LAGRANGE COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 21, 2025

The LaGrange County Regional Utility District Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on **Tuesday**, **October 21**, **2025**, at 3:00 PM, at 2575 N SR 9, LaGrange, IN 46761.

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: ROLL CALL

	Board Member Name	Appointed By	Term
Present	Kenneth Hunn, President	LaGrange County Commissioners	1/1/2025-12/31/2028
Present	Nicole Heffelfinger	LaGrange County Commissioners	1/1/2023-12/31/2026
Present	Kathy Miller, Secretary/Treasurer	LaGrange County Commissioners	1/1/2025-12/31/2028
Present	Michael Mohrman, Board Member	LaGrange County Commissioners	1/1/2023-12/31/2026
Present	David Gunter, Board Member	LaGrange County Commissioners	1/1/2025-12/31/2028

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

ABSENT Terry Martin, County Commissioner

DISTRICT STAFF: Adam Sams, General Manager

Jeanette Combs, District Administrator

ADVISORS: Andrew Boxberger, Carson LLP

Steve Henschen, Jones Petrie Rafinski

Kimberly Savick, Baker Tilly

The meeting was called to order by Ken Hunn at 3:00 P.M.

Roll Call was taken by Jeanette Combs.

Motion was made by David Gunter to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve the Regular Session Minutes for September 16, 2025. The motion was seconded by Nicole Heffelfinger. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented the September 2025 Fund report and Bank Reconciliations.

Motion was made by Nicole Heffelfinger to approve the September 2025 Fund Report and Bank Reconciliations. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Adam Sams presented the General Manger's report.

Motion was made by Michael Mohrman to approve the General Manager's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Nicole Heffelfinger. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented a Claims Docket to the Board for approval in the amount of \$839,378.85.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve the Claim Docket in the amount of \$839,378.85. Motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was open for public comments on non-public hearing issues and items not on the agenda. There were none.

Kimberly Savick presented rate analyses:

- Service Area A: After presentation of the analysis, Kimberly stated that there is no need for a rate increase at this time.
- Region D: After presentation of the analysis, with two options. Kimberly stated that it was determined that a rate increase is advised.
- Fawn River Crossing: After presentation of the analysis, Kimberly stated that is was determined that a rate increase is advised.

Andy Boxberger reviewed some proposed changes in the rate ordinances regarding schools and the fact that there is currently no minimum rate. Andy suggested that it be amended to reflect the rate be a minimum of one EDU and billed at the established rate above that. Andy discussed the definition of a full-time and part-time employee and suggested clarifying that in the rate ordinances. Andy also suggested that we add 1 EDU for a public park.

Motion was made by Michael Mohrman to introduce the following rates and changes in the Districts rate ordinances:

- Region D collection area \$96.55 for 1 EDU, a 15% increase
- Fawn River Crossing Water \$5.50 per 4,000 gallons, an 18% increase
- All services areas have a charge of a minimum of 1 EDU for schools (first 10 students), and 0.1 EDU for each student after that
- Daycares to have a minimum of 1 EDU (first 15 pupils), and .065 EDU for each pupil after that,
- All Regions have a definition of a full-time employee being someone working 30 hours per week, and each part time employee is half
- All Regions adding a public park is 1 EDU.

Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

A public hearing was discussed. Jeanette was instructed to publish the notice in the local newspaper as required, post the notice on the Districts website, and email a notice to customers who are enrolled in "ALERTS" on the Districts website.

Jeanette Combs presented the following agreements from Baker Tilly with Kimberly Savick still available to discuss any changes in the agreements:

- Master Services Agreement
- Region C Phase III Parity 2026 Agreement
- Region C Phase III Bond Issuance and Rate Analysis

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve all three of the Baker Tilly agreements presented. Motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Henschen gave a construction update on the Region C Phase II WW Project.

Adam Sams discussed the Region C Phase II \$70 inspection again. He reported that this is not an expense that SRF would accept as reimbursable to the District. Adam asked if the

board would consider removing the fee for this project.

Motion was made by Nicole Heffelinger to waive the \$70 inspection fee for customers included in the project during the initial connection. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Henschen gave an update on the Region C Phase III WW Project.

Motion was made by Nicole Heffelfinger to approve Jones Petrie Rafinski to Proceed with Bid Packages and Authorization to Advertise for Region C Phase III. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented the project claims as presented on the agenda.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve the submittal of the following project claims listed on the agenda for disbursement:

 Region C Treatment Area WW Project Phase II – SRF a. Niblock Pay Application #20 - \$5035

The motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented a request from Steven and Maryann Ceaglske to remove 11555 E 335 S from billing, account 2000080102. The structure is disconnected, inspected and is being removed. They have filed the proper acknowledgement.

Motion was made by Nicole Heffelfinger to approve the request to remove the account for Steven and Maryann Ceaglske from billing. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller Motion carried unanimously.

Adam Sams asked the board of trustees to approve a 5% wage pool increase for 2026 to be distributed by merit and cost of living.

A motion was made by Michael Mohrman to approve a 5% wage pool increase for 2026. Motion was seconded by Nicole Heffelfinger. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented the September 2025 Adjustments in the amount of \$100.40 and Other Charges of \$280.

Motion was made by David Gunter to approve the September 2025 Adjustments and Other Charges as presented. The motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Nicole Heffelfinger to adjourn the meeting at 4:26 pm. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette Combs Recording Secretary