

APRIL 2, 2018

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, April 2, 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.

LICENSE AGREEMENT – JOHN L WOLHETER

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, presented a License Agreement between the Commissioner and John L. Wolheter. The agreement allows John L. Wolheter to conduct agricultural operations on land owned by the County. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the License Agreement. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PETITION TO VACATE – BELLPROP LLC

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, explained that April 16, 2018 there is a public hearing scheduled for a petition to vacate and he would like to communicate with the petitioner prior to the hearing to work on the details of the ordinance. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to authorize Mr. Bachman to work with the petitioner. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, explained that there is a need to have an emergency executive session today at 9:30 a.m. for the discussion of record classified as confidential. Mr. Dennis Kratz Terry Martin made a motion to hold the emergency executive session. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

FOCUS LAGRANGE – BLOCK PARTY

Mr. Gary Mast, Maintenance Director, was present and requested on behalf of Focus LaGrange, permission for them to hold a block party in August on the Courthouse lawn. It would be for 4 hours, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – 2017 ANNUAL OPERATIONAL REPORT

Ms. Sarah Farlow, County Engineer, presented the 2017 Annual Operational report for consideration and approval. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the report. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COUNTY JUSTICE BUILDING

Ms. Sarah Farlow, County Engineer, reported that MKS, the contractor for the County Justice Building, is scheduled to begin construction on the building on May 21, 2018, with an estimated completion date of February 28, 2018. Ms. Farlow explained that there may be some documents execution. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the signing of documents outside of a public meeting. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BRIDGE NO. 33 – CHANGE ORDER

Ms. Sarah Farlow, County Engineer, presented a change order for Bridge No. 33 from Northern Indiana Construction Company, Inc., resulting in a decrease of \$8,090.89. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the change order. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Mrs. Robbie Miller, Planning Administrator, presented an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, which received a negative recommendation from the LaGrange County Plan Commission. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to deny the amendment. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

FLOOD PLAIN REGULATIONS

Mrs. Robbie Miller, Planning Administrator, presented an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, which received a negative recommendation from the LaGrange County Plan Commission. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to deny the amendment. Mr. Terry Martin 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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Terry Martin reported on the Park Board meeting.

Mr. Dennis Kratz reported on the Council on Aging and the Stroh Community meeting.

Mr. Larry Miller reported on the Plan Commission meeting and the Association of Indiana Counties Northeast District meeting.

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MEMORANDUM

Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the memorandum for the March 28, 2018 meeting. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the March 19, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SHERIFF – CHILLER PURCHASE

Mr. Jeff Campos, County Sheriff, requested permission to work with the County Attorney, to prepare the necessary documents for the purchase of a new chiller. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to authorize the County Attorney to work with Mr. Campos. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter regarding buggy plate fees.

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Inspection Summary/Non-Compliance, Wetlands adjacent to Buck Creek

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Receipt of Air Permit, Clearspring Manufacturing LLC, 087-39723-00079

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, Rock Run Industries, LLC. 087-39468-00072

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, Lambright Woodworking, LLC. 087-39591-00020

ADJOURNMENT

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

Larry N. Miller

Terry A. Martin

Dennis H. Kratz

ATTEST:

Kay M. Myers
LaGrange County Auditor