

**JUNE 13, 2016**

**REGULAR SESSION**

The LaGrange County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, June 13, 2016 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, Charles F. Ashcraft, George Bachman, Peter Cook, Harold Gingerich, Steven E. McKowen, Michael G. Strawser and Benjamin Taylor and LaGrange County Auditor, Kay M. Myers.

**LEGAL CLAIMS**

Mr. George Bachman informed the Council the legal claims for Beers Mallers Backs and Salin for June are \$8,676.46 and for Burt Blee Dixon and Sutton \$72.00 for a total of \$8748.46. Mr. George Bachman made a motion to approve. Mr. Steve McKowen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**MINUTES**

Mr. George Bachman motioned to approve the May 9<sup>th</sup> 2016 regular session minutes. Mr. Steve McKowen seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS**

Mr. Peter Cook read the following resolution to transfer funds:

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the following increases and decreases be made in order to meet the expenses of the units of government for the year 2016.

	<u>DECREASE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
<b><u>COUNTY GENERAL - COMMISSIONERS</u></b>		
1000-030-03-3031 Official Bond	885.00	
1000-030-03-3130 Livestock Replacement	100.00	
1000-030-03-3034 Tax Assessments		985.00
<b><u>CAGIT COUNTY CERTIFIED SHARES</u></b>		
1110-000-03-3205 Public Defender - TBD	17,000.00	
1110-000-03-3203 Public Defender – Circuit, Bosworth		7,000.00
1110-000-03-3204 Public Defender – Circuit, Glick		5,000.00
1110-000-03-3212 Public Defender Expense – Circuit		5,000.00
<b><u>CUMULATIVE BRIDGE</u></b>		
1135-000-03-3103 Bridge Design	80,000.00	
1134-000-04-4021 General Bridge Maintenance	34,500.00	
1134-000-04-4047 Bridge #47		56,900.00
1134-000-04-4068 Bridge #68		57,600.00
<b><u>EXTRADITION</u></b>		
1155-000-03-3081 Seminars & Training	1,500.00	
1155-000-03-3012 Travel / Mileage		1,500.00
<b><u>PARK NON REVERTING OPERATING</u></b>		
1179-000-03-3084 Art Class Instruction	30.00	
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<b><u>PARKS AND RECREATION</u></b>		
1219-000-03-3014 Freight & Express	20.00	
1219-000-03-3012 Travel / Mileage		20.00
1219-000-02-2044 Interpretive Materials	200.00	
1219-000-02-2042 Paper Goods		200.00
<b><u>PLAT BOOK</u></b>		
1181-000-03-3081 Seminars & Training	490.91	
1181-000-02-2010 Office Supplies		490.91
<b><u>RIVERBOAT</u></b>		
1191-000-03-3020 Miscellaneous Disbursements	39,995.00	
1191-000-03-3034 County Offices Feasibility Study		15,000.00
1191-000-04-4027 Courthouse Security Cameras		24,995.00
<b><u>IMMUNIZATION DONATION</u></b>		
4105-000-02-2010 Immunization Supplies	1,000.00	
4105-000-03-3081 Seminars & Training		1,000.00

Mr. Steve McKowen motioned to approve the transfer of funds. Mr. Ben Taylor seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Mr. Peter Cook presented the following Ordinance of Additional Appropriations:

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WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget, now THEREFORE:

Sec 1: Be it ordained by the LaGrange County Council, LaGrange, Indiana, that for the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	REQUESTED	APPROVED
	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>MAJOR MOVES CONSTRUCTION</u>		
1172-000-03-3060 Landfill Trust	1,032,000.00	

**ORDINANCE OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

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	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>MISDEMEANANT</u>		
1175-000-04-4010 Equipment	4,500.00	4,500.00
<u>PARK NON REVERTING OPERATING</u>		
1179-000-04-4001 Duff Lake Land Acquisition	10,000.00	10,000.00
<u>RAINY DAY</u>		
1186-000-04-4001 Jail Roof	105,000.00	105,000.00
<u>LOIT SPECIAL DISTRIBUTION</u>		
1229 Highway Road Improvements	500,000.00	100,000.00
1229 Highway Equipment	500,000.00	200,000.00
<u>97.042 EMERGENCY MGMT PERFORMANCE GRANT</u>		
8200-000-04-4015 2015 EMPG Equipment	13,040.42	13,040.42
<u>JDAI COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS 16/17</u>		
9150 2016/2017 GRANT	82,000.00	82,000.00
<u>COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT</u>		
Probation Officer	61,500.00	61,500.00

Mr. Steve McKowen motioned to approve the additional appropriations – with a change to highway equipment to 200,000 and 0 for road improvements. There was discussion amongst the board members. Motion dies for lack of second. Mr. Harold Gingerich motioned to approve with highway road improvements to 100,000 and equipment to 200,000. Mr. Ben Taylor seconded the motion; motion carried. Mr. Steve McKowen voted against. Mr. Mike Strawser motioned to waive second reading. Mr. Ben Taylor seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**HIGHWAY ENGINEER**

Mr. Mike Strawser motioned to authorize Commissioners to higher a county engineer in 2016. Mr. Harold Gingerich seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**ADDITIONAL TAX - WHEEL TAX, SURTAX, LOIT**

County Attorney Kurt Bachman, Jeff Peters and Pam Coleman presented information on income tax options to the Council. Mr. Peters informed the board October 31 is the deadline for implementation for the money to be available in 2017. Ms. Coleman presented information for the 2015 surtax and wheel tax monies along with options for increasing the Surtax / wheel tax rates. There was much discussion. The Council request County Attorney Kurt Bachman & Mr. Peters’s office work toward a public hearing for a LOIT rate implementation at the August meeting.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Charles F. Ashcraft

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George Bachman

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Peter A. Cook

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Harold D. Gingerich

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Steven E. McKowen

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Michael G. Strawser

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Benjamin R. Taylor

ATTEST:

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Kay M. Myers  
LaGrange County Auditor