LAGRANGE COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES NOVEMBER 14, 2022

The LaGrange County Regional Utility District Board of Trustees met in a Public Hearing on **Monday November 14, 2022,** at 10:00 A.M., at 116 E Wayne Street, LaGrange, IN 46761.

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

ROLL CALL Kenneth Hunn, Vice President

Kathy Miller, Secretary/Treasurer

ABSENT Gerry Turner, President

David Gunter, Board Member

Nicole Heffelfinger, Board Member

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Terry Martin, County Commissioner

DISTRICT STAFF: Adam Sams, General Manager

ABSENT Jeanette Combs, District Administrator

ADVISORS: Andrew Boxberger, Carson LLP

Jeff Rowe, Baker Tilly

The hearing was called to order by Ken Hunn at 10:00 A.M.

Ken Hunn explained the purpose of the hearing is to receive comments about the district adopting a rate ordinance increasing rate to Region C customers and establishes rates for Region C Phase II customers.

Jeff Rowe of Baker Tilly gave a presentation of the proposed rates.

The hearing was opened to the public for comments and questions.

Question – When will the rates go out of effect?

Jeff Rowe – Rates will always be in effect. It is a 35-year loan; however, the district will reevaluate the rates every year due to inflation and other factors that may cause a need for a rate change. The current proposed rate is expected to be in effect for 2-3 years.

Question – How long will construction take.

Adam Sams – It is a 900-day contract. The contractor does not see construction starting until 2024. Andy Boxberger stated it was unique because the contract time was extended in hopes of attracting more bidders.

Question – Is the 2.5-year contract just for phase II?

Adam Sams – Yes.

Question – Does it cost more if you have more than one tie in.

Andy Boxberger – Yes it can. For example, if you have a quest house. It depends on each situation and exactly what you to connect.

The gentlemen wanted to discuss his property on Messick Lake. Adam Sams stated he would speak to him after the hearing.

Question – Does the rates presented effect Camp Lutherwald.

Adam Sams – No, not currently. That will be included in Phase III.

Kenneth Hunn asked if there were any more questions. There were none.

Ken Hunn closed the public hearing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette Combs Recording Secretary