

**MINUTES FOR THE
CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 9, 2021**

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on March 9, 2021 at the hour of 9:00 a.m. regular Council 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 and led the Pledge of Allegiance. On call to order the following members were shown to be present or absent.

PRESENT

Alan Dunn

Jeff Chynoweth

Ron Gascho

Jon Hussey

Jake Myers

ABSENT

Clark Beard

Mike Hensley

Britt A Ostler, Clinton County Auditor, was present to record the proceedings of the Council. Tim Elston was also present to broadcast the meeting virtually.

Others present were, Deputy Auditor Janet Lloyd, Sheriff Rich Kelly, Ashley Kelly, Ken Hartman, Liz Stitzel, Greg Miller, Renee Crick, Rick Campbell and others as mentioned in the minutes.

Council member Chynoweth moved, seconded by Council member Hussey to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2021, meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Community Corrections Director Brett Barton reported there were 82 clients on electronic monitoring in February 2021, with 8 of those being juveniles and 3 on CTP. TRECS program is going nicely with over \$5000 collected. He is hoping to receive a canine by July 1, 2021.

PROBATION

Chief Probation Officer Nancy Ward stated there were juvenile detention costs in the amount of \$0.00 for the month of February 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

EMA Training Facility - Matt Stidham

EMA has purchased 3 container and construction started on one last week. The City has bought into the program for \$40,000; \$25,000 up front with \$7,500 twice afterwards. A Carroll County township is donating \$4000. State of Indiana is on board with a donation of 5 containers, with the option to go pick up more in Lexington, KY. Two containers will be completed by May. An engineer will be involved in the process of construction. The promotion through Good to Go is raising additional funds. The budget of \$140,000 has not been altered. However, additional facilities may be added if funds allow such as a separate dog training area. Renee Crick stated that this facility will be very beneficial to her department as well.

Motion to model the City's program of \$25,000 and 2x \$7500, for a total of \$40,000 to be appropriated, was made by Council member Chynoweth, seconded by Council member Gascho, passing by a vote of 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Additional Appropriations Ordinance No. CO-2021-04

President Dunn read each request and then asked for a motion for approval of the entire slate of Additional Appropriations. Upon motion by Council member Chynoweth, seconded by Council member Myers, the Motion to approve the following Additional Appropriations carried 5-0:

Request from Commissioners in the amount of \$1936.75 in the CUM Courthouse Fund for 1140-000-03-0020 Mowing/Landscaping/Snow Removal

Requests from Superior and Circuit Courts in the amount of \$185,153.12 in the Supplemental Public Defender Fund for 1200-000-03-0047 Superior Special Pauper Attorney (\$177,256.63) and 1200-232-03-0047 Circuit Special Pauper Attorney (\$7896.49)

Request from Probation Department in the amount of \$62,297.00 in the Adult Probation Fund for 2000-01-0011 Probation Office (\$10,000), 2000-000-01-0016 Office Manager (\$40,297), 2000-000-02-0001 Office Supplies (\$3000), 2000-000-03-0012 Postage (\$700), 2000-000-03-0013 Mileage (\$800), 2000-000-03-0020 Refunds (\$1000), 2000-000-03-0053 Service Agreement (\$3000), 2000-000-03-0081 Dues/Subscriptions (\$500) and 2000-00-03-0084 Seminars/Registration (\$3000)

Request from Surveyor in the amount of \$129.34 in the Drainage Maintenance Fund for 2700-000-03-0566 Raymond Stump

Request from Prosecutor in the amount of \$5200.00 in the IV-D Prosecutor Incentive Fund for 8897-000-04-0009 Furniture

Request from Sheriff in the amount of \$21,000 in the Jail Treatment Fund for 9118-000-01-0003 Adult Education Instructor (\$5000), 9118-000-03-0002 Mental Health (\$15,000) and 9118-000-03-0004 Adult Education (\$1000)

Request from Superior and Circuit Courts in the amount of \$132,874.96 in the Supplemental Public Defender Board Fund for 9123-232-03-0001 Circuit Pauper Attorney Fees (\$12,746.37) and 9123-201-03-0001 Superior Pauper Attorney Fees (\$120,128.59)

Transfers for approval

President Dunn read each request and then asked for a motion for approval of the entire slate of Transfers for Approval. Upon motion by Council member Myers, seconded by Council member Chynoweth, the Motion to approve the following Transfers carried 5-0:

\$14,590.00 from MVH Highway 1176-531-01-0030 Salary Rick Campbell to 1176-531-01-0024 Salary Tanner Hack

\$2000.00 from CARES Act Clinic Grant 8112-000-01-0003 Swabber to 8112-000-02-0002 Supplies

\$5000.00 from CARES Act Clinic Grant 8112-000-01-0004 Admin. Saturdays to 8112-000-01-0002 Admin. M-F

\$761.50 from Immunization Grant 9122-03-0004 Education & Training (500.00) and 9112-03-0005 Registration & Conferences (261.50) to 9112-04-0007 Equipment

Transfers no approval required

\$180.00 from 4800-000-03-0001 BFS to 4800-000-03-0002 Taft, Stettinus

\$8900.00 from 4901-000-03-0026 Landfill Liability Ins. to 4901-000-03-0029 Landfill WC

President Dunn called the Council's attention to the February 2021 Financial Report for their review. Council member Chynoweth motioned, seconded by Council member Gascho, to except said financial report. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Reports

President Dunn stated that he and Council members Hussey and Hensley toured to the jail with Mark Timmons to inspect issues of leaks and water heater tanks. The garage door broke during inspection and will be replaced as well. Several items need to be improved throughout the jail. The line item for repair and maintenance will be used of \$50,000 and an additional appropriation will come before the Council in the April meeting to replenish the \$50,000.

Council member Chynoweth reported that Coroner Ed Cripe is assessing adequacy of the drainage in the EMA building to enable it to function as a mortuary/exam room. There is room for a 3 person cooler. There is also the ability to pull into an attached garage to load and unload in a less visible way as long as it doesn't interfere with EMA personnel. Once the assessment is complete, the Coroner will have a better idea of the cost of this conversion.

Council member Hussey was invited by Parkview Director Chris Overman to visit the Home to assess the fire alarm system. Bottom line is that the system is antiquated and in dire need of updating.

President Dunn, Council member Hussey and Council member Hensley toured the Regions building to determine if it could serve as a potential annex building. President Dunn pointed out that since renovations would need to be done to that building, Parkview, the Jail and the Courthouse, the County might want to consider a bond to raise funds to get all these projects completed. It's been 25 years since a major renovation of facilities has been done.

Commissioner Uitts reported that RQAW will be going through the Regions building. A meeting with American Structure Point was held regarding the 3rd floor of Courthouse. The County is looking at spending \$325,000 for said renovation.

Commissioners

Commissioner Uitts met with representatives from the east side townships regarding how they can assist with funding for the new east side EMS building. Forest Township has committed \$17,500 and Sugar Creek \$5000. Hope to have commitments from the other 2 townships in the next 30 days.

Commissioner Uitts also reported that the Purdue Extension will resume conducting their four week summer program for elementary students this year. Funding for this program has normally come from corporate donations. However, Commissioner Uitts may come back next month to ask the Council for funding assistance from the County.

In addition, Commissioner Uitts informed the Council that the County's property and casualty insurance had been switched Tokio Marine with only a 2% increase. IPEP is now the County's Workman's Compensation carrier. The County should expect to see a continued increase in Workman's Comp amounts.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Sheriff

Sheriff Rich Kelly presented the 2020 Year-end Jail Report. See attached.

Central Dispatch

Director Renee Crick reported that her department will take part in a tornado siren drill next week between 10 and 10:30am for Weather Awareness Week. Cross roads GIS is now live and going great.

Area Plan

Liz Stitzel, Director, stated that the Commissioner's will be requesting bids for the demolition of the Manson Elevator. Bids three years ago were around \$250,000 to \$350,000, but included removal of concrete. Current bids will not require removal of concrete and she hopes that they come in less than \$50,000. President Dunn suggested that the Council go ahead and appropriate \$50,000 at the April meeting to have the funds in place to proceed. Council member Chynoweth so moved, seconded by Council member Gascho, and passing 5-0 to fund \$50,000 for demolition costs.

EMS

Greg reported they are waiting on the septic permit from the state for the east side building. Other approvals are getting done. Ground-breaking will be this month.

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

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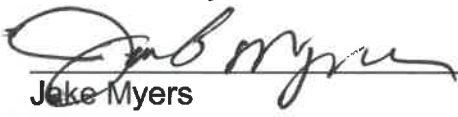
Alan Dunn, President

absent

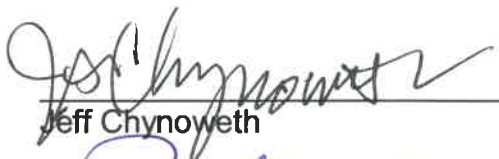
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absent

Mike Hensley



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Jeff Chynoweth



Ron Gascho



Jon Hussey

ATTEST:



Britt A Ostler, Clinton Co Auditor