

**APRIL 16, 2018**

**REGULAR SESSION**

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, April 16, 2018, 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. Larry N. Miller, Mr. Terry A. Martin, and Mr. Dennis H. Kratz; and LaGrange County Auditor, Kay M. Myers. Mr. Larry Miller, President, called the meeting to order and led those present in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to adopt the proposed agenda with flexibility. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**TEEN COURT**

Ms. Joanne Gillespie, Director of LaGrange County Teen Court was present. She gave a review of the Teen Court Program.

**INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT – PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD**

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, presented an Independent Contractor Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Cassandra Zuver to provide services for the LaGrange County Public Defender Board. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the agreement subject to Mrs. Zuver's approval and to sign outside of a public meeting. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**JOINT EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to set a Joint Executive Session with the Commissioners and County Council for April 30, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss the initiation of litigation and records classified as confidential. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**CONFIDENTIALITY DISCLOSURE NOTICES**

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, reported that his office has the notice ready to send to the inadvertent disclosure notice to send to the 23 individuals affected. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to send the notices. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER - MICHAEL KINDER & SONS INC.**

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, presented the Progressive Design Build Agreement for the County Justice Center. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL ON AGING – TRANSPORTATION GRANT**

Mrs. Cheri Perkins, Council on Aging Executive Director, presented the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter voucher for the transportation grant. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the voucher. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**HIGHWAY – PURCHASE OF PAVER**

Mr. Randy Van Wagner, Highway Superintendent, explained that he would like to purchase a used paver for \$35,000 from Rudd Equipment. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**HIGHWAY – WOLHETER LICENSE FEE**

Mr. Randy Van Wagner, Highway Superintendent, would like the license fees from the John Wolheter agreement to go into the Motor Vehicle Highway fund to offset some of the ditch tax that is paid. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**PETITION TO VACATE PUBLIC WAY – VILLAGE OF MONGOOUONONG**

At 9:00 a.m. Mr. Larry Miller opened the public hearing of a public way within an unincorporated area in the plat of the Village of Mongooouonong. Mr. Christopher Walter representing Bellprop, LLC spoke regarding the vacation. Ms. Debra Hughes, Civil Engineer with Marbach, Brady & Weaver, Inc. presented information concerning the vacation. Ms. Kathey Eastwood, an adjoining property owner stated that she did not have any objection to the vacation. Mr. Miller closed the public hearing. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to table the vacation until May 7, 2018. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**ST. JOSEPH RIVER BASIN COMMISSION**

Mr. Matt Meersman, Director of the St. Joseph River Basin Commission, updated the Commissioners on legislation changes that affect the Commission.

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**SUBDIVISION PLATS**

The following subdivision plats were presented for approval:

**Radio Tower Acre**

There is one lot in this subdivision, in Milford Township, located 1,300' +/- east of State Road 3 on north side of County Road 275 South, LaGrange. Section 04, Township 36N, Range 11E. The owner is Kirk Perkins. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the plat. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Ervin & Naomi Raber Subdivision**

There is one lot in this subdivision, in VanBuren Township, located north of 7105 N 800 West, Shipshewana. Section 14, Township 38N, Range 8E. The owners are Ervin and Naomi Raber. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the plat. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**S & C Overholt Subdivision**

There is one lot in this subdivision, in Clearspring Township, located southwest of 6360 S 500 W, Topeka. Section 30, Township 36N, Range 9E. The owners are Stephen & Carolyn Overholt. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the plat. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**MARCH 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mrs. Kay Myers, County Auditor, presented the financial statement for the month ending March 31, 2018, in the amount of \$22,863,000.00 and investments of \$20,246,211.35. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the report. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS**

Mrs. Kay Myers, County Auditor, presented the Accounts Payable Vouchers. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the vouchers. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**MEMORANDUM**

Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the memorandum for the April 11, 2018 meeting. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the April 2, 2018 regular meeting minutes and the memorandum of the April 2, 2018 emergency executive session. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

LaGrange County Clerk of the Circuit Court – March 2018 report

LaGrange County Treasurer – March 2018 report

LaGrange County Board of Zoning Appeal, Notice of Public Hearing –Carmen Nash, April 17, 2018

Petition from property owners on County Road 700 West

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, Forest River Inc., Cherokee Division  
087-39356-00052

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, MSOP Minor Permit Revision,  
087-39723-00079

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Larry N. Miller

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Terry A. Martin

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Dennis H. Kratz

ATTEST:

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Kay M. Myers  
LaGrange County Auditor