Mayor Kincannon 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, Price, Gregory, Karpinski, Dill, and Honer present.

**Motion by Dill, which was seconded by Karpinski,** to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting as written; 6 yeas; motion passed.

**Motion by Gregory, which was seconded by Price,** to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2023, Council meeting as written; 6 yeas; motion passed.

***Public Participation:***

N/A

***Mayor’s Report:***

Mayor Kincannon thanked everyone for their well wishes following his triple bypass surgery 2 weeks ago. He also thanked Karpinski for filling in for him.

Before Police Chief Laubenthal gave his report, he introduced Myra Bowyer. Mayor Kincannon then swore in Myra Bowyer as a new full-time police officer.

***Police Chief’s Report:***

Chief Laubenthal reported on the following that occurred between May 25th and June 21st:

1. There were 69 non-criminal requests for assistance.
2. There were 19 criminal complaints / investigations - 0 felonies; 1 misdemeanor; 0 juvenile charges. They included 4 alarms, 1 child endangering, 1 debris in the roadway, 1 littering, 1 burglary, 2 noise, 3 animal, 1 drug, 1 assault, and 2 disturbances (with 1 assault arrest).
3. There were 88 traffic-related incidents including 18 operating and equipment charges and 64 warnings (mainly related to stops on the square). No parking violations were issued, but there were 2 warnings. Having more officers on duty has led to more traffic stops.

Honer asked about safety town; Chief Laubenthal responded that there were 45 participants.

***Solicitor’s Report:***

Solicitor Clark reported on the following:

1. Keystone’s attorney finally responded. He had been in trial. He wants to schedule a meeting. Clark will get some date options to share with Flynn, Karpinski, and Kincannon who will participate on behalf of the village.
2. Clark needs a copy of the park bylaws to address the park board compensation. Mayor Kincannon had not received them.
3. Clark was contacted by the attorney of the wetlands company. They worked out an easement with Rural Lorain County Water Authority. Regardless of the easement, we would like to close on the property as soon as possible.

Flynn asked about the performance guarantee for the apartment complex. Jason Scott has not presented a bond yet. The surety bond requirement is not a voting matter for council; it is an administrative matter. They need to be substantially complete by August 2023.

***Village Administrator’s Report:***

Village Administrator Gates reported on the following:

1. We were awarded a $55,000 grant for pumps at the WWTP that was part of 2021 HB 168.
2. Cross Roads Asphalt Recycling was awarded the bid to repave the park drive with the low bid of $87,913. They are hoping to start the project within a couple of weeks.
3. Gates and Councilman Flynn attended the drone viewing of Kelner Ditch.
4. Neighborhood Alliance received a grant to expand their Mobile Senior Services to every Wednesday in our Senior Center.

***Fiscal Officer’s Report:***

Fiscal Officer Homer-Miller reported on the following:

1. March close is in progress.
2. The preliminary budget for 2024 will be started soon. It is due on July 20th.

***Old Business:***

Ordinance 2023-2501 --- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-2389 ADOPTING A CREDIT CARD USE POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE --- This was the third reading. **Motion by Karpinski to adopt, which was seconded by Price;** 6 yeas; motion passed.

Resolution 2023-993 --- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE RENEWAL OF A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE, OHIO, AND THE KEYSTONE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION --- This was the second reading.

Resolution 2023-994 --- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE TO OFFER A ROTH 457(b) OPTION TO ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE AND TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENTS AND DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF SAID OPTION --- This was the second reading.

Resolution 2023-995 --- A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT TO SELL PERSONAL PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES BY INTERNET AUCTION --- This was the second reading.

***New Business:***

Ordinance 2023-2502 --- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO AN EASEMENT GRANTED TO THE RURAL LORAIN COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY --- **Motion by Karpinski to suspend the rules, which was seconded by Price;** 6 yeas; motion passed. **Motion by Karpinski to adopt and declare an emergency, which was seconded by Flynn;** 6 yeas; motion passed.

Ordinance 2023-2503 --- AN ORDINANCE TO RESCIND CHAPTER 705 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE, OHIO, AND ADOPT A NEW CHAPTER 705 PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS --- This was the first reading.

Resolution 2023-996 --- A RESOLUTION ADOPTING RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETINGS --- This was the first reading. Questions were posed to Clark with the main topic concerning abstentions.

***Miscellaneous Business:***

N/A

***Committee Reports*:**

1. Park Board – N/A

Gates will attend the next meeting.

1. Planning Commission – No meeting; no report.
2. LCIC – No meeting; no report.

***Presentation of Bills:***

The Fiscal Officer presented the list of warrants and electronic payments issued between June 9 and 22, 2023, totaling $119,295.72 per the payment listing provided. **Dill motioned to accept, which was seconded by Price**; 6 yeas; motion passed.

There being no further business, **Honer motioned to adjourn, which was seconded by Gregory**; 6 yeas; motion passed. Adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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

Gary Kincannon, Mayor Christie Homer-Miller, Fiscal Officer