

MINUTES FOR THE  
CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
August 8, 2017

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on August 8, 2017 at the hour of 9:00 a.m. for a meeting, pursuant in accordance with law and publication as evidence by proof of the minutes of the last meeting, and any other business that may come before it. Council President Alan Dunn called the meeting to order. On call to order the following members were shown to be present or absent.

**PRESENT**

Alan Dunn  
Clark Beard  
Jeff Chynoweth  
Ron Gascho  
Mike Hensley  
Mark Mitchell

**ABSENT**

Jake Myers

Cheryl Martin, Clinton County Deputy Auditor, was present to record the proceedings of the Council.

Others present were Auditor Cathy Hamilton, Sheriff Jeff Ward, Wanda Mitchell, Kevin Myers, Greg Miller, Commissioner Steve Woods, County Attorney Tom Little, Rodney Wann, Carol Bartley, Ken Hartman, Sharon Bardonner, and others as mentioned in the minutes.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2017 Council meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

Director Brett Barton stated there were 76 total clients on electronic monitoring in July 2017 with 2 on CTP Program. He reported they have been going through files from last 12 years looking to see what is owed to Community Corrections. It is in excess of \$300,000.00. Mr. Barton was looking for guidance from the Council as to how to start collecting some of these fees. He will check with judges, Department of Corrections or using a collection agency. Currently their collection rate is at 88%. The juvenile collection rate is much lower than adult.

**PROBATION**

Chief Probation Officer Nancy Ward was present and reported juvenile detention costs for the month of July 2017 in the amount of \$1,125.00. She reported they must keep clients in probation program even if they are behind in fees. This is in State statute. Writs are issued for uncollected fees.

**SOIL & WATER 2018 BUDGET REVIEW**

Leah Harden and Dustin Johnson from Clinton County Soil & Water Conservation District were present to discuss their 2018 budget requests with the Council. Mrs. Harden will not be available to attend next week's scheduled budget hearing. The budget request has in it the recommended salaries and overtime that was discussed last year with the Council. This is the same as the 2017 request. No overtime has been issued so far this year up to July 1st. More may be used the rest of this year due to an employee on maternity leave and Mrs. Harden needing to use her accrued vacation time. They have been recently informed they have been awarded an EPA three year grant that will cover 40% of salaries. She is not sure at this time when the three year term will start. Board members and the support specialist position are fully reimbursed currently.

**NHK**

Mr. Moore presented to the Council for their approval Resolution No. 2017-09 Resolution of the Clinton County Council Approving Statements of Benefits and Confirming Designation of Economic Revitalization Area. The equipment was removed from this resolution, which was tabled in July, and new Statements of Benefits were presented for signature. Mr. Moore discussed the tax collection benefits for the County. He is requesting an approval of ten year abatement for NHK.

Council member Gascho moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to remove Resolution No. 2017-09 from the table. Motion carried 6-0

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve Resolution No. 2017-09 Resolution of Clinton County Council Approving Statements of Benefits and Confirming Designation of Economic Revitalization Area as resubmitted. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Moore stated NHK wishes to withdraw the request for abatement on personal property.

## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Director Rodney Wann discussed changes in the Health Department fee schedule for genealogy fees. He would like to reduce this fee from \$10.00 to \$2.00. All other former fees as established in 2016 shall remain the same. The Commissioner's were presented with Ordinance No. 2017-05 at their August 7, 2017 and they did approve this ordinance. A resolution could be presented to the Council with this ordinance attached for their signature at the next meeting. County Attorney Tom Little stated that a motion on record is appropriate as well.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve the reduction of the Genealogy fee from \$10.00 to \$2.00 as approved by the Commissioners in Ordinance No. 2017-05. Motion carried 6-0.

## **SHERIFF**

Sheriff Jeff Ward was present to discuss with the Council the use of Misdemeanant funds to equip two new Sheriff transport vehicles. He presented estimates for \$2,281.05 for each vehicle for a total of \$4,562.10 from Move Over Outfitters.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to allow the Clinton County Sheriff's Office to use Misdemeanant funds in the amount of \$4,562.10 to equip two new Sheriff Transport vehicles. Motion carried 6-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Additional Appropriations Ordinance CO-2017-10**

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Beard to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Commissioners in the amount of \$15,000.00 in the County General Fund 1000-068-03-0035 Insurance Deductible. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Surveyor's Office the amount of \$5,113.50 in the Surveyor Corner Perpetuation Fund 1202-000-03-0001 Professional Services. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Chynoweth moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Health Department in the amount of \$3,100.00 in the Health Fund 1159-000-02-0032 Equipment Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Health Department in the amount of \$11,900.00 in the Local Health Maintenance Grant Fund 1168-000-03-0001 Software Upgrade. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Chynoweth moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Health Department in the amount of \$1,000.00 in the Medicaid Immunization Fund 4909-000-03-0001 Service Contracts. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Health Department in the amount of \$14,653.00 in the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant Fund 8103-000-01-0002 Preparedness Coordinator Salary. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Health Department in the amount of \$2,500.00 in the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant Fund 8103-000-04-0001 Equipment. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Highway Department in the amount of

\$100,000.00 in the Local Road & Street Fund 1169-000-02-0023 Stone-Oil-Bituminous. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Hensley moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Highway Department in the amount of \$100,000.00 in the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund 1176-531-02-0023 Bituminous. Motion carried 6-0.

\*Highway Superintendent Kevin Myers stated he included in the 2018 budget a request for a new loader in the amount of \$300,000.00. He would like to lease a loader starting this year and this would free up some funds in the budget next year. This would be a 5-6 year lease with the option to purchase and would be a similar lease as the grader. The lease payment would be approximately \$30,000.00 with a buyout of \$90,000.00 at the end of the lease. He could find this amount in the 2017 budget for a first payment due. There was no objection from the Council for Mr. Myers to move ahead with a lease option.

Council member Gascho moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to approve Highway Superintendent to move ahead with a new loader lease this year. Motion carried 6-0

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Highway Department in the amount of \$5,000.00 in the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund 1176-533-03-0003 Professional Engineering. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Auditor in the amount of \$45,080.58 in the Rainy Day Fund 1186-000-03-0008 Ledger Correction. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Chynoweth moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Surveyor's Office in the amount of \$340.30 in the Electronic Map General Fund 2503-000-03-0001 Misc. Disbursement. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$5,822.72 in the County General Fund 1000-005-03-0059 Vehicle Repairs from an insurance reimbursement. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$6,840.38 in the County General Fund 1000-005-03-0059 Vehicle Repairs from an insurance reimbursement. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to approve an additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$8,503.33 in the County General Fund 1000-005-03-0059 Vehicle Repairs from an insurance reimbursement. Motion carried 6-0.

\*Council member Mitchell asked Commissioner Woods if the Reserve Sheriff deputies had insurance coverage as was discussed in last month's meeting. Commissioner Woods stated the Reserve deputies are covered. The insurance company is in need of a complete list of the deputies.

### **Transfers**

Council member Chynoweth moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to approve a transfer request from the Clinton County Circuit Court in the amount of \$13,119.57 in the County General Fund from 1000-232-03-0001 Wrap Around to 1000-232-01-0025 CASA Part time employee. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Hensley moved seconded by Council member Mitchell to approve a transfer request from the Clinton County Community Corrections in the amount of \$536.25 in the Project Income Fund from 4910-000-01-0031 Social Security to 4910-000-01-0017 Field Officer. This is for FY 16/17 and will be backdated to 6/30/2017. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Chynoweth moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve a transfer request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$4,800.00 in the Jail

Treatment Services Grant from 9116-000-03-0001 Intakes to 9116-000-03-0002 Mental Health. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Gascho to approve a transfer request from the Clinton County Recorder's Office in the amount of \$101.71 in the County General Fund 1000-004-03-0012 Postage to 1000-004-02-0001 Office Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a transfer request from Clinton County Central Dispatch in the amount of \$3852.78 in the 911 Fund from 1222-000-03-008 Geetingsville to 1222-000-01-0030 Overtime, \$300.00 from 1222-000-03-0005 Mulberry to 1222-000-01-0030 Overtime and \$2,708.30 from 1222-000-010-0003 Part time to 1222-000-01-0030 Overtime for a total amount of \$6,871.08. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Hensley moved seconded by Council member Beard to approve a transfer request from Clinton County Central Dispatch in the amount of \$13,073.64 in the Central Dispatch Fund from 4958-000-01-0001 Dispatcher to 4958-000-01-0004 Overtime. Motion carried 6-0.

### **Transfers-No Approval Required**

\$500.00 from 1000-079-03-0085 Reimburse towns to 1000-079-03-0022 Pub of Legal ads  
 \$350.00 from 1000-079-03-0013 Plan mileage to 1000-079-03-0004 Contract Services  
 \$1,000.00 from 1000-005-02-0012 Tires & tubes to 1000-005-02-0013 Garage supplies  
 \$125.00 from 1000-201-03-0042 Petit jurors to 1000-201-03-0021 Printed forms  
 \$2,500.00 from 1222-000-03-0008 Geetingsville to 1222-000-03-0002 Training  
 \$200.00 from 1000-005-04-0035 Radio equipment to 1000-005-04-0040 ERT equipment  
 \$650.00 from 1176-533-03-0001 Snow removal to 1176-533-03-0033 Weeds & brush  
 \$11,222.00 from 1138-005-04-0010 Automobiles to 1138-005-04-0016 Auto equip

### **Council Reports**

None

### **Commissioner Reports**

Commissioner Woods discussed the funds required for destruction of buildings in the County. The Colfax Mason elevator will be costly. There was a hearing for an OCRA grant for Forest Fire station. The Commissioners will still be requesting monies in the amount of \$100,000.00 in 2018 budget to be sure all the properties are covered.

### **Department Head Reports**

#### **Treasurer**

Treasurer Carol Bartley reported on the purchase of laptop and currency discriminator for her office. She has already transferred money and purchased the laptop. Mrs. Bartley will be requesting another transfer for the currency discriminator next month. This unit could be used by other departments such as the Sheriff. There is a \$467 annual maintenance fee but payment will not start until 2019.

#### **EMS**

EMS Director Greg Miller requested that the Transfer system EMT's be full time instead of part time. Two of these EMT's have benefits elsewhere. There is money in the budget currently that can fund this change for the remainder of the year. Due to the amount of overtime paid out to a part time employee, a full time employee will cost the County less. He should have transfer revenue estimates for the Council by the September meeting.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve Transfer EMT's changing from part time to full time. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Miller also requested moving Transfer budget monies for supplies from County General to Hospital Contractual Transfer budget. President Dunn would like to discuss this with Mr. Miller and the Auditor's office as it is between two different funds. There was also discussion about creating an entire new fund for the transfer budget.

Mr. Miller stated EMS has been receiving checks for Medicaid reimbursement from Malcon and he would like to use these as a contingency fund.

### **Fair Board**

Skip Davis from the Clinton County Fair Board discussed this year's County fair with the Council. There was good feedback from it. Would like to have street barricades made for the

fair instead of borrowing them from the City. These could be built by him and supplies donated by local businesses. Also discussed were available funds for lighting in the 4-H building and drain issues that were discovered with this year's heavy rains. Mr. Davis stated they do have someone else in mind to replace the chairman and would like to have more members on the board as seven is just not enough.

### **Sheriff**

Sheriff Jeff Ward reported the Jail roof bid was awarded to A & S Roofing at \$181,650.00, plus insulation board if needed, and will be done late November.

*Council meeting recessed at 10:16 a.m.*

*Council President Dunn called Local Income Tax Public Safety hearing to order at 10:30 a.m.*

Present and signed in are: Ken Hartman of Kaspar Media, Commissioner Steve Woods, Chief Probation Officer, Nancy Ward, Sharon Bardonner of The Times, County Attorney Tom Little, Commissioner Scott Shoemaker, Mayor Chris McBarnes, Police Chief Troy Bacon, Fire Chief John Kirby, Sgt. Dan Roudebush, EMS Director Greg Miller and others as mentioned in the minutes.

President Dunn asked that any comments be limited to five minutes. He stated the Local Income Tax was created in 2009 and at that time tax caps were enacted. For 2017 over three million in taxes have not been collected due to tax caps. This rate would collect approximately \$125 per every \$50,000 of gross income. There is currently an Interlocal agree in effect where one half of the public safety tax collected goes to Central Dispatch.

Commissioner Woods stated the number one priority for the Commissioners is for a new EMS Facility as well as increased wages for Sheriff department and equipment for Central Dispatch.

EMS Director Greg Miller discussed the plans for a new EMS facility and the services that EMS provides to the County. The current building was meant to be a temporary fix and has now been housing employees 24 hours a day seven days a week for six years. He also discussed the need to increase wages for paramedics to help reduce the retention rate for EMS employees. He presented a copy of the plans from American structure point for the new facility. This would be located at the north end of the fairgrounds.

Sheriff Jeff Ward stated his needs are in the Jail, Law enforcement and Courthouse Security. He would like to see increased pay for his employees. He would like to also use the funds to have a full time civil process officer.

Mayor Chris McBarnes spoke and stated he and the City Council are in support of this rate increase. Mayor McBarnes read a letter of support signed by himself and City Council. This included the uses they would like to see such as updates to the Police department and Fire department buildings and increased wages. The Mayor stated the taxpayers should expect and receive a return on their investment from these entities.

Frankfort Police Chief Troy Bacon presented a powerpoint presentation and spoke to the Council about building renovations, roof leaks, boiler functions, IT needs, and interior changes to the building as well as a rendering of the update to the outside of the building. Chief Bacon also presented stats on major crimes in the city showing crime rates going down and more criminals going to jail. Competitive salaries must be established as well with the use of these funds. He is in full support of this LIT increase.

Frankfort Fire Chief John Kirby stated there are 36 men on the Frankfort Fire department that cover over 19,000 citizens. 50% of the calls for the fire department go to assisting EMS. The LIT rate increase would be used to increase man power, raise wages, and new equipment.

Commissioner Woods spoke up on behalf of the small towns. They are in need of equipment and salary increases as well.

Council President Dunn asked for public comment. There was none. President Dunn read a portion of a letter received from Council member Myers who could not be present today supporting the LIT increase.

*President Dunn closed the public hearing at 11:12 a.m. and reconvened the Regular Council meeting.*

Discussion followed among the Council showing their support for the increase in the LIT Public Safety rate.

Council member Mitchell moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve Ordinance No. 2017-CO-11 an Ordinance of the Clinton County Council Increasing the Public Safety Local Income Tax Rate from .25% to .50%. Motion carried 6-0.

County Attorney Tom Little stated this rate will go into effect October 1, 2017 and funds will be available January 1, 2018.

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

**Clinton County Council**

  
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Alan Dunn, President

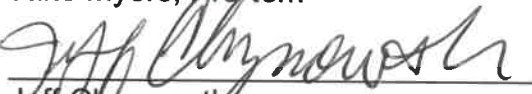
  
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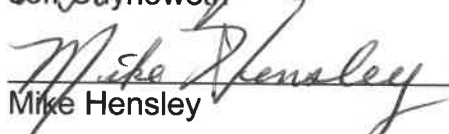
  
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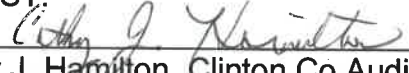
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Jake Myers, Pro tem

  
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Jeff Chynoweth

  
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Mike Hensley

**ATTEST:**

  
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Cathy J. Hamilton, Clinton Co Auditor

MINUTES FOR THE  
CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING  
AUGUST 15, 2017

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on August 15, 2017 at the hour of 8:00 a.m. for a budget meeting, pursuant in accordance with law and publication as evidence by proof of the minutes of the last meeting, and any other business that may come before it. Council President Alan Dunn called the meeting to order. On call to order the following members were shown to be present or absent.

**PRESENT**

Alan Dunn  
Clark Beard  
Jeff Chynoweth  
Ron Gascho  
Mike Hensley  
Mark Mitchell  
Jake Myers

**ABSENT**

Cheryl Martin, Clinton County Deputy Auditor, was present to record the proceedings of the Council.

Others present were, Auditor Cathy Hamilton, Dennis Dunlap, Sheriff Jeff Ward, Wanda Mitchell, Commissioner Steve Woods, Carol Bartley, Dan Sheets, Greg Miller, Rodney Wann, and others as mentioned in the minutes.

\*All requests include a 4% salary increase as instructed by the Council unless otherwise noted.

Human Resource Dennis Dunlap went over the salary survey he had prepared again. It has been updated since a new 2017 salary ordinance was approved earlier this year. His survey data was collected from similar counties salary ordinances not the AIC survey and is based on 32 hour work week.

PROSECUTOR/CHILD SUPP/INFRACTION/VIC ADV - Prosecutor Tony Sommers was present. PROSECUTOR - no significant changes. Law books reduced due to cutting out print subscription. 4-D - no changes. VICTIM ADVOCATE - salaries are grant funded but the County does have a salary match. INFRACTION DEFERRAL - budgeted actual dollar amount in the fund. Removed contract counsel amount.

SUPERIOR COURT - Judge Justin Hunter stated there is an increase in the pauper attorney line 201-03-0047. He does not have firm data to present to the Council at this time as to why pauper fees are so high but did discuss this with the Council. He stated he will be asking for an additional appropriation later this year for pauper defense fees. Also Judge Hunter stated the JTS program fee, which is a case management system, is high at approximately \$68,000 compared to using Odyssey which incurs no fees for the County. He and Judge Mohler would both like to use this program. It will not be available until late 2018 or early 2019. This expense is in the Clerk's budget. The Clerk however is not in favor of switching. Judge Hunter suggests the Council ask the Clerk why she is not in favor of switching to a no fee system. Judge Mohler stated they are going to be changing to an electronic filing system and it requires being on Odyssey. Also, they may not need computer & peripherals 201-04-0044 if switching to Odyssey because the state will allow a grant for hardware.

CIRCUIT COURT/CASA GRANT - Judge Brad Mohler discussed pauper fees. They are \$75 per hour currently and have been for at least 10 years. The Statewide going rate is \$90 per hour. Both Judge Mohler and Judge Hunter believe it needs to be raised. Criminal rule 26 changes how bonds are set for criminal defendants. The general sense of this rule is to get away from cash bonds. There is approximately \$25,000-\$30,000 for pauper fees currently paid out of bonds and that is a portion of why the budget needs increased. President Dunn would like to have more information before the September budget hearing meeting. He also asked if there are any strings attached to using the State case management system. Judge Hunter did not believe so. Training and data conversion are at no cost to the County but is fully provided by the State. The Courts and Clerk are the only two departments that have use of this system. The Judges described the process for switching to Odyssey. The contract with current vendor would need to be cancelled by October 1st and this would not happen this year so this would not affect the budget until 2019. CIRCUIT - Judge Mohler stated computer equipment has been added in for electronic filing but may not be needed. 232-03-0047 pauper attorney fees

increased. His pauper fees differ from Superior as it includes juvenile as well as criminal. Part time court reporter 232-01-0012 increasing from 20 to 22 hours per week. CASA GRANT - uses volunteers helping with juvenile cases. This takes some of the pressure off of pauper fees. Half of the part time director's salary comes from grant funds and the other half from the Wrap Around budget in the County General fund. Judge Mohler is looking into fees for courthouse security to help offset this cost.

**TREASURER** - Treasurer Carol Bartley stated the only change she requested is in seminars as the Treasurers Association has raised fees. President Dunn inquired about electronic tax bills. Mrs. Bartley stated she is looking into that and will have more information later this year to present to the Council.

**RECORDER/PERPETUATION** - Recorder Beth Keeney stated she has reduced postage due to switching to electronic filing. She has added to supplies and seminars as she would like to take her first deputy to seminars. **PERPETUATION** - No significant changes. President Dunn stated Mrs. Keeney needs to prepare an affidavit for Council to sign in regards to her perpetuation fund. She stated her office has received the new copier she purchased with perpetuation funds and is checking into digitizing microfilm. President Dunn stated she maybe talk to Community Corrections Director Brett Barton about piggy backing on his contract as this may be cheaper.

**SHERIFF/JAIL/LOIT** - Sheriff Jeff Ward and Jail Matron Wanda Mitchell were present. **SHERIFF** - Two new merit deputies are requested due to call increases. A civil processing deputy is being requested as well. Sheriff Ward stated there have been approximately 2,100+ papers served this year to date and there is legislation being heard that will no longer allow screen door service. A civil process server could also be used for courthouse security. The two K-9 officers must be compensated for care of the dog so this line has been increased. Hours worked over 171 were discussed. Also discussed was paying a stipend for K-9 instead of raising salary. Dennis Dunlap stated this must be included in salary not a stipend. Currently these officers are getting an hour paid time off. It has become an issue to give this hour off due to staff shortage. President Dunn and Council member Chynoweth attended a meeting of Sheriff Merit Board. It was suggested keeping payment for Sheriff Pension 005-03-0034 up to have a savings in the long run. Increased overtime 005-01-0019. Salaries raised by approximately 14%. Service agreement 005-03-0053 increased for a new purchase of NIBRS system for uniform crime reporting. That cost would be split with city. If adding a civil process deputy is approved there would be no need for a second courthouse security officer. Autos 005-04-0010 can be dropped to \$79,000 for the lease payment. This line is also possibly in Cum Court House. Uniforms 005-02-0033 at \$23,000 would include all extra requested officers if approved. **JAIL** - increase in overtime 380-01-0020. Five additional corrections officers are being requested. Sheriff Ward stated he tried to get two officers approved through a Department of Corrections grant but was turned down because DOC does not provide funding for Jail staff. Medical 380-03-0006 increased. It was suggested to look for an alternative source for medical services. Council member Mitchell stated this is good idea budget wise but it would be an issue for the Sheriff's Department to keep changing medical services. The current service includes the jail nurse and mental health support. **LOIT** - 11 deputies at \$50,000 each. Currently there are 8 deputies paid out of LOIT. Vehicles could be moved here possibly as well due to the public safety rate increase that was just approved. President Dunn suggested the EMS committee become the Public Safety committee and include Sheriff Ward to prioritize the spending of the Public Safety monies. He believes this needs to be discussed before the next budget hearing in September.

**SURVEYOR/DRAIN BOARD/PLAT BOOK** - Surveyor Dan Sheets presented the explanations for his requests. He had emailed this information to the Council prior to today's meeting. **SURVEYOR** - raises requested at 5% but would accept 4%. Would like to pay his office assistant an extra \$1,000 but out of plat book maintenance fund. Dues 006-03-0081 increased because rates increased. Additional \$1,000 in seminars but President Dunn stated he does not see this reflected in budget book. Mr. Sheets stated \$1,600 is a good figure as he is realizing he is taking some out of user fee fund. **PLAT BOOK** - \$1,000 raise in office assistant salary **DRAINAGE BOARD** - no changes.

**CORONER** - Coroner Amanda Abbott was present. She stated she has asked for an increase in clothing allowance 007-01-0018. All employees need new clothing items there are a total of four employees. Autopsies 007-03-0044 left the same but there will be a request for an additional appropriation at next month's meeting. Transfers 007-03-0041 increased by \$200. Photo & Blueprint 007-03-0023 increased as well. Case numbers keep increasing every year. Dues 007-03-0081 increased by \$200 because Coroner Association dues are going up. Could save \$350 per case in autopsy line if IU hospital would allow use of surgery room and morgue.



ASSESSOR/REAPPRAISAL - Assessor Dana Myers stated she has asked for one additional deputy. If that employee is not approved extra help has been increased to cover the expense. She has requested a new copier and new desks as well in office equipment. Commissioner Woods stated all furniture would be included in courthouse renovation. Savings in longevity deputy salary could pay for a copier this year possibly. Commissioner Woods stated there is one available at Area Plan for use that has been offered if she would need a copier to get by. REASSESSMENT - Group Insurance 1188- 000-01-0033 was raised due some current circumstances but could be cut. Contracts will go out to bid in 2018. XSoft not included in request for 2018. President Dunn stated this line could possibly be lowered and do an additional appropriation request next year with a new contract approval if needed.

CLERK/VOTER/ELECTION/PERPETUATION - Clerk Sherri Crews was present. CLERK - 6 deputies on 95% survey list. Ms. Crews stated there is approximately \$3,000 left in this year's budget for a copier. 001-04-0007 Office equipment request at \$15,000. Again, some of the office equipment could be rolled into courthouse renovation and this line could be reduced. She believes that is a mistake and should be \$1,500. Reduce to \$1,500 per President Dunn. VOTER - increase in stipend. ELECTION - President Dunn questioned why there is no reflected savings due to the use of Vote centers. Several lines are requested at more than last year and 2018 is a non-presidential election year. Ms.Crews stated these could be cut and she will discuss this with the election board members before the next budget hearing in September. PERPETUATION - Extra labor is all that is in this budget.

Meeting recessed at 10:09 a.m.  
Meeting resumed at 10:27 a.m.

EXTENSION - Caren Crum and Nancy Elsea were present. Mrs. Crum provided a list of the services that the Extension Office provides to the County. President Dunn would like to see a comparison of county funds vs. Purdue and grant funds presented at the next budget hearing in September. No changes in budget requests.

VETERAN - Veterans Officer Joe Root presented his budget with no changes requested. Mr. Root discussed his accreditations with the Council. National accreditation requires attending a national conference and he would possibly be going in 2019.

WEIGHTS & MEASURES - Robert Marcum discussed his budget and there are no changes requested. Next year all equipment will need to be tested by State. There is one piece of equipment that could possibly not pass the inspection and need to be replaced at the approximate cost of \$1,000.

PROBATION/PUF/JUV ADMIN/GRANT - Chief Probation Officer Nancy Ward was present. PROBATION - Salaries as dictated by State. 2% raise received. PROB USER FEES - everything that was in 2000 Adult Probation Admin Fee fund is now in PUF. Admin fee fund can no longer support these line items. She is working with the Judges trying to collect outstanding fees. JUV PROB ADMIN - overtime increased. Office supplies reduced. Need to purchase desks next year with office equipment line. Mrs. Ward stated she will try to add this to Department of Corrections grant for next fiscal year cycle. GRANT - Bottom line awarded from the State is \$61,500. Anything not covered here will be supported by PUF such as group insurance.

AREA PLAN - Director Mark Mills and Liz Stitzel were present. Reduced service agreement 079-03-0053 but contract services 079-03-0004 went up from \$200 to \$1,000. Totaling a net reduction of \$200. Mr. Mills stated this budget approved by APC board. President Dunn asked Ms. Stitzel to report on property clean ups and unsafe buildings fees.

EMS/HOSPITAL CONTRACTUAL - Director Greg Miller presented his budget along with Commissioner Josh Uitts. President Dunn stated they will need to take time to restructure these funds before September. EMS - Director salary 301-01-0011 at part time wages. Increase in Gas, Oil and Lube 301-02-0011 and medical supplies 301-02-0013 due to bringing Mulberry to full time and purchasing meds through IU pharmacy. Mr. Miller is trying to keep the meds expenses down buy using other vendors as needed. Billing contract 301-03-0002 to Accumed increased. Ambulance lease payment is in here. HOSPITAL CONTRACTUAL - This currently includes the Transfer budget but County Attorney Tom Little is working on preparing an ordinance to create a new fund for the Transfer budget. Increased in wages are based on actual figures from area hospitals and established public safety budgets elsewhere in this County (Sheriff). 10 EMTs and 10 Paramedics at an approximate 10% wage increase. Transfer revenue history so far for this year was discussed and is being estimated at \$1.5

million annually Mr. Miller stated they are running 4.5 to 5 calls a day and transfer rates are low compared to surrounding counties. President Dunn stated again he would like to see the Public Safety committee get together to discuss wages and the use of the new PS rate increase. The new EMS headquarters is included in the Hospital Contractual fund. American Structure Point has submitted preliminary drawings to Mr. Miller and Commissioner Uitts. What is estimated in the budget for 2018 is elevated according to Mr. Miller. This will be a bare necessity building including office, sleeping pods, and ambulance bays. This will be built on the fairground property which is County owned land. The IU Health helipad may be moving to accommodate this structure. There is money budgeted for a satellite facility as well. 2018 Transfer budget reflects all EMT's and paramedics being paid the same as 911 EMT's and paramedics. Fuel 4960-000-02-0011 could be cut from \$35,000 to \$25,000. Mr. Miller stated the Accumed service contract is in this budget as well but it is not reflected in the budget book. Commissioners are looking at adjusting fees to appropriate numbers that could affect the 2018 revenues. Landfill budget has cardiac monitors request in it for 2018. President Dunn stated he would like to see those purchased this year instead if possible.

EMA - Director Darrell Sanders was present. No significant changes except for new vehicle request 311-04-0001. Salaries for director and deputy director are reimbursed from the State 100%. Council member Myers will follow up with Mr. Sanders on the vehicle purchase and getting a discount.

PARKVIEW - Director Chris Overman discussed his budget requests. A five year contract has been signed with Comcast. Household, kitchen & laundry 622-04-0008 went up as he would like to hold a celebration for the County Home being 100 years old. Down on income slightly due to the lose of some RCAP monies. He has two potential residents coming in this month and possibly two going on RCAP.

SOIL & WATER - District Administrator Leah Harden and Board member Dustin Johnson presented their requests to the Council at the August 8th meeting. Raises of 4% were included as instructed and overtime line was left in again at same amount as 2017.

HEALTH/GRANTS - Director Rodney Wann discussed his budget requests. HEALTH - Equipment supplies 1159-000-02-0032 increased as they are facing a move possibly next year to the hospital. Added overtime 1159-000-01-0022. Rent is included in this budget not knowing if there will be a move or not. Tax cap is budgeted 1159-000-03-0026 and is increased by approximately \$2,000. PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT - Pass through grant funding.

MVH/LR&S/CUM BRIDGE/LOHUT - Superintendent Kevin Myers and Office Assistant Jo Ostler were present. MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY 531 - Salaries are at 6% across the board. An additional \$500 has been added for drivers with salt box on truck. New incoming State funds will go into MVH and LRS funds. Would like to start looking long term and having all roads in county paved. Does not feel at this time that more employees are needed but should compensate his current employees. 533 - Ice control 1176-533-02-0010 increased. County Road 450W in this budget 1176-533-03-0002. This project should be ready for final inspection this year but would like to keep \$10,000 in next year's budget just in case. Parking lot in front of highway department building needs paved so there is a \$5,000 request for this 1176-533-04-0006. New loader lease needs added in. This can be put in construction equipment 1176-533-04-0018 and reduce from \$300,000 to \$35,000. CUM BRIDGE - \$10,000 in bridge 504 just in case. Requests for some culverts as they have not been inspected for a while. They will be hiring a firm to do inspections of culverts. LOCAL ROAD & STREET - Bituminous. WHEELTAX - Bituminous.

911/CENTRAL DISPATCH - Director Renee Crick was present. CENTRAL DISPATCH - increase in dues 4958-000-03-0030 and memberships 4958-000-03-0031 both by \$100. No other changes. At some point items will need to be moved out of here as the cash balance is going down. This fund is being supported by public safety contributions from cities and towns currently. 911 - increase in overtime 1222-000-01-0030 for four shift supervisors. Centurylink 1222-000-03-0001 increased but other fees to communication companies are decreased or removed. Maintenance 1222-000-03-0010 increased to \$20,000 but believes could be \$15,000. Official records 1222-000-03-0017 added as a new line. Purchase of Powerphone 1222-000-03-0018 in the amount of \$59,950. At the end of 2018 a new cash system from Powerphone will need to be purchased that will interface with Spillman 1222-000-03-0019. This has a new line request at \$8,500. Nixel was discussed and its use. Mrs. Crick stated she feels this is a necessary service and has over 500 subscribers.

AUDITOR - Auditor Cathy Hamilton stated office supplies increased 002-02-0001. Book scanning 002-03-0050 added at \$1,500. This is a service that would require a large scanner that is the County does not have.

COUNCIL/CEDIT - COUNCIL - President Dunn believe the amount in PERF line 061-01-0032 seems low but possibly this year's reflected number is just high. Group insurance 061-01-0033 increased by 10% as well as life 061-01-0035 and vision 061-01-0036. Insurance agent commission was discussed. Work Comp 061-03-0033 could be reduced. Tax cap loss is 2017 number. 2018 number is available but needs to be broken down per fund. CEDIT - bond payment reduced due to refinance of 2009 bond. PIP budget 1112-000-03-0076 estimated at \$200,000 but may be lower.

COMMISSIONER/CTHOUSE/CUM CTHOUSE - COMMISSIONER - increased Commissioner Assistant pay 068-01-0014 by 8%. Her duties have been increased due to the added responsibilities of the fair council. Mileage 068-03-0013 cut to \$500. If this needs cut to zero it can be as they do not usually turn in mileage claims. Insurance deductible 068-03-0035 raised due to the amount of expenses this year. Phone bills are under control per Theresa Martin, Commissioner Assistant. This includes land lines and cell. Possibly by September there will be more information available and this line could be reduced. NACO dues 068-03-0079 removed entirely as Commissioner President Shoemaker believes there is no real benefit to the County. Looking at Burial of soldiers 068-03-0091 but left 2018 request same. COURT HOUSE - Facility Manager line added 161-01-0024 at \$40,000. This is not a new employee but a current custodian would be paid this for more duties. CUM COURT HOUSE - Repairs and maintenance 1140-000-03-0001 increased. Structure point estimates are coming in around \$200,000 to repair court house. Commissioner Uitts would like to see each department put furniture in their own budgets and Commissioners would only have control over the building expenses such as carpet, paint etc. Discussion followed. Imaging was also discussed. New \$10,000 line in here is for software upgrade 1140-000-03-0054.

CCD/LANDFILL/IT - LANDFILL - Rossville will no longer have recycling. President Dunn suggested the Parkview home celebration could come out of Landfill instead of County General. Demolition of properties 4901-03-0025 request is \$200,000. Forest Fire station was discussed as well as Manson elevator. An OCRA grant is currently in the works for the reconstruction of the Forest Fire department according to Commissioner Woods. Also, they are researching to see if they can get grant funding for help with the demolition of the Manson elevator. Tipping fees have not increased yet as Republic has not moved to the other side of State Road 39. The Commissioners have drafted a letter to send out in regards to this. CUM CAP DEVELOPMENT - Computer and peripherals 1138-000-04-0009 request at \$247,000 due to a much needed upgrade of equipment. This includes courthouse and Sheriff's office as well. IT - Email services/ACCS 160-03-0004 could be reduced. Commissioner President Shoemaker stated they are looking at changing County's email service. CSI is in this budget twice. One for Clerk and one for Recorder. Website maintenance 160-03-0068 can be removed as Commissioner Assistant Theresa Martin and Surveyor First Deputy Zach Light are maintaining the website with support on occasion from ACCS.

#### NON-BINDING UNITS -

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Hensley that estimated max levy limits and estimated circuit breaker impacts from all non-binding units are received and reviewed for:

CENTER TWP, FOREST TWP, JACKSON TWP, JOHNSON TWP, KIRKLIN TWP, MADISON TWP, MICHIGAN TWP, OWEN TWP, PERRY TWP, ROSS TWP, SUGAR CREEK TWP, UNION TWP, WARREN TWP, WASHINGTON TWP, COLFAX, KIRKLIN TOWN, MICHIGANTOWN, MULBERRY, ROSSVILLE, FRANKFORT CORP, COLFAX LIBRARY, FRANKFORT COMMUNITY LIBRARY, CLINTON COUNTY LIBRARY, KIRKLIN LIBRARY, CLINTON CENTRAL, CLINTON PRAIRIE, ROSSVILLE SCHOOL, and FRANKFORT SCHOOL

Motion carried 7-0.

#### ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

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Ron Gascho  
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