

**MINUTES
LA GRANGE CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 6, 2023**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER Mayor Black calls meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT John Black, Mayor and Stephanie Cooper, City Clerk
Beach Craigmyle, City Attorney, was absent.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT Trey Kamer, Debbie Pollard, Laura Taylor, Elsie Carter, Bill Lammlein, Kevin Cronin, Joe Davenport and Andrea Essenpreis.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2023 AGENDA Mayor Black added KRS 61.810 (c) discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of public agency. Councilman Davenport made motion to approve February 2023 agenda, second by Councilwoman Essenpreis. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 3, 2023, CITY COUNCIL MEETING Councilwoman Pollard made motion to approve minutes from January 3, 2023, City Council meeting, second by Councilman Cronin. The motion in favor of passed unanimously, 8 to 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 30, 2023, SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING Councilman Davenport made motion to approve minutes from January 30, 2023, Special City Council meeting, second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion in favor of passed unanimously, 8 to 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT Lee Crawford discussed the Crawford’s Code Academy and Denise Watts-Wilson talked on the youth council.

CITY ADMINISTRATION

A. PAYABLES – Councilwoman Pollard made motion to approve, second by Councilman Cronin. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0.

B. FINANCIAL REPORT TRIAL BALANCES – Councilman Davenport made motion to approve, second by Councilwoman Essenpreis. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0.

C. BANK BALANCES AND INVESTMENT REPORT - Councilman Lammlein made motion to approve, second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0.

MAIN STREET DIRECTOR’S REPORT – TERESA BOLING

Discussion on past and future events

TOURISM COMMISSION REPORT

Donna Sabo discussed financials on Tourism and goals for the Tourism Commission

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS/REPORT

- A. SCOT TREECE – LA GRANGE UTILITIES
Scot Treece was absent, and Jonathan Bates discussed monthly report. Councilwoman Pollard made motion to approve, second by Councilman Cronin. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0.
- B. COREY RUSNAK – PUBLIC WORKS
Sidewalk replacement and drawings for Skate Park
- C. CHIEF GREG COLLETT – LA GRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT
Chief Collett was absent and Major Bruce Goodfleisch discussed monthly report.
- D. STEPHEN HALL – PARKS AND RECREATION
Discussed January 2023 events that happened in the Community Center
- E. STEPHANIE WENTHER – CODE ENFORCEMENT
Monthly report, in March business license will be mailed, April 22, 2023 is Junk Day

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT – Trey Kamer/committee recommended the following:
*309 West Main - \$10,000 to \$250,000
*Sound system for meetings up to \$5,000
Next meeting is Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Hunger Skate Park will be attending. Will have discussions on cameras in Spring Park, handicap accessible in front of City Hall, train museum, building dock at Wilborn Park, and extending fence line in Springs Park.
- B. BUDGET REPORT – Joe Davenport/discussion on Randy Davis, CPA, working 15 hours a month. Councilman Kamer made motion to spend up to \$5,000 for the technology improvements for meetings in the Community Center, second by Councilman Davenport. The motion in favor of passed, 7-yes to 1-no (*Carter*). Councilman Kamer made motion to spend \$250,000 for engineering, renovation, etc. for 309 West Main Street, second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion in favor of passed 7-yes to 1-no (*Cronin*). Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Black brought before City Council the Consumer Price Index and the 6.5% increase in salary for Mayor and City Council. Councilman Lammlein made motion for the 6.5% increase for the Mayor and City Council, second by Councilwoman Pollard. The motion passed 6-yes to 2-no (*Cronin & Taylor*).

C. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT – ANDREA ESSENPREIS – Councilwoman Essenpreis discussed the goals of the committee. Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at the Oldham County Chamber at 6:00 p.m.

D. STREETS & ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT – BILL LAMMLEIN – Discussed connectivity of Commerce Parkway, Jericho Road, Kentucky Avenue and Yager Avenue

PUBLIC COMMENT None

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS None

ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES

EXECUTIVE SESSION - KRS 61.810 (c) discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of public agency

Councilman Kamer made motion to go into executive session, second by Councilwoman Taylor. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0. Councilwoman Carter made motion to go out of executive session, second by Councilman Cronin. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0.

ADJOURN Councilwoman Pollard adjourned meeting at 9:37 p.m., second by Councilwoman Carter. The motion in favor of passed unanimously 8 to 0.

JOHN BLACK, MAYOR

ATTEST:

STEPHANIE COOPER, CITY CLERK