Mayor Strauss called the Council Meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. After the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken with Honer, Price, Gregory, Kincannon, Dill and Karpinski present.

**Motion by Kincannon, seconded by Gregory** to approve the minutes of June 22, 2017 regular Council meeting; 6 yeas; motion passed.

***Public Participation:***

Resident Shari Szczepanski reported that she is making progress with Windstream. and getting internet access for herself and her neighbors. Strauss stated he had spoken with Windstream and was told the system is being updated. Ms. Szczepanski questioned if a “do not enter” sign could be placed at Route 301 and U.S. Grant; she has had to back up a couple times for people entering into the exit when someone is waiting to exit. The Lorain County Engineer would be contacted to consult about proper signage.

As previous Mayor of the Grafton Village, Ms. Szczepanski offered information on the Village seceding from the Township. She stated the Grafton Village became a Township and an Ordinance was adopted that the government and everything associated with Grafton Village would stay with the Village. Clark questioned if the Township opposed. She stated no; the Township had been aware that it was in the works. She suggested Linda Bales, who works on special projects for the Village, be contacted for the Ordinance anything else needed. She stated that people in the Village need to be made aware of the situation instead of just hearing rumors. Kincannon mentioned that LaGrange Township received $60,000 a year from inside millage, but are not allowed to spend it in the Village. She stated that seceding was the best thing to do for Grafton Village. If the Village of LaGrange were to secede from the Township, property taxes would be reduced, the inside millage would reduce what the residents pay for services they do not receive from the Township, and the motor vehicle license would go to the Village and not the township.

***Mayors’ Report:***

1. Gross monthly receipts for Mayors Court June 2017: $1,362.00 with $738.00 to the Village and $624.00 to State of Ohio. Gross receipts for the year to date were $5,581.00 with $3,237.00 to the Village and $2,344.00 to the State of Ohio.
2. Strauss received a bid specification for the boiler system at the school, but it does not include an upgrade to electronic or pneumatic boiler controls. The cost to replace/repair current system would be around $88,000. The project will have to go to bid; Poggemeyer Design Group will be contacted to put together a bid package. Strauss would like the package to have a bid for boiler replacement without electronic control upgrade and an alternative bid for the electronic or pneumatic boiler control upgrade.
3. Strauss requested approval for Advanced Comfort to replace and repair the school heating and cooling system (non - boiler) at a cost of $44,100. **Kincannon motioned to approve, Karpinski seconded**; 6 yeas, motion passed.
4. Strauss requested approval for West Roofing to recoat and renew the areas over the administration, the MS gym and the rest of the roof; this would extend the warranty out for one year. **Dill motioned to approve, Karpinski seconded;** 6 yeas, motion passed.
5. Sukey and the Mayor met with the County to discuss the storm water retention pond for the school. The county is greatly interested in helping with the pond as it would help alleviate water flow that goes to the Kelner Ditch.
6. Strauss requested Clark go back to Mr. Zupan on Commerce Drive to see if he will give the Village a permanent easement to be able to continue to clean the ditch.

***Police Report:***

1. Chief Duensing gave the Police report for June 2017: Department handled 15 Criminal charges, 0 juvenile charge, 28 Traffic charges, 39 Traffic warnings, 0 Traffic accidents, 48 complaint calls, 2 domestic violence call, 3 thefts, and 1 breaking and entering. Full time officers worked 1,056 hours; part-time officers worked 54.50 hours and bike patrol 0 hours.

***Solicitor Jon Clark’s Report:***

1. Strauss directed Clark to find out the following:
   1. why is the deed to the Park 51% Village ownership and the Township 49%?
   2. How is it that LaGrange Township receives inside millage from the Village residents, but the Township cannot do anything for the Village residents with those funds?
   3. Will Village residents be affected by the $5.00 Motor Vehicle License Fee the Township is moving forward on that does not benefit the Village residents?
2. Clark stated he spoke with Jason Scott regarding what needed to be done for Greyhawk Subdivision. Doug Nusser from Poggemeyer Design Group will have to review and an Ordinance will have to be made. Mr. Scott is concerned with the timing it takes the County to approve subdivision plats, so he would like to request Council have a Special Meeting next week for the sole purpose of approving the subdivision plat. Council stated that there would be no special meeting; the issue can be heard at the next regular Council meeting. Clark stated that apparently, contracts are already being entered into.

***Village Administrator Walt Sukey’s Report:***

1. A copy of the overtime worked for 14 pay periods for 2017 was submitted to Council.

***Fiscal Officer Kimberly Fallon’s Report:***

1. **Dill motioned to approve the June financial statements, Karpinski seconded;** 6 yeas, motion passed.

***Old Business:***

1. **Kincannon motioned to adopt on emergency** Ordinance 2017-2339 An Ordinance Amending 929.02 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of LaGrange And Declaring An Emergency, **Gregory seconded**; 6 yeas, motion passed.
2. **Kincannon motioned to adopt on emergency** Ordinance 2017-2340 An Ordinance Amending Section 921.05(c) Of The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of LaGrange And Declaring An Emergency, **Price seconded**; 6 yeas, motion passed.

***New Business:***

1. **Kincannon motioned to suspend the rules** for Resolution 2017-887 A Resolution Adopting A Tax Budget For The Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2018 And Declaring An Emergency, **Dill seconded;** 6 yeas, motion passed**.**

**Kincannon motioned to adopt** Resolution 2017-887**, Honer seconded;** 6 yeas, motion passed**.**

1. **Kincannon motioned to suspend the rules** Resolution 2017-889 A Resolution Declaring The Official Intent And Reasonable Execution Of The Village Of LaGrange On Behalf Of The State Of Ohio (The Borrower) To Reimburse Its Street Fund For The Village Of LaGrange Center Street Widening And Reconstruction, Project CI20U/CI21U, With The Proceeds Of Tax Exempt Debt Of The State Of Ohio And To Direct And Authorize The Mayor And The Fiscal Officer Of The Village Of LaGrange To Execute A Promissory Note Payable To The Ohio Public Works Commission And Declaring An Emergency, **Dill seconded;** 6 yeas, motion passed**.**

**Kincannon motioned to adopt** Resolution 2017-887**, Gregory seconded;** 6 yeas, motion passed**.**

***Committee Reports*:**

1. Park Board – Strauss is contemplating a possible levy for the Community Park; he will contact the Trustees.
2. Planning Commission – None
3. LCIC – Josh Cantwell was in attendance at the July 12th LCIC meeting. It was agreed that there would be a $5,000 non-refundable option to purchase 6.88 acres on Opportunity Way across from Keystone Pointe, $50,000 an acre, with 60-90 days to finalize due diligence. It will bring 50-65 new employees to the Village.

***Presentation of Bills:***

1. The Fiscal Officer presented the following bills for payment as shown on the attached list for warrants 40250 through 40317 and Electronic Payments 448-2017 through 508-2017 for a total of $156,919.57. **Dill motioned to accept, Gregory seconded**; 6 yeas, motion passed.

There being no further business, **Karpinski motioned to adjourn, Kincannon seconded**; 6 yeas; motion passed. Adjourned at 8:29 P.M.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Attested by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Kim E. Strauss, Mayor Kimberly A. Fallon, Fiscal Officer

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_