

LaGrange Township Regular Meeting  
September 16, 2024

Supervisor Wright called the meeting of the LaGrange Township Board to order at 7:00pm. The meeting was held at the Twp Hall. Pledge of allegiance was given in unison. Roll Call found Supervisor Rob Wright, Treasurer Naomi J. Criswell, Clerk Tasha E. McCoy, Trustee Paul File, and Trustee John Juroff present.

Public Comment opened at 7:00pm. The Finchums greeted the Board with questions about the zoning classification of their property. Public Comment closed at 7:10pm.

Supervisor Wright made a motion to approve previous meeting minutes of August 19, 2024, seconded by Trustee File, motion approved at 7:10pm.

Treasurer's Report was presented to the Board. Clerk McCoy made a motion to approve the Summer '24 Tax Settlement #1, and Summer '24 Tax Settlement #2, seconded by Supervisor Wright, motion carried at 7:11pm.

Communications were read by Supervisor Wright.

Trustee File made a motion to approve the Month Warrant Report totaling \$46,248.18, seconded by Trustee Juroff, motion carried at 7:12pm.

Fire Chief Locke was present. Ambulance Services in Cass County were discussed. Supervisor Wright made a motion to table the approval of Newberg Twp Ambulance Mutual Aid invoices to the October 2024 meeting, seconded by Treasurer Criswell, motion carried at 7:14pm. Trustee Juroff reported extensively to the Board on a recent Ambulance meeting (Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>).

Supervisor Wright read an email from Beth Pompey updating the Board on recent zoning inquiries.

Supervisor Wright read a letter of resignation from Zoning Solutions, LLC. Trustee File made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Zoning Solutions, seconded by Trustee Juroff, motion carried at 7:32pm.

Electrical/Mechanical/Plumbing/Building Reports were provided to the Board.

Treasurer Criswell notified the Board of the list of LaGrange Township residents with delinquent sewer charges from the Village of Cassopolis and the list of LaGrange Township residents with delinquent water charges from the City of Dowagiac. Treasurer Criswell made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wright, to approve for the Clerk to send a letter to the residents with delinquent sewer charges and/or delinquent water charges, noting an additional charge to be added to the delinquent sewer and/or delinquent water charges and assessed on the 2024 Winter Tax Roll if not paid by 5:00pm on Oct 18, 2024, motion carried at 7:34pm.

Clerk McCoy made a motion to approve 2024/2025 Budget Amendments LaGrange Township Emergency Services Fund for Ambulance expenses to \$248,000.00 from \$200,000.00 with ARPA Funds and the remaining ARPA Funds to go to the LaGrange Township Hall repair fund to \$13,385.67 from \$9,000.00, seconded by Supervisor Wright, by Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain at 7:35pm.

Trustee File made a motion to approve LaGrange Township Hall repair ceiling estimate, seconded by Treasurer Criswell, by Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain at 7:39pm.

With there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Supervisor Wright made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Treasurer Criswell motion carried, meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Tasha E. McCoy Tasha E. McCoy, LaGrange Twp. Clerk