**Village of LaGrange Committee of the Whole Minutes**

**Record of Proceedings**

**November 21, 2024, 6:45 p.m.**

The Committee of the Whole meeting started at 6:30 p.m. The following council members were present: Flynn, Price, Gregory, Karpinski, Honer, and Smith.

Bill Ward and Don Piazza from the Auditor of State’s Office provided an update on the 2022 / 2023 audit, which should be finalized soon.

Mayor Kincannon talked about the proposed employee rate increases. Corresponding Ordinance 2024-2558 will be presented at this evening’s council meeting. The performance evaluation forms used by the Village Administrator and Police Chief were shared with council.

Kincannon recapped Thursday morning’s call with Todd Brandenburg and Sandy of the Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP). Todd and Sandy knew how low our water rates were. Our median household income is high compared to other communities. Those 2 factors negatively impact our ability to qualify for grants. GLCAP plans to do a water analysis after our rate increase goes in. Karpinski has been reviewing water rate data and talked through his findings.

The Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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 Curt Karpinski, Christie Homer-Miller, Fiscal Officer

 Council President Pro Tempore