

LAGRANGE COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
MINUTES FEBRUARY 18, 2025

The LaGrange County Regional Utility District Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, February 18, 2025**, at 3:00 PM, at 2575 N SR 9, LaGrange, IN 46761.

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

ROLL CALL

	Kenneth Hunn, President
	Kathy Miller, Secretary/Treasurer
	David Gunter, Board Member
	Michael Mohrman, Board Member
ABSENT	Nicole Heffelfinger, Vice President

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

ABSENT	Terry Martin, County Commissioner
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DISTRICT STAFF:	Adam Sams, General Manager
	Jeanette Combs, District Administrator

ADVISORS:	Andrew Boxberger, Carson LLP
	Steve Henschen, Jones Petrie Rafinski

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 Michael Mohrman to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve the Regular Session Minutes for January 21, 2025. The motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented the Fund Report for January 2025, the Bank Reconciliations for January 2025 were balanced and were presented to Kathy Miller, Cancelled / Uncleared Checks totaling \$150 and the 2024 appropriation report.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve the Financial Reports and the Cancelled / Uncleared Checks totaling \$150 as presented. The motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented two Claims Dockets to the Board for approval.

Docket 1 - \$16,783.36

Docket 2 - \$157,176.41

Motion was made by Michael Mohrman to approve both Claims Dockets.

Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Adam Sams presented the General Manager's report.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve the General Manager's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by David Gunter. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was open for public comments on non-public hearing issues and items not on the agenda.

Mr. Fry was in attendance representing the Stroh Church of Christ daycare facility, Agape Child Care. Mr. Fry explained to the Board of Trustees that the daycare had previously been paying a monthly sewer bill of \$88.45 per month and had recently received notice that the bill would increase to \$304.75. He asked if the Trustees would consider phasing the increase in over time. Adam Sams explained that Region B did not previously have a daycare rate in the ordinance, but Region A did. When rate ordinances were combined in 2020 the daycare rate applied to all of the Regions included in Service Area A.

After consideration and discussion, Motion was made by Michael Mohrman to deny the request of Mr. Fry to phase the rate over time. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Henschen gave an update on the Region A Pump Station Discharge Piping Replacement Project.

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

Steve Henschen presented Change Order #11 for the Region C Phase II WW Project in the amount of \$19,090.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to approve Change Order #11 for the Region C Phase II WW Project in the amount of \$19,090. Motion was seconded by Michael Mohrman. Motion carried unanimously.

Adam Sams gave the Trustees an update on a Hydraulic Analysis of the Fish Lake – Royer Lake (Region F) collection system that was completed.

Jeanette Combs presented project claims.

Motion was made by David Gunter to approve the submittal of the following project claims as listed on the agenda for disbursement:

1. Region C Treatment Area WW Project Phase II – SRF
 - a. Niblock Pay Application #13 - \$207,041
 - b. Jones Petrie Rafinski - \$37,420.00

The motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented a request from Karen Ehresman to waive a late fee.

Motion was made by Kathy Miller to deny Karen Ehresman's request. Motion was seconded by David Gunter. Motion carried unanimously.

General Legal Services Agreement for Carson LLP. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller.

Motion carried unanimously.

Jeanette Combs presented the January 2025 Adjustments in the amount of -\$17.70 and Other Charges of \$160.

Motion was made by Michael Mohrman to approve the January 2025 Adjustments and Other Charges as presented. The motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was opened for Board Member comments.

David Gunter asked for an update on the Region C Phase III Funding. Adams Sams gave a brief update.

Kenneth Hunn asked about the Shipshewana rate increase. Andy Boxberger updated the Trustees that the District is waiting for a reply for a request that was sent for additional information.

Motion was made by Michael Mohrman to adjourn the meeting at 3:50pm. Motion was seconded by Kathy Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette Combs
Recording Secretary