

REGULAR SESSION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY INDIANA
FEBRUARY 28, 2022 COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The Huntington County Council met in regular session on the 28th day of February 2022, 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 February 05, 2022.

Council Members present: Kendall Mickley, Terry Miller, Peyton Pike, Keith Eller, John Stoeckley, and Shane Bickel. Kittie Keiffer attended via Zoom call, as did Commissioner President, Rob Miller.

Terry Miller opened the meeting with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1: John Stoeckley made a motion to amend the Jan 18, 2022 minutes to reflect that the meeting was led by Vice President, Kittie Keiffer. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving via roll call.

ITEM 2: Robert Jeffers, EMA Director, requested an additional appropriation for the SHSP Grant in the amount of \$4,562.49 for the following budget lines:

8329.37300.000.0000	Rental Equipment	\$2,000.00
8329.44350.000.0000	Camera Equipment	\$2,562.49

Terry Miller made a motion to approve this additional. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving via roll call.

ITEM 3: Robert requested an additional appropriation in the EMPG Grant for \$40,000.00 in budget line 8350.44100.000.0000 Equipment (1 Dispatch Console). Shane Bickel made a motion to approve this request. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving via roll call.

ITEM 4: Robert also requested a transfer of \$650.00 from budget line 1000.32500.000.0302 Travel Expenses to 1000.45100.000.0302 Office Equipment. Keith Eller made a motion to approve this request. John Stoeckley seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving via roll call.

ITEM 5: Dr. Matt Pflieger, Public Health Officer, requested an additional appropriation of \$1,206.65 in the Health fund budget line 1159.45302.000.0610 Computer Hardware for a laptop. John Stoeckley made a motion to approve this request. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving via roll call.

ITEM 6: Dr. Pflieger also requested a transfer of \$6.50 from the Health Department's budget line 1159.11520.000.0610 – Nurse, to the following budget lines:

1159.11111.000.0610	Clinic Coordinator	\$1.50
1159.11011.000.0610	Health Specialist	\$2.50
1159.11012.000.0610	Health Specialist II	\$2.50

Terry Miller made a motion to approve these transfers. Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 7: Ed Farris, County Extension Director, gave an update on the 2021 Annual Report and how things are going with 4-H.

ITEM 8: There was discussion of proposed changes to the 2022 Wage and Salary Ordinance for the Co-op Extension Office, Sheriff's Department, Highway Department, and Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI) Program.

* Co-Op Extension Office – Increase Max Rate of Pay for Part-time Program Assistant (1000.11525.000.0011) to \$13.91/hr. with a maximum of 58 hours/pay period. The Job Class Committee agreed to change a Full-time position to a Part-time and increasing the rate of pay to \$13.50/hr. in January 2021, however it was not presented to Council for approval. As a result, it was not reflected in the 2022 Wage and Salary Ordinance. After adding the 3% incentive to the hourly rate, the new rate of pay should be \$13.91/hr.

* Sheriff's Department – Received a favorable recommendation from the Job Class Committee to increase the hourly wages to the Cook and Commissary Clerk to \$18.26/hr. (same as jail officer) due to their interaction and assistance with inmates. The Misdemeanor Fund #1175 will cover the amount of increase for these positions for the remainder of 2022, along with the Social Security and the Medicare expenses for the increased amounts.

1175.11425.000.0000	Cook	increase from \$15.40/hr. to \$18.26/hr.
1175.11570.000.0000	Commissary Clerk	increase from \$17.51/hr. to \$18.26/hr.

* Highway Department – The Job Class Committee gave a favorable recommendation for request to increase the number of Equip Op III/Foreman (1176.11015.000.0531) positions from 2 to 3, and the decrease of Equip Op III (1176.11310.000.0531) positions from 11 to 10, effective 01/30/2022.

There was also a request to increase the hourly rate of pay for the Equip Op III/Foreman positions (1176.11015.000.0531) from \$21.30/hr. to \$22.98/hr. starting 03/06/2022.

Lastly, there was a request to increase the hourly rate of pay an additional \$1.68/hr. for an Equip Op III/Foreman (1176.11015000.0531), after the completion of the Road Scholar Program thru LTAP.

* On behalf of Circuit Court Judge Davin Smith, Magistrate Amy Richison requested additional payment for Co-Coordination for the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI) program to be paid from the Grant Fund # 9688 for the remainder of the grant term of 06/30/2022.

9668.11111.000.0000	Coordinator	\$22.65/hr, not to exceed 100 hrs. total, retroactive to 01/14/22 payroll NON- EXEMPT
9668.11111.000.0000	Coordinator	\$1132.50 total; paid as \$94.37 bi-weekly, retroactive to 01/14/2022 payroll EXEMPT

The payroll expenses related to this special pay will be covered by the County fund for the remainder of the grant period (06/30/22).

ITEM 9: OPEN 2022 WAGE AND SALARY ORDINANCE.

Keith Eller made a motion to open the 2022 Wage and Salary Ordinance. John Stoeckley seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 10: VOTE ON PROPOSED CHANGES

Co-Op Extension Office – Shane Bickel made a motion to change the rate of pay for the part-time Program Assistant to \$13.91/hr. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

Sheriff’s Department – Increase for Cook & Commissary Clerk. Terry Miller made a motion to approve these changes as presented. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

Highway Department – position changes & change to hourly rate of pay for Equip Op III Foreman. Shane Bickel made a motion to approve these changes, as presented. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

JDAI – Additional pay for two Coordinator positions paid by Grant Fund 9668. Peyton Pike made a motion to approve this request, as presented. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 11: CLOSE 2022 WAGE AND SALARY ORDINANCE. Keith Eller made a motion to close the Wage and Salary Ordinance. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 12: The Sheriff’s 2022 Salary Contract was presented for Council’s approval and signature by Council President. Shane Bickel made a motion to approve the Contract. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 13: Sheriff Chris Newton requested an Additional Appropriation totaling \$6,528.76 in the Misdemeanor Fund # 1175 for the following budget account lines:

1175.11570.000.0000	Commissary Clerk	\$1,260.00
1175.11425.000.0000	Cook	\$4,804.80
1175.12100.000.0000	Social Security	\$463.96

Shane Bickel made a motion to approve the additional. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 14: Sheriff Newton requested an Additional Appropriation totaling \$3,500.00 in Fund # 9681 – 2022 LACE Grant Sheriff for the following budget account lines:

9681.31300.000.0000	Edu/Training	\$2,455.00
9681.44100.000.0000	Equipment	\$1,045.00

Keith Eller made a motion to approve to approve the additional. John Stoeckley seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 15: Sheriff Newton also requested a transfer of \$10,000.00 from the K-9 Fund budget line 4012.21500.000.0000 Supplies to the following budget lines:

4012.36200.000.0000	Service Contracts	\$7,000.00
4012.44100.000.0000	Equipment	\$3,000.00

Keith Eller made a motion to approve these transfers. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 16: Magistrate Amy Richison appeared on behalf of Circuit Court Judge Davin Smith to request a Transfer of Appropriation of \$3,397.50 in the JDAI Fund 9668 from budget line 9668.36200.000.0000 Service Contracts to 9668.11111.000.0000 Coordinators. Shane Bickel made a motion to approve this transfer. John Stoeckley seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 17: Commissioner President Rob Miller requested an Appropriation totaling \$15,904.88 for Fund #8901 ICJI Criminal Justice Grant for the following budget lines:

8901.11512.000.0000	UDS Technician*	\$14,088.00
8901.12100.000.0000	Social Security	\$1,228.75
8901.32300.000.0000	Telephone	\$588.13

*This was discussed at the January meeting, and the 2022 Wage and Salary Ordinance was amended to pay the part-time UDS Technician from this grant.

ITEM 18: Auditor Jill Landrum presented a request on behalf of Jim Michel, of Weights and Measures, to transfer \$23.00 from budget line 1000.44100.000.0308 Equipment to 1000.24101.000.0308 Seals. Terry Miller made a motion to approve this transfer. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 19: Troy Hostetler, Highway Superintendent, requested a Transfer of Appropriation of \$10,500.00 from budget line 1176.11310.000.0531 Equip Operator III to 1176.11015.000.0531 EO III/Foreman. Peyton Pike made a motion to approve this transfer. Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

Troy also requested to transfer an appropriation of \$1,000 from budget line 1176.11401.000.0530 Secretary to 1176.12000.000.0530 Overtime. Terry Miller made a motion to approve this transfer. John Stoeckley seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

Troy also requested a transfer of \$3,000 from budget line 1176.44100.000.0530 Equipment to 1176.45400.000.0530 Furniture. Shane Bickel made a motion to approve this transfer. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 7- 0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

Troy requested a Transfer of Appropriation of \$150,000.00 in the Cum Bridge Fund 1135 from budget line 1135.36200.000.0000 Service Contracts to 1135.27500.000.0000 Materials. Terry Miller made a motion to approve this transfer. John Stoeckley seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

ITEM 20: ENCUMBRANCES FOR COUNCIL TO REVIEW - DO NOT NEED APPROVAL

DRUG COURT

9605.21900.000.0000	DRUG TEST SUPPLIES	\$300.00
9605.22600.000.0000	INCENTIVES	\$143.08
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9605.22600.000.0000	INCENTIVES	\$171.03
9605.32200.000.0000	TRAVEL	\$9,540.00
9605.32300.000.0000	TELEPHONE	\$38.48
9505.39500.000.0000	SUBSCRIPTIONS/DUES	\$840.00
9605.21900.000.0000	DRUG TEST SUPPLIES	\$33.58
9605.31000.000.0000	PRINTING	\$7.78
9605.32300.000.0000	TELEPHONE	\$4.81
	TOTAL:	11,144.68

REASSESSMENT

1224.34000.000.0000	AERIAL PHOTO	\$7,089.75
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COMMISSIONERS

1000.38530.000.0068	4-H FAIR ASSOCIATION	4,050.00
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PROBATION – 2021 LACE GRANT PROBATION

9664.21900.000.0000	DRUG TEST SUPPLIES	\$327.60
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ITEM 21: NEW/OLD BUSINESS: None

ITEM 22: COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE: Kittie Keiffer reported that a Community Correction Grant of \$100,000.00 has been awarded for the Community Coordinator Position. Kittie gave the statistics for Community Corrections.

SOLID WASTE: Peyton Pike reported that Solid Waste had a meeting and they are waiting on the benches to arrive.

3A REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT – John Stoeckley – Prep for 3A meeting

JOB CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE: Kittie Keiffer, Terry Miller, and Keith Eller – Items discussed during Council meeting

LOCAL ANTI-DRUG COALITION EFFORT (L.A.C.E) / EARLY INTERVENTION TEAM: Shane Bickel: Community Comprehensive Plan

LIME CITY DEVELOPMENT: Terry Miller reported that Lime City Development met at the City Police Station and there is great news coming.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Keith Eller reported that there was a meeting on the 27th and they

have been having traffic problems (speeding) on US 24 near Gladieux. Also there was a gas leak investigated in Andrews. The next meeting will be a Table top on March 22nd at Helena.

PLAN COMMISSION: Terry Miller – No meeting. Commissioner Tom Wall mentioned that there are 2 open spots on the Plan Commission. They hold their meetings in the evenings.

C.E.D.I.T ADVISORY: Peyton Pike – Nothing to report.

HCUED: Kendall Mickley mentioned board members Eric Fawcett- President; Troy Johnson; Erin Popplewell, the Roanoke appointee; and Mike Hartburg the Lime City President.

ABCD – Keith Eller – Nothing to report

TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW: John Stoeckley – Nothing to report

WHARM: Peyton Pike – Nothing to report

COMMISSIONERS HEALTH INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Keith Eller – Wellness Wednesdays with topics such as How to Handle Stress, Finances, Exercise plan, etc. Saved \$90,000 last year, mainly on prescriptions.

EMS ADVISORY COUNCIL: Peyton Pike – No meeting

HCPSD COMMITTEE: Kendall Mickley – No meeting

INTERNAL CONTROLS COMMITTEE: Kittie Keiffer & Jill Landrum – No meeting


REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION: Terry Miller & John Stoeckley: Trying to dispose of 2 properties and get them back on tax roll; Junction 9 is cleaned out.


ITEM 23: ADJOURNMENT – Peyton Pike made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 7-0 with Kittie approving by roll call.

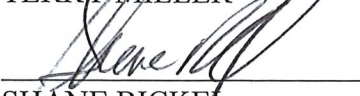
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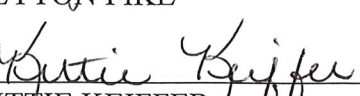
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JILL M. LANDRUM, AUDITOR


KENDALL MICKLEY

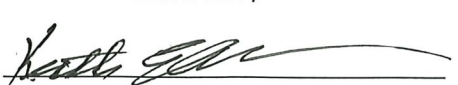

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