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 February 27, 2020 Council Meeting; 6 yeas, motion passed.

***Public Participation:***

1. The LaGrange Community Park Board Chairman, Nick Fedor, was in attendance to give an overview of the 2019 budget and expectations for 2020. The budget was under for 2019 by $14,000. In 2019, the park partnered with Key Collaborative and was able to install bocca ball, a chipping green and two water fountains. PEP has awarded the park with $1,000 for an entrance to the play ground area. Hot stove donated a batting cage set that will be installed in the spring. The board reduced the fees to the athletic groups and has seen an increase in use. The Keystone Schools have been approached on lending financial support as their teams use the fields 1/3 of the time whether the grounds are playable or not. The groups use a drying compound on the grass, which ruins the ground. The Board will be meeting with Keystone to either pay up or build their own fields. For 2020, cement pads for under the bleaches is being proposed, along with a pad for the winter shed with a patio. Ball diamond sprinklers are being looked into as well to remove dust.

***Mayors’ Report:***

1. Gross monthly receipts for Mayors Court February 2020: $812.75.00 with $461.75 to the Village and $351.00 to State of Ohio. Gross receipts for the year to date were $2,805.75 with $1,475.75 to the Village and $1,330.00 to the State of Ohio.
2. Strauss said he has been speaking with other Villages and he would like to set a policy to not turn off the resident’s utilities during the COVID-19 layoffs. Clark stated he does not think an Ordinance is required, but he will look into it.

***Police Report:***

1. Ramsey gave the Police report for Feb 14 – Mar 12: Department handled 2 Traffic charges, 20 Traffic warnings, 1 juvenile charge, 2 thefts, 0 domestic violence calls, 0 breaking and entering, 2 Traffic accidents, 420 complaint calls, 0 drug offense, 0 drug overdoses, 0 assaults, and 0 death investigation
2. Panic buying has started, so additional patrols are on the streets during prime times and locations. There will be more overtime.
3. Ramsey questioned if the old cruiser can be put up for sale on govdeals.com. Clark will check to see if the Ordinance is up to date.

***Solicitor Jon Clark’s Report:***

1. Clark received a call from James Tipples attorney regarding the TIFF. Mr. Tipple would like the Village to waive all tap in fees and would like a 30-year abatement as opposed to 10 years. Council stated absolutely not; the tap in fees are to support the water system and cannot be waived and it shouldn’t be up to the Village to support Mr. Tipple’s project.

***Village Administrator Mary Kay Gates Report:***

1. A leak has been isolated on North Center Street, but has not been repaired yet.
2. The new Furnace & AC unit has been installed for the utility offices.
3. Strauss and Gates met with the Neighborhood Alliance and Jeff Armbruster from North Ridgeville regarding residents that will be affected when North Ridgeville stops delivering Meals on Wheels in the Village on April 30, 2020.
4. Gates met with Lorain County Public Health, Neighborhood Alliance and the Department of Aging to discuss what it would take to establish another office that would serve the Meals on Wheels in the area. A follow up meeting with the surrounding communities will be on March 25, 2020.
5. Hulec and Gates met with Kirk Bros., TH Martin and a representative from the SMA regarding the gas sensors that have never worked correctly in the raw room at the WWTP. The issue is hopefully resolved and the warranty period will begin on March 3, 2020.
6. Gates met with Cioffi and Poggemeyer Design Group to discuss and go over remaining items on the North Center Street punch list. The grease traps at several establishments on North Center Street will be inspected.
7. An application to host a Shred Day has been submitted for May 16, 2020 from 9am-Noon.
8. A copy of the five bids received for the Elevated Water Tank Project and submitted to Council. Poggemeyer will review the bids and make their recommendation at the March 28, 2020 Council meeting.

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

1. **Gregory motioned to approve the February 2020 Financial Statements, Honer seconded**; 5 yeas, motion passed.

***Old Business:*** None

***New Business:*** None

***Committee Reports*:**

1. Park Board – See audience participation.
2. Planning Commission – None
3. LCIC – None.

***Presentation of Bills:***

1. The Fiscal Officer presented the following bills for payment as shown on the attached list for warrants 42955 through 42997 and Electronic Payments 172-2020 through 214-2020 for a total of $102,157.16. **Price motioned to accept, Karpinski seconded**; 5 yeas, motion passed.

There being no further business, **Karpinski motioned to adjourn, Gregory seconded**; 5 yeas; motion passed. Adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

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

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

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