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

**Record of Proceedings**

**April 10, 2025, 6:45 p.m.**

The Committee of the Whole meeting started at 6:45 p.m. The following council members were present: Flynn, Price, Gregory, Karpinski, Honer, and Smith. Water meters were the only topic of conversation.

It will be mid-May before we find out if we can get the Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) loan. 80% of our meters are over 20 years old. Some meters were installed years ago by the street department, not the sewer department. It is possible that some of the older meters calculate usage based on cubic feet instead of gallons; that would impact billable dollars.

Establishing an administrative fee based on water meter size was discussed to cover the cost of replacing meters. Higher administrative fees should be considered for properties with larger meter sizes (e.g., commercial properties).

Karpinski asked Village personnel to provide parameters that should be included in the bid. Administrator Gates needs direction from council on whether they want the focus to be on low-flow water meters or something else. Gates then will work with the engineer on the bid specifications. Compiling a bid specification costs money. Therefore, knowing what council wants is important to building the bid specification. Additionally, Kleinfelder’s grant writer recently accepted a position with another company; so, we will have a new person with whom to work.

The Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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Curt Karpinski, Christie Homer-Miller, Fiscal Officer

Council President Pro Tempore