

FEBRUARY 29, 2016

SPECIAL SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners and County Council met in Special Session on Monday, February 29, 2016 at their meeting room, County Office Building, 114 W. Michigan Street, LaGrange, Indiana 46761, at 8:30 a.m., with the following present: Commissioners Terry Martin, Larry Miller, Kevin Myers and Council Members, Charles F. Ashcraft, George Bachman, Peter Cook, Harold Gingerich, Steven E. McKowen, Michael G. Strawser, Benjamin Taylor and LaGrange County Auditor, Kay M. Myers. Mr. Larry Miller brought the meeting to order and lead the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Kevin Myers motioned to accept the agenda with flexibility. Mr. Steve McKowen seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

SOUTH MILFORD ROAD PROJECT

Commissioner Larry Miller informed the Boards the Commissioners have passed the project on with a positive recommendation. Mr. Steve McKowen stated the Major Moves Committee has received 3 applications: Howe Fire Department, Mongo Fire Department and the South Milford Road project. Mr. McKowen explained how the projects were graded. Mr. Thomas McJunkin and Mrs. Joyce McJunkin, 7590 S. SR 3, South Milford, spoke to the Boards regarding the impact this project and past projects have impacted their lives and home. Mr. Ryne Krock, LaGrange County Economic Development Corp spoke regarding the project. Mr. Harold Gingerich motioned to adopt the recommendation of the major moves committee regarding the Major moves money 400 k being used. Mr. Charles Ashcraft seconded the motion and upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

HOWE FIRE STATION

Mr. Larry Watson, Howe Fire Chief explained the Howe Fire Department does not have means to pay back any sort of loan due to the budget restrictions. There was much discussion between the board members. Mr. George Bachman motioned approve a grant for \$100,000.00 for equipment only. Mr. Mike Strawser seconded the motion and upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Terry Martin stated this committee is to be used to modify job descriptions. The Committee is made up of one commissioner, one council and HR supervisor. Terry Martin is the Commissioners, and George Bachman is the Council. Mr. Terry Martin motioned to appoint Kathy Hopper to the advisory committee. Mr. George Bachman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

The committee is made of Mr. Kevin Myers, Mr. George Bachman, Mr. Harold Gingerich and HR representative. This committee is to review and advice if changes are needed to handbook. Mr. George Bachman motioned to appoint Kathy Hopper to committee. Mr. Ben Taylor seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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. Kevin Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Larry Miller

Charles F. Ashcraft

Terry Martin

George Bachman

Larry Miller

Peter A. Cook

Harold D. Gingerich

ATTEST:

Steven E. McKowen

Kay M. Myers
LaGrange County Auditor

Michael G. Strawser

Benjamin R. Taylor