Schedule A for the same highway, or the jurisdictional limits of this ordinance.
 - 3. If a speed limit zone established by this subsection should conflict with a speed limit zone established by Subsection A, the speed limit zone established by Subsection A shall control.
- D. Work Zones. Notwithstanding anything in the schedules to the contrary, the default maximum speed limit within any temporary work zone shall be limited to twenty-five (25) miles per hour, or ten miles less than the currently posted speed limit, whichever is lower. The Committee shall recommend a change to any work zone speed limit as appropriate.
- E. Continuance. The speed limits indicated in the schedules are not intended to be considered, and shall not be construed as, new regulation but rather the continuation of valid laws adopted under previous ordinances that created the speed limits.
- F. Preemption. The speed limits indicated in Schedule A shall control over the default speed limits, as otherwise set forth under applicable law.
- G. Signage. The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that signs indicating the respective maximum speed limit for a highway zone are posted along the affected part of the highway.
- H. Interpretation. All speed limits in this ordinance are indicated in miles per hour.

SECTION VI – WEIGHT LIMITS

- A. Standard. The maximum GVW for each bridge shall be the maximum load that the bridge can sustain without endangering the safety of persons or property, including the bridge.
- B. Bridge Inventory. The maximum GVW for each bridge shall be as stated in the Bridge Inventory, which is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein, and a summary of which is provided in Schedule B.
- C. Updates. Whenever the Highway Engineer should update the Bridge Inventory, the Highway Engineer shall provide the Auditor with an updated copy thereof.
- D. Preemption. The maximum GVW for a bridge listed in the Bridge Inventory shall control over the default limits, as otherwise set forth under applicable law.
- E. Highways. The maximum GVW for any highway shall be in accordance with Schedule B.
- F. Signage. A sign indicating the maximum GVW for a bridge shall be posted such that it is generally legible from a distance of fifty (50) feet from its respective bridge. For each bridge that has been assigned a GVW in Schedule B, a sign shall be posted along the adjacent highway that indicates the respective maximum GVW allowed.

SECTION VII – STOP AND YIELD SIGNS

- A. Recommendation. The Committee shall ensure that an investigation of all highways is made for a determination as to which highways should be designated as through highways and shall recommend the posting of “Stop” and “Yield” signs as appropriate.

- B. Stop Schedule. The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that one or more “Stop” signs are posted along each approach of a highway listed in Schedule C at the corresponding intersections listed.
- C. Yield Schedule. The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that one or more “Stop” signs are posted along each approach of a highway listed in Schedule D at the corresponding intersections listed.

SECTION VIII – OTHER TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS

- A. No-Passing Zone Schedule. The Committee shall ensure that an investigation of all highways is made for a determination as to those areas that may be especially hazardous for the overtaking and passing of motor vehicles or for driving to the left of the highway. The areas indicated in Schedule E shall be designated as “No-Passing Zones.” The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that regulatory “Do Not Pass” signs are posted at the entrance to the corresponding areas.
- B. No-Turn Schedule. The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that signs that restrict the turning of vehicles are posted at the locations and with the restrictions indicated in Schedule F.
- C. No-Through-Way Schedule. The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that signs that restrict the travel of vehicles on a highway, or a portion thereof, are posted at the locations and with the restrictions indicated in Schedule G.
- D. Highway Worksites. The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that appropriate designation signs are posted at a reasonable distance before any worksite in the County where highway construction, reconstruction, or maintenance is actually occurring.

SECTION IX – PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to ensure that signs that restrict the parking of vehicles are posted at the locations and with the restrictions indicated in Schedule H.

SECTION X – NON-REGULATORY SIGNS

- A. Order. The Committee may direct that plaques for Commissioner-approved regulatory signs as well as all other non-regulatory warning signs, guide signs, and information signs (e.g., “Cross traffic does not stop” or “Curve” or “Hospital”) be posted to the extent that an appropriation has been made for any such sign.
- B. Recommendations. Whenever the Committee determines that a non-regulatory sign would be beneficial to public safety and order, but that a sufficient appropriation has not been made therefor, the Committee shall bring the matter to the Commissioners for a recommendation on a periodic basis.

SECTION XI – VIOLATIONS

No vehicle operator shall disobey or contravene this ordinance nor any notice, prohibition, or instruction on any sign that is posted pursuant to this ordinance.

SECTION XII – ENFORCEMENT

- A. Duty to Enforce. Each duly qualified law enforcement officer of the Sheriff’s Office is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to enforce any violation of a state law with respect to this ordinance or a County traffic or parking restriction sign.
- B. Compliance. The Highway Supervisor shall ensure that all signs and other traffic control devices that are posted pursuant to this ordinance conform to applicable law.
- C. Citations. Any law enforcement officer who has reasonable suspicion that a violation of any state law has occurred that relates to a sign posted pursuant to this ordinance may issue a citation in accordance with IC 34-28-5 for later prosecution according to applicable law; provided, however, that the officer may instead elect to issue a verbal or written warning for a minor violation.

- D. Reports. The County Clerk of Courts shall certify convictions for violations of any state law that relates to a sign posted pursuant to this ordinance to the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles in the manner provided by statute.
- E. Fines for Violations of State Law That Constitute an Infraction.
1. The County Courts may determine, by order, and in accordance with IC 34-28-5, a schedule of fines and costs for traffic violations that constitute an infraction.
 2. Any person who admits to or does not contest a traffic violation that constitutes a state law infraction may pay the published fine and costs to the County Clerk of Courts, according to the schedule described in this section.
 3. Except as otherwise provided by the Commissioners, the fines and costs that are collected for violations of this ordinance or of a state law that relates to a sign posted pursuant to this ordinance shall be accounted for by the County Clerk of Courts, remitted to the Auditor, and deposited into the General Fund.

SECTION XIII – REPEAL OF PRIOR LAW

- A. Repeal. Ordinance 2020-12-07-A, which was adopted on December 7, 2020, is hereby repealed in its entirety. All other provisions of County codes, ordinances, and resolutions previously adopted are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent with or in conflict with this ordinance but only to that extent.
- B. Continuance.
1. Ordinance 2020-12-07-A shall be deemed to be substantially restated by this ordinance except to the extent it clearly conflicts with this ordinance. To the extent that the provisions contained in this ordinance substantially restate the provisions of a prior ordinance or resolution, the provisions shall not be deemed a new enactment of the original provisions, but rather shall be deemed to be the continuation of the original provisions.
 2. The express or implied repeal or amendment by this ordinance of any other ordinance or part thereof does not affect any rights or liabilities accrued, penalties incurred, authorizations granted, or proceedings begun prior to the effective date of this ordinance. Those rights, liabilities, authorizations, and proceedings are continued, and penalties shall be imposed and enforced under the repealed or amended ordinance as if this ordinance had not been adopted.
 3. All rules and regulations adopted under any continued version of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect except as specifically provided otherwise.
- C. Revival Prohibited. The express or implied repeal or amendment by this ordinance of any other ordinance or resolution or part thereof shall not be construed to revive any former ordinance, resolution, section, clause, or provision.
- D. Specific Repeals. The following have been specifically repealed from Ordinance 2020-12-07. The full extent of the repeals may not be exhaustively listed here.
1. Speed Limits.

HIGHWAY	LOCATION	SPEED LIMIT	HISTORY
CR 050 E	from CR 550 S to CR 125 E	30	1962
CR 200 S	from CR 050 W (Hawpatch Rd.) to CR 250 W	55	1992-07-7.1
CR 350 N	from CR 850 W to CR 900 W	35	1996-03-18-B
CR 375 N	from CR 900 W to CR 1000 W	35	1996-03-18-B

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CR 900 W	within 200 feet either way from the school	20	1989-06-06
CR 900 W	from CR 350 N to CR 375 N	35	1996-03-18-B
CR 900 W	from SR 120 to Michigan	50	2011-10-03-C
CR 1150 E	from 0.75 miles south of US 20 to CR 300 S	50	1987-07-20

2. Stop Signs.

HIGHWAY	INTERSECTION	HISTORY
CR 010 N	CR 00 EW	2020-11-16
CR 100 E	CR 400 N	2020-11-16 (duplicate)
CR 190 W	CR 600 N	2020-11-16 (duplicate)
CR 200 N	CR 150 E	2020-11-16
CR 235 E	CR 400 N	1993-09-21; 2020-11-16
CR 245 E	CR 400 N	2020-11-16
CR 250 W	CR 300 S	2020-11-16
CR 250 W	CR 300 S	2020-11-16 (duplicate)
CR 300 S	CR 250 S / 200 E	2020-11-16
CR 375 N	CR 1000 W	2020-11-16 (duplicate)
CR 405 N	CR 435 E	2020-11-16
CR 450 S	CR 450 S / 050 E	2020-11-16
CR 600 N	CR 210 W	2020-11-16
CR 700 N	CR 450 W	2020-11-16 (duplicate)
CR 750 N	CR 500 S	2020-11-16
CR 750 N	CR 750 N	2020-11-16
CR 900 W	CR 900 W	2020-11-16
CR 900 W	CR 900 W	2020-11-16 (duplicate)
CR 950 W	CR 600 N	2020-11-16
CR 1175 E	CR 435 S	2026-01-05
CR 1200 E	CR 400 S	2020-11-16
First St.	South St.	1991-10-22; 2020-11-16

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Union St.	South St.	2020-11-16
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3. Yield Signs.

HIGHWAY	INTERSECTION	HISTORY
CR 925 E	US 20	2020-11-16

4. Curve Signs. All prior curve sign provisions are repealed as being non-regulatory.

5. Sign Removal. The Highway Supervisor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to remove any regulatory sign posted for any provision repealed in this section.

SECTION XIV – MISCELLANEOUS

A. References.

1. Except where a specific version or edition is given, reference to another section of this ordinance or to another law, document, fund, department, board, program, public servant, or public office, shall extend and apply to the same, as may be subsequently amended, revised, recodified, renamed, reappointed, or renumbered from time to time.
2. Reference in this ordinance to a law, document, fund, department, board, program, public servant, or public office, either generally or by title, without reference to another jurisdiction, shall be construed as though it were preceded or followed, as appropriate, by the words “(of) LaGrange County (Indiana).”
3. Should a provision of this ordinance require an act to be done which, by law, an agent or deputy may do instead of the principal, the requirement is satisfied by the performance of the act by an authorized agent or deputy.

- B. Schedules. All schedules appended hereto are hereby incorporated by reference into this ordinance as if fully set forth herein.
- C. Incorporated Materials. Two (2) copies of all materials incorporated by reference in this ordinance shall be on file in the Office of the County Auditor for public inspection.
- D. 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.
- E. 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.
- F. Promulgation. The Auditor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to take all action necessary or proper to authenticate, record, publish, promulgate, and/or otherwise make this ordinance effective.
- G. Codification. To the extent a substantive change in meaning does not result, the codifier of ordinances may omit the Name, Recitals, Repeals, Miscellaneous, and Adoption sections of this ordinance, as well as the Traffic Schedules, from the official code; may renumber, reorder, or reorganize any section of this ordinance; and may alter references to and within this ordinance as appropriate.
- H. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and promulgation to the extent required by law.

Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to waive the requirement for second reading. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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NUISANCE HEARING – 604 WILLIAMS STREET, HOWE, INDIANA

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, explained that nuisance hearing was scheduled today at 8:30 a.m. for Amy Singleton, 604 Williams Street, Howe, Indiana. The property owner has a family health issue and is unable to attend today. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to have the hearing on February 2, 2026 and to sign the order outside of a public meeting. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2026 COMMISSIONER ASSIGNMENTS

Mr. Terry Martin presented the following Commissioner assignments for 2026:

<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
Redevelopment Commission	Mr. Peter Cook
St. Joseph River Basin Commission	Mr. Peter Cook
Wood Land Lakes	Mr. Martin Franke
Edit Committee	Mr. Kevin Myers
Region 3-A	Mr. Kevin Myers
NEI Investment Board	Mr. Kevin Myers
Major Moves Committee	Mr. Kevin Myers
Economic Development Corporation	Mrs. Robbie Miller
Health Board	Mr. Peter Cook
Human Resource Committee	Mr. Kevin Myers
Insurance - Liability	Mr. Kevin Myers
Insurance - Health	Mr. Kevin Myers
Lambright Farm	Mr. Terry Martin
LaGrange County Community Foundation - Investment	Mr. Kevin Myers
Public Defender Board	Mr. Jim Carr
Mayors' / Commissioners' Caucus	Mr. Kevin Myers
Judicial Committee	Mr. Peter Cook
Personnel Handbook Committee	Mr. Kevin Myers

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

EDEN TOWNSHIP ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENT

There is a vacancy on the Eden Township Advisory Board due to the resignation of Kenneth Christner. Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to appoint Craig Mast to the Eden Township Advisory Board. Mr. Peter Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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SOIL AND WATER DISTRICT – REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

Mr. Martin Franke, Soil and Water District Manager, requested permission to apply for a Lake and River Enhancement grant through the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. The grant is in the amount of \$35,000 to be used for clearing the Pigeon River of log jams to enhance drainage and access. The grant would require a match of \$8,750, and the District could provide \$4,375 for the match. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the applying for the grant and giving \$4,375 towards the match. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY – EMERGENCY RADIO SERVICE AGREEMENT

Mr. Aaron Fugate, Highway Supervisor, presented a maintenance agreement from Emergency Radio Service, for maintaining the radios at the highway department. The amount of the agreement is \$10,680. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the agreement. 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.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the memorandum for the December 23, 2025 staff meeting, and the December 10, 2025 Executive Session. Mr. Peter Cook 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 7.45 miles including segments of County Road 200 North, County Road 250 West, and County Road 075 North:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
API Constructions Corp.	LaOtto, Indiana	\$2,007,839.00
Books Construction Co. Inc.	Fort Wayne, Indiana	2,058,183.00
E & B Paving, Inc.	Fort Wayne, Indiana	2,049,949.75
Niblock Excavating, Inc.	Bristol, Indiana	2,072,520.40
Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.	South Bend, Indiana	1,997,271.70

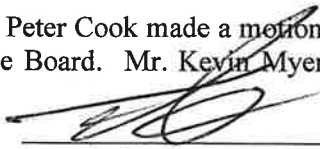
Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to take the bids under advisement and award the bids on January 20, 2026. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

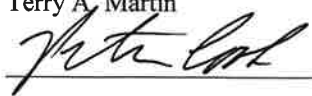
PARK – REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

Mrs. Mary Franke, Park Director, was present and requested permission to apply for two grants. One grant is from the LaGrange County Community Foundation in the amount of \$2,000 and the other is from the LaGrange County Convention and Visitor's Bureau in the amount of \$2,500. Both grants are to help cover the costs of Maple Syrup Days. Mr. Peter Cook made a motion to approve the applying for the grants. Mr. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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.

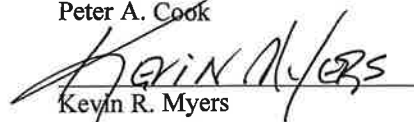

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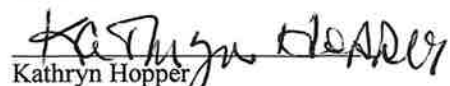
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Peter A. Cook


Kevin R. Myers

ATTEST:


Kathryn Hopper
LaGrange County Auditor

