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 Flynn, Gregory, Kincannon, Dill, and Karpinski present.

**Motion by Dill, seconded by Flynn,** to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2022, Council meeting; 4 yeas; motion passed. Kincannon abstained because he was not present at that meeting.

***Audience Participation:***

N/A

***Mayor’s Report:***

There is enough money in the storm water fund to do phase 2 of the retention pond expansion this year. It would be possible to do phase 3 next year and to tie it into Parklane. Blakeslee found an easement on Parklane to send water to the retention pond. Mayor Strauss would like council to consider moving forward with this project. Administrator Gates can file for a grant for the retention pond work leaving enough money to do Kelner Ditch too.

***Old Business:***

Ordinance 2022-2471 --- AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 1343 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE AND ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY --- This was the third and final reading. Kincannon motioned to adopt, which was seconded by Dill; 5 yeas; motion passed. The contract still needs to be completed.

***New Business:***

Resolution 2022-974 --- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PETITION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE LORAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE KELNER DITCH PURSUANT TO SECTION 6131.04 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Kincannon motioned to suspend the rules, which was seconded by Flynn; 5 yeas; motion passed. Kincannon motioned to adopt and declare an emergency, which was seconded by Dill; 5 yeas; motion passed. Clark added that the county may file the petitions instead of the village.

***Village Administrator’s Report:***

Village Administrator Gates reported on the following:

1. Rural Lorain County Water Authority will not be raising water rates this year.
2. Our part-time employee, Erick Draine, recently graduated, and we still have a vacant part-time position. Gates would like council to approve transitioning Erick Draine to full-time status – combining the 2 part-time positions into a full-time position. There was no objection.
3. Council was given a copy of the bids for Parklane. D. L. Smith Concrete LLC had the low bid for asphalt overlay - $394,520.35. Denes Concrete Inc. had the low bid for concrete road and curbs - $508,185. Denes included an option for new drive approaches - $584,650. Council opted for the Denes bid that included new drive approaches. Our 2020 OPWC includes a $125,000 grant and a $125,000 loan. $51,000 will need to come out of the street fund. Gates will provide the bid to Clark so that he can prepare the ordinance.
4. We applied for ARPA money from the county to do another phase of our retention pond. The commissioners have not stated when they will be awarding the grants. Therefore, Gates asked council to approve spending up to $50,000 of storm water funds to do phase 2 of our retention plan, and we can use any money received from the county for phase 3. Currently, we retain about 375,000 gallons of storm water. By adding phase 2, we will be able to retain an additional 600,000 gallons. Kincannon made a motion to move forward with phase 2 of the retention plan, seconded by Gregory; 4 yeas; motion passed.
5. We will open Loperwood tomorrow. The project incurred $3,185.00 in additional costs due to unforeseen items.

***Police Chief’s Report:***

Chief Laubenthal reported on the following:

1. A stop sign is needed at the north intersection of Buckingham Drive. There have been some road rage issues due to folks not yielding. There was no objection by the mayor and council.
2. Solicitor Clark provided the City of Elyria’s noise ordinance. Chief Laubenthal will continue working with Clark on a noise ordinance for our village.

Flynn asked about a weapons arrest and the rollerblade crook. The weapons arrest has to be adjudicated. The rollerblade crook has stopped. It was her first offense. The property has been returned to the owners. This will go to juvenile court.

Kincannon reported that the community band asked about the national night out, which will be on August 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station. The police department will work on this after safety town wraps up.

***Solicitor’s Report:***

Solicitor Clark reported on the following:

1. The ditch petition is in progress.
2. Clark spoke with Doug Nusser about the retention pond. Clark will work with Gates on this.
3. Although Brody O’Boyle was not in attendance, Clark suggested that we respectfully decline his offer to paint fire hydrants since others already are doing it for free. If he would like to do it as a community service project, we would be happy to provide the supplies.
4. Clark will work with Laubenthal on the noise ordinance.

***Fiscal Officer’s Report:***

Fiscal Officer Homer-Miller reported on the following:

1. The Administrator, Fiscal Officer, and Utility Clerk attended the Office of Budget & Management's (OBM) Regional Roundtable on June 1st in Cuyahoga Falls. Presentations were made by OBM, ODOT, EPA, and the Department of Public Safety. A copy of the Power Point will be provided to whomever is interested.
2. Homer-Miller will attend RITA's Regional Council of Governments annual virtual meeting on June 16th.
3. An audit of 2021 by the Bureau of Workers’ Compensation is scheduled for June 22nd.
4. The Bureau of Workers’ Compensation collected $3,059.15 of a 2020 workers' comp claim costs concerning a former employee.
5. Virtual public records training will be held on June 23rd. Elected officials need to attend once per term.
6. The Department of Jobs and Family Services (Unemployment) waived 2 penalties following Homer-Miller’s email request.
7. Lorain-Medina Rural Electric has 2 candidates running for district 9 of their board of trustees. Council asked Homer-Miller to vote on behalf of the village.

***Committee Reports*:**

1. Park Board – The county engineer looked at the park drive. We are waiting to hear back from them.
2. Planning Commission – N/A
3. LCIC – N/A

***Presentation of Bills:***

The Fiscal Officer presented the list of warrants and electronic payments issued between May 27, 2022, and June 9, 2022, totaling $117,448.14 per the payment listing provided. **Dill motioned to accept the bills as presented, which was seconded by Flynn**; 4 yeas; motion passed.

There being no further business, **Dill motioned to adjourn, which was seconded by Gregory**; 4 yeas; motion passed. Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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

Kim E. Strauss, Mayor Christie Homer-Miller, Fiscal Officer

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