# MINUTES FOR THE CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING August 16, 2022

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on August 16, 2022, at the hour of 8:00 a.m. special 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. President Alan Dunn led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order. On call to order the following members were shown to be present or absent.

## **PRESENT**

**ABSENT** 

Alan Dunn Clark Beard Jeff Chynoweth Joe Mink Mike Hensley Jon Hussey Jake Myers

Britt Ostler, Clinton County Auditor, was present to record the proceedings of the Council. Others present and not accounted for in the minutes: Carol Price.

At 8:03 am a Public hearing for Ordinance 2022-09, An Ordinance of the Clinton County Council Modifying Local Income Tax Rates for EMS, commenced. Jordan Brewer, Commissioner President, spoke in favor of said Ordinance. Upon motion by Council Member Mink and seconded by Council Member Hussey, a Motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-09 passed 7-0.

8:05 am hearing closed. The regular budget meeting then proceeded as follows:

## CIRCUIT COURT

In Line 03-0047, Pauper Attorney Fees, we have to stay in compliance with the State with a 10% rate increase.

10% pay increases were given for all employees. The Court Reporter positions were given an additional \$1350 each; willing to reduce overtime budget if needed to make up for this. Line 21 will remain the same.

#### CASA

10% pay increase.

## **PROSECUTOR**

10% pay increases. Deputy Prosecutors paid out of lines 16 and 19 were bumped to \$75,000, based on comparable position in surrounding counties.

Capital murder case will increase work load and all case levels are increasing. The Capital case will be paid for by the infraction deferral fund and professional services in general budget.

#### CHILD SUPPORT

One staff member has left employment. The caseworker is now the Co-Administrator. The Administrator and Co-Administrator, lines 13 and 15, will receive the same pay. Line 14 position will go away. IV-D Deputy prosecutor salary raised to \$37,500 (more than 10%).

## SUPERIOR COURT

Part time court reporter, line 01-0018, requested this position go to full time. Pauper Attorney fees, line 03-0047, was raised to \$160,000.

Regarding the Capital Murder case, no trial date has been set yet. This line, 03-0002, has been increased to \$200,000. The State has reimbursed 50% of costs to date. Judge Hunter does believe this reimbursement rate will continue.

# **AREA PLAN**

10% pay increases.

# **ASSESSOR**

Added line 01-0024, Bi-lingual, as a stipend for an employee that speaks Spanish and translates often in their office as well as other Courthouse offices.

## REASSESSMENT

Line 03-0060 should be renamed as Pictometry/Beacon.

#### **AUDITOR**

10% pay increases.

# CORONER

A Mortuary cot expense of \$35,000 was included in this budget. However, Coroner Cripe has applied for a grant to help with the cost. President Dunn wondered if the local mortuaries might be willing to help with this expense. Autopsy Supplies amount was increased.

President Dunn asked if the new mortuary has brought in any revenue yet. Via phone text, Coroner Ed Cripe stated that it is has not yet, but Carroll County has expressed an interest in future use.

## COUNCIL/CEDIT/CUM CAP DEVELOPMENT/LANDFILL

Health Insurance is listed as 12% increase. We will know more in September from our broker. Road bond payment taken out of Council budget and into Fund 4600. Increased vehicle line 04-0007 to \$35,000. The Surveyor will get the vehicle.

# **CLERK**

10% pay increases.

03-0012 Postage - Odyssey has helped decrease this line, so brought down to \$5000.

03-0052 Office Repair reduced to 0

03-0053 Clerk Service Agreement increased to \$5500

03-0084 Seminars-Meals-Lodging reduced to \$3500

## REGISTRATOR OF VOTER

No changes

# **COUNTY ELECTION BOARD**

062-04-0004 -30 new iPads and cases \$13,800

# **CLERK'S RECORDS PERPETUATION**

No changes

## COMMISSIONERS

03-0005 Utilities – raised to \$150,000

## COURTHOUSE

01-0022 - changed to full-time position at \$32,300

## **CUM COURTHOUSE**

Increases for cost of items

## IT - Add

03-0063 - increased for the liability insurance

## **CUM CAP**

03-0026 increase to Braden line

03-0013 Regions Building started with IT

#### LANDFILL

15-18% increase for insurance

03-0029 work comp - increased because of claims and payroll increases

03-0020 fairground repairs - decreased due to grandstand project being put on hold.

03-0038 PR Consultant for reaching out on social media.

04-0007 vehicle increase to \$35,000

#### **EMS**

Added position 01-0012 RN/Paramedic

Paramedic Supervisor lowered from 4 to 3 employees

Paramedics increased from 10 to 11 employees

EMTS increased from 13 to 14 employees

Insurance increased – rates per Auditor's office

Gas and Lube significant increase

## **EXTENSION OFFICE**

10% raises

President Dunn mentioned might look into adding a budgeted amount for Learning Network into this budget.

#### **EMA**

Level budget – down 34% from 2022 due to equipment purchased last year. 10% raises for personnel.

#### FRANKFORT/CLINTON COUNTY AIRPORT

No comments.

## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

10% raises

Part time Health Officer has been added to this budget.

Extra help is now a 0.

# **HIGHWAY**

10% raises, increased clothing allowance.

## **MVH RESTRICTED**

10% raises

## WHEEL TAX

No comments

#### LR&S

No comments

### **CUM BRIDGE**

No comments

## **PARKVIEW HOME**

10% raises, increased utilities and fuel lines

#### **PROBATION**

Level budget

# **ADULT PROBATION ADMIN**

No comment.

## JUVENILE ADMIN

No comment

## **RECORDER**

Asking for an increase in her salary, not reflected in the budget presented. 10% raises.

## RECORDER PERPETUATION

Added digitizing of documents for \$45,000. The County will pay \$67,000 for the project. Move \$10,000 from 000-04-0042 to 000-04-0007 Office Equipment so it can be utilized for various items/projects.

## **ID PROTECTION**

000-03-0001 Redaction Services increased to 3905 000-03-0002 CSI Special Digitizing Project \$24,000

# **SHERIFF**

005-01-0031 Detective additional compensation.

005-02-0011 Gas, Oil, Lube increase

# **JAIL**

Jail Clerk coordinating adult education program; increasing her salary in the budget because DOC will no longer fund the program.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY LIT**

Add Detective line \$64,599 8 Deputies – \$495,088.00

# LIT CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

No comments.

## FEDERAL INMATE HOUSING

Increase uniforms
Service line went up
2023 vehicles (7); 2024 first trade in for Tahoes
Speciality pay for longevity pay, SWAT, special duties requiring certifications, stipends could be paid out of Commissary
Body Cameras

## **SOIL & WATER**

62% is reimbursable for the Res Con Spec.

# **CENTRAL DISPATCH**

Interested in starting a 911 education program in the local schools. Added Spillman Fire ERS Maintenance \$31.930.

## **STATEWIDE 911**

10% raises, professional services remain the same, Spillman Maintenance is decreased from \$36,985.23 down to \$7645.00 (this is being split with the Central Dispatch budget). Since there is currently plenty of cash in this fund, an additional appropriation may be turned in to go ahead and purchase radio equipment in 2022 because costs rise more.

#### **TREASURER**

Decreased extra help budget; steps have been taken to make office more efficient. 10% raises

## **WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

No comments.

#### WILD CAT SWD

No comments.

# **VETERAN'S AFFAIRS**

Joe Root will be training his part time employee to take over when he retires. He will work 2 days a week. Joe is requesting his office be open 5 days a week. It's not been determined when Joe will retire. 10% raise and an additional amount for office supplies.

#### SURVEYOR

Vehicle maintenance and fuel raised, 10% raises.

## DRAINAGE BOARD

No comments.

#### PLAT BOOK

Pictometry expense was added

#### SURYVEYOR CORNER PERPETUATION

No comments.

#### SURVEYOR USER FEE FUND

The purchase of a new Surveyor truck was added. Expense to be shared with Landfill Tipping Fees Fund.

President Dunn brought it to the Council's attention that Mayor Sheets had reached out to him regarding the need to have a member of the Council appointed to the City Economic Development Board. Jake Myers volunteered to do so. Upon motion by Council member Beard, seconded by Council member Mink, a motion to approve Council member Myers appointment to said board carried 7-0

Adjourned: 2:26 p.m.

**Clinton County Council** 

Alan Dunn, President

Jeff Chynoweth

Mike Hensley

Jake Myers

Clark Beard, Pro-tem

Joe Mink

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