

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY INDIANA
JUNE 26, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

The Huntington County Council met in regular session on the 26th day of June 2023, in the G.A.R. Room, at the Huntington County Courthouse, Huntington, Indiana, at 7:00 P.M. for considering all business brought before it pursuant to notice given to the Huntington Herald-Press on June 14, 2023.

Council Members Present: Kendall Mickley, Shane Bickel, Terry Miller, Keith Eller, Peyton Pike, and Brian Warpup. John Stoeckley was absent.

Council President Kendall Mickley called the meeting to order. Terry Miller gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1: President Kendall Mickley asked for approval of the County Council minutes from the May 22, 2023 meeting. Peyton Pike made a motion to approve the minutes. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 2: County Recorder Vicki Pearson requested a Transfer of Appropriation totaling \$32,962.30 in Fund 1189 - Recorder's Perpetuation, as follows:

FROM:	1189.11120.00000.0000 - Part-time	\$	17,580.30
	1189.50002.00000.0000 - Unappropriated	\$	15,382.00
	TOTAL:	\$	32,962.30

TO:	1189.11225.00000.0000 - Deputy	\$	17,580.30
	1189.12200.00000.0000 - Retirement	\$	2,630.00
	1189.12100.00000.0000 - Social Security	\$	1,426.00
	1189.12300.00000.0000 - Group Insurance	\$	11,200.00
	1189.34300.00000.0000 - Workers Comp	\$	31.00
	1189.34510.00000.0000 - Unemployment	\$	95.00
	TOTAL:	\$	32,962.30

Shane Bickel made a motion to approve the transfer. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 3: TAX ABATEMENTS - Mark Wickersham, Executive Director of Huntington County Economic Development, and the Recording Secretary of County Council's Tax Abatement Advisory Committee, discussed the Committee meeting held on June 6, 2023. The committee reviewed the CF1s from the companies listed below:

COMMODITY BLENDERS	RES # 2021-12-14-2 RP
COMMODITY BLENDERS	RES # 2021-12-14-1 PP
DOC'S CRANE & RIGGING	RES # 2019-07-31-2 PP
HEARTLAND REMC/BROADBAND	RES # 2019-07-31-1 PP
INTRI-CUT TOOL CO INC	RES # 2018-12-17- NC
INTRI-CUT TOOL CO INC	RES # 2015-06-22A
MITCHELL S. MOUNSEY	RES # 2013-05-20-1
R & M TERMINALS (F.K.A. GLADIEUX)	RES # 2015-11-23-1 PP
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Terry Miller made a motion to approve the CF1'S as presented. Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 4: Mr. Wickersham also discussed a new SB-1/PP submitted by DOC'S CRANE & RIGGING, which requested Tax Abatement for Logistical Distribution Equipment (a Self-Propelled Hydraulic Truck Crane Grove TMS 800-2 80 Ton). Resolution 2023-06-26 was prepared and presented to Council for approval.

Brian Warpup made a motion to approve the SB1 for Doc's Crane, including Resolution 2023-06-26, which established a schedule of the 10-year abatement on a decreasing percentage each year of the abatement. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 5: Council President Kendall Mickley presented a request for an Additional Appropriation on behalf of Circuit Court Judge Davin Smith. The Additional Appropriation was for \$1,576.00 for the GAL/CASA Matching Grant Budget line 9667.36200.00000.0000 Service Contracts.

Terry Miller made a motion to approve the request. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 6: Kendall also presented a request for an Additional Appropriation of \$1,212.50 for the Circuit Court's County General budget line 1000.31800.00000.0232 - Interpreter.

Shane Bickel made a motion to approve the request. Brian Warpup seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 7: Kendall also presented a request for a Transfer of Appropriation of \$913.27 from the Circuit Court's County General budget line 1000.21100.00000.0232 - Office Supplies to 1000.36200.00000.0232 - Service Contracts, to pay for work done to raise the judge's bench.

Peyton Pike made a motion to approve the transfer. Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 8: County Health Officer Dr. Matt Pflieger requested a Transfer of Appropriation of \$1,000.00 from the Indiana Local Health Department Trust Fund budget line 9123.31010.000000.0000 - CPC & Printer Supplies to 9123.36200.00000.0000 - Service Contracts.

Terry Miller made a motion to approve the transfer. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 9: Dr. Pflieger also requested an Additional Appropriation of \$16,794.00 in the Health Fund budget line 1159.11038.00000.0610 - Medical Asst/PHEP Coordinator.

Terry Miller made a motion to approve the Additional. Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 10: Dr. Pflieger also requested an Additional Appropriation of \$2,000.00 for the Health Department Fund budget line 1159.35120.00000.0610 - Vehicle-Repair/Service.

Terry Miller made a motion to approve the request. Brian Warpup seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 11: HR Director Stefanie Barrioz presented a request for Transfer of Appropriation on behalf of County Commissioner Rob Miller. The transfer of \$1,500.00 was from the Commissioner's County General budget line 1000.36200.00000.0068 - Service Contracts to 1000.39500.00000.0068 - Subscription & Dues.

Keith Eller made a motion to approve the request. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 12: IT Director Joakim Abrahamsson requested a Transfer of Appropriation of \$1,026.24 from the department's County General budget line 1000.44350.00000.0106 - Camera Equipment to 1000.45100.00000.0106 - Office (Furniture) Equipment.

Terry Miller made a motion to approve the transfer. Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 13: Highway Superintendent Troy Hostetler requested an Additional Appropriation of \$200,000.00 for the MVH Fund 1176, as follows:

1176.22100.00000.0533 - Unleaded Fuel	\$	125,000.00
1176.22101.00000.0533 - Diesel Fuel	\$	75,000.00

Peyton Pike made a motion to approve this request. Brian Warpup seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 14: Discussion of proposed changes to the 2023 Wage & Salary Ordinance:

HR Director Stefanie Barrioz requested a change of the MAX rate of pay for the Recorder's new Full-time Deputy (11225) to \$18.32 per hour (instead of \$19.03 per hour).

There was a request for DCD to increase the MAX rate of pay for the Land Use Division/Office Coordinator position (11111) from \$19.38/hour to \$20.21/hour, effective 6/26/23. This is a certification eligible position up to \$4,000.00, and is Non-EXEMPT.

There was a request for the Health Department to change the payroll budget line for the Medical Assistant from 1159.11036.00000.0610 and the PHEP Coordinator from 8118.11111.00000.0000 to a combined payroll budget line of 1159.11038.00000.0610 - Medical Asst/PHEP Coordinator, effective June 25, 2023. The position would remain as NON-EXEMPT and the MAX pay for the position would remain at \$21.56 per hour.

ITEM 15: Terry Miller made a motion to open the 2023 Wage & Salary Ordinance. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 16: Peyton Pike made a motion to change the MAX rate of pay for the Recorder's new Full-time Deputy (11225) to \$18.32 per hour (instead of \$19.03 per hour). Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 17: Terry Miller made a motion to increase the MAX rate of pay for the DCD's Land Use Division/Office Coordinator position (11111) from \$19.38/hour to \$20.21/hour, effective 6/26/23. The position is NON-EXEMPT, and eligible for a maximum certificate of \$4,000.00. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 18: Brian Warpup made a motion to change the payroll budget line for the Health Department's Medical Assistant from 1159.11036.00000.0610 and the PHEP Coordinator from 8118.11111.00000.0000 to a combined payroll budget line of 1159.11038.00000.0610 - Medical Asst/PHEP Coordinator, effective June 25, 2023. The position will remain as NON-EXEMPT and the MAX pay for the position will remain at \$21.56 per hour. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 19: Peyton Pike made a motion to close the 2023 Wage & Salary Ordinance. Brian Warpup seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 20: Community Corrections Director Leslie Rentschler was unable to attend, so Seth Kissinger, the Financial Data Analyst for the department, appeared to request a Transfer of Appropriation totaling \$66,800.00 in the Community Corrections Fund 9317, as follows:

FROM:	9317.12300.00000.9631 - Insurance	\$	66,800.00
TO:	9317.11239.00000.9631 - Transition Team Manager	\$	3,400.00
	9317.21500.00000.9631 - Supplies	\$	32,400.00
	9317.21100.00000.9631 - Office Supplies	\$	1,000.00
	9317.21420.00000.9631 - Cleaning Supplies	\$	6,000.00
	9317.21900.00000.9631 - Drug Test Supplies	\$	2,000.00
	9317.31000.00000.9631 - Printing	\$	2,000.00
	9317.35106.00000.9631 - Internet	\$	3,000.00
	9317.36200.00000.9631 - Professional Contracts	\$	12,000.00
	9317.32500.00000.9631 - Travel Expense	\$	5,000.00
	TOTAL:	\$	66,800.00

Shane Bickel made a motion to approve the request. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 21: NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Auditor Jill Landrum mentioned that there was an opening for Council's appointment to the Roanoke Library Board. Jill will advertise the vacancy and will invite the applicants to appear at a future Council meeting.

ITEM 22: REPORTS & ORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES:

COMMUNITY CORRECTION COMMITTEE - Terry Miller & Brian Warpup - Seth Kissinger reported that there were 10, but now 9 residents. There are 27 home detention on EHD (Electronic Home Detention) currently. In total there are 56 that are either pending or to be transferred to a different county. There is just over 60 on pre-trial for bond release. There is only one resident that is currently unemployed.

SOLID WASTE - Peyton Pike reported that there was a Solid Waste meeting and the gate at West Park Drive was fixed.

3-A REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT - John Stoeckley - No report available.

JOB CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE - Keith Eller, John Stoeckley, & Brian Warpup - reported that it has been busy and they would have another meeting in July.

LOCAL ANTI-DRUG COALITION EFFORT (L.A.C.E.)/EARLY INTERVENTION TEAM - Shane Bickel reported that there was no meeting in June or July scheduled.

LIME CITY DEVELOPMENT - Terry Miller reported that there was a meeting held since the last Council meeting at the new event center called The Clubhouse.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Keith Eller indicated that there was nothing to report.

PLAN COMMISSION - Terry Miller reported that there was a meeting regarding a property in the Roanoke area that was approved. There was also a property in Markle that was discussed.

C.E.D.I.T. ADVISORY - Peyton Pike indicated that no meeting was held.

HCUED - Kendall Mickley reported that there were 4 projects so far this year totaling approximately \$10 Million. He commented that there is lots of encouraging interest at the new Riverfork West. There will be a ribbon cutting in July to celebration the completion of the Infrastructure.

ABCD (Above & Beyond the Call of Duty) - Keith Eller indicated that no meeting was held.

TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW - John Stoeckley - Tax abatement matters were discussed earlier in the Council meeting.

WHARMM - Peyton Pike indicated that no meeting was held.

COMMISSIONERS HEALTH INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Keith Eller reported that no meeting was held. HR Director Stefanie Barrioz stated that we are at approximately 82% of expected on the Health Plan.

EMS ADVISORY COUNCIL - Peyton Pike indicated that no meeting was held. Kendall mentioned that he met with Parkview regarding the EMS LIT.

HCPD COMMITTEE - Kendall Mickley indicated that he met with the combined dispatch committee and that they will officially approve the budget next month. He also mentioned that he met with Mayor (Richard) Strick and Charlie Chapman, and they approved the initial budget.

INTERNAL CONTROLS COMMITTEE - Kendall Mickley & Jill Landrum - No meeting held.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (RDC) - Terry Miller & John Stoeckley - The annual RDC meeting will be held in July.


ITEM 23: Keith Eller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peyton Pike seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF JULY 2023:


KENDALL MICKLEY



TERRY MILLER


SHANE BICKEL


PEYTON PIKE


KEITH ELLER

ABSENT ON 06-26-23
JOHN STOECKLEY


BRIAN WARPUP

ATTEST:


JILL M. LANDRUM, AUDITOR

