

FEBRUARY 9, 2026

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, February 9, 2026, at their meeting room, County Office Building, 114 W. Michigan Street, LaGrange, Indiana 46761, at 8:30 a.m., with the following present: Council Members, Jeffrey A. Campos, Karen S. Eagleson, Harold D. Gingerich, Ryan J. Riegsecker, Michael G. Strawser, and James R. Young; and LaGrange County Auditor, Kathryn Hopper. Mr. Jeffrey L. Brill was absent. President, Mr. Jim Young brought the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

SHERIFF COMMISSARY PURCHASE APPROVAL

LaGrange County Sheriff, Tracey Harker, requested purchase approval to replace intercoms. Mr. Jeff Campos made a motion to approve the purchase for replacement intercoms and pay for it from the jail commissary account. Mr. Harold Gingerich seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LaGrange County Sheriff, Tracey Harker, requested purchase approval to purchase new dryers for the jail. Mr. Jeff Campos made a motion to approve the purchase for new dryers and pay for it from the jail commissary account. Mrs. Karen Eagleson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LAGRANGE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – ANNUAL REPORT

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, presented the 2025 Annual Report of the LaGrange County Economic Development Commission. Mr. Ryan Riegsecker made a motion to approve the annual report. Mr. Mike Strawser seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ENCUMBRANCES

Mrs. Kathryn Hopper, County Auditor, presented the fund encumbrances, carrying funds from 2025 into 2026. Mr. Mike Strawser made a motion to approve. Mr. Ryan Riegsecker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS

Mr. Jim Young read the following Resolution to Transfer Funds:

	<u>DECREASE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
<u>1168 HEALTH MAINTENANCE FUND</u>		
1168-30156-0000 Wetland Testing	1,500.00	
1168-40004-0000 Equipment		1,500.00
 <u>1219 PARKS</u>		
1219-10605-0000 Event Planner/Nature Interpreter	57,237.00	
1219-10610-0000 Event Planner		57,237.00

Mrs. Karen Eagleson made a motion to approve the Resolution to Transfer Funds. Mr. Harold Gingerich seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL CLAIMS

Mr. Jeff Campos presented the legal claims in the amount of \$25,786.25 for December 2025 from Beers Mallers. Mr. Jeff Campos made a motion to approve. Mr. Harold Gingerich seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Mr. Mike Strawser made a motion to approve the January 12, 2026 regular session minutes. Mr. Ryan Riegsecker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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Mr. Mike Strawser made a motion to approve the January 12, 2026 joint executive session memorandum. Mr. Ryan Riegsecker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

LaGrange County Building Commissioner, Jason Boggs, reported 2025 revenue from the Building Department's permits and fees.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SALARY ORDINANCE

The following Amendment to the Salary Ordinance were presented:

AMENDMENT TO THE SALARY ORDINANCE FOR 2026

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED THAT the following changes be made in the LaGrange County Salary Ordinance for the year 2026:

REQUESTED

1000-0006 SURVEYOR
1000.10223.00000-0006 Temporary Part Time

Up to \$25.00/ hour
Up to 70 hours/ year

Temporary Part Time to help train new employee
Effective: 02/09/2026

Mr. Ryan Riegsecker made a motion to approve the amendment. Mr. Mike Strawser seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Mr. Harold Gingerich made a motion to waive the requirement for second reading. Mr. Jeff Campos seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

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



Jeffrey L. Brill



Jeffrey A. Campos



Karen S. Eagleson

ABSENT


Harold D. Gingerich



Ryan J. Riegsecker



Michael G. Strawser



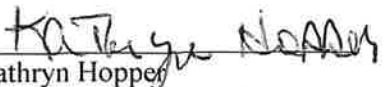
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James R. Young

ATTEST:


Kathryn Hoppe
LaGrange County Auditor