

MINUTES FOR THE  
CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
February 14, 2023

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on February 14, 2023, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. for a Public Hearing, followed by the 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  
Clark Beard  
Jeff Chynoweth  
Mike Hensley  
Carol Price  
Todd Corrie  
Joe Mink

**ABSENT**

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: First Deputy Auditor Janet Lloyd, Renee Crick, Rick Campbell, Rich Kelly, Ashley Kelly, Shawn Mayfield, Brett Todd, Ken Hartman, and others as mentioned in the minutes.

Zach Klutz, Taft Law representative, spoke regarding the adoption of Resolution 2023-01. One change was made from the original draft sent to the Council. He didn't want to estimate the Maximum Debt Service Levy too low, so it was increased to \$2.75 million at a rate of 1.164.

**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING RESOLUTION 2023-01 –  
A Resolution Making a Determination of Need for Two Separate Projects and making a Preliminary Determination to Enter Into a Lease Agreement and Authorizing Circulation of Taxpayer Petition and Ordering of Appraisals**

Public Hearing then opened 9:04 a.m.

No public comment.

Public Hearing closed at 9:05 a.m.

Motion by Council member Mink, second by Council member Chynoweth, to adopt Resolution 2023-01 carried 7-0.

The Regular Council meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by President Dunn.

Council member Beard moved, seconded by Council member Hensley, to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 meeting. Motion carried 6-0. Council member Price abstained.

Council member Beard moved, seconded by Council member Corrie, to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2023, Joint Meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

Council member Chynoweth moved, seconded by Council member Beard, to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2023, Special Meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

### **COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

Brett Barton stated that out of 101 individuals, there were currently 2 on CPT, 3 juveniles, and 4 on Pre-trial Release.

Clinton County Community Corrections have volunteered to allow The University of Cincinnati Criminal Justice Department perform an audit on their department. They will be in the County April 3, 2023. It's a very stringent audit that many agencies have not passed, and many others have been unwilling to volunteer for. Mr. Barton feels they're up to the challenges and welcomes the chance to demonstrate how his department differs from those of larger counties.

For the first time, the Project Income Fund has a balance of over \$500,000. They are currently looking for projects within the community to utilize some of those funds in 2024.

### **PROBATION**

President Dunn read the January 2023 report of Chief Probation Officer Nancy Ward which noted Juvenile detention costs in the amount of \$0.00 for the month.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**VOCA Position Salary Change** – Chief Prosecutor, Christine Smith spoke regarding a proposed salary increase of \$3538 for the Victims of Crime Advocate position, increasing the County portion of that salary to \$8179.00. It took a while to find someone to fill this position; largely due to their desire to hire someone bi-lingual. Motion by Council member Price, seconded by Council member Beard, to increase said salary. Motion carried 7-0.

### **2022 Central Dispatch Year-End Report**

Renee Crick, Central Dispatch director, spoke on the 2022 year-end report. Some specific figures she noted were: all 911 calls are answered within less than 10 seconds; 34,309 calls were dispatched; and 9046 traffic stops were run. The number call received from cell phones continues to rise as homes are removing their land-line phones.

Purchase of a 4 telephone to-go kits last year will enable her department to take 911 and admin calls from a remote location, should the need arise.

Still waiting for a total upgrade of phone system; it's on back-order. Planning to add two new positions in 2023 which will be located within the new Frankfort Police station.

Crossroads GIS Solutions is continuing to be up-to-date with the 911 maps. They're very happy with this system.

Senate Bill 158, which just passed during the most recent session, stipulates certain training and continuing education requirement for 911 operators. Mrs. Crick stated that her department is already adhering to many of these requirements.

## ENCUMBRANCES

Motion made by Council member Chynoweth, seconded by Council member Hensley, to approve the slate of encumbrances totaling \$28,982.00. Motion carried 7-0. (List attached).

## OLD BUSINESS

### Additional Appropriations Ordinance No. CO-2023-03

President Dunn read each request and then asked for a motion for approval of the entire slate of Additional Appropriations, aside from the request for the Surveyor User Fee Fund. Upon motion by Council member Beard, seconded by Council member Mink, the Motion to approve the following Additional Appropriations carried 7-0:

Request from Auditor's Office in the amount of \$1440.58 in the General Fund for 1000-068-01-0024 Utility Coordinator

Request from Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$1651.00 in the Accident Report Fund for 1101-000-04-0045 Camera Equipment

Request from Auditor's Office in the amount of \$55,738.06 in the CEDIT Fund for 1112-000-03-0076 Economic Development

Request from Parkview Home in the amount of \$12,100.00 in the County Home Gifts Fund for 1128-000-02-0001 Supplies for Residents

Request from Commissioners in the amount of \$1794.25 in the CUM Courthouse Fund for 1140-000-03-0020 Mowing/Landscape/Snow Removal

Request from Central Dispatch in the amount of \$20,992.63 in the Emergency Planning Fund for the following line items:

1152-000-02-0001	Office Supplies	\$500.00
1152-000-02-0002	Stationary & Printing	\$500.00
1152-000-03-0001	Emergency Planning	\$5000.00
1152-000-03-0003	Meeting Stipend	\$1500.00
1152-000-03-0010	Training	\$8000.00
1152-000-03-0012	Postage	\$100.00
1152-000-03-0084	Seminars, etc	\$500.00
1152-000-04-0007	Equipment	\$4692.63
1152-000-04-0044	Computers & Peripheral	\$200.00

Request from Health Department in the amount of \$500.00 in the Board of Health Fund for 1159-000-03-0029 Security Maintenance

Request from Health Department in the amount of \$2000.00 in the Board of Health Fund for 1159-000-03-0055 Annual Event

Request from Health Department in the amount of \$60,904.00 in the Board of Health Fund for 1159-000-03-0027 Distributions to Rainy Day Fund

Request from Highway Department in the amount of \$41,000.00 in the Local Road & Street Fund for 1159-000-04-0011 Drum Roller

Request from Auditor's Office in the amount of \$500.00 in the Elected Officials Fund for 1217-000-03-0099 Training

Request from Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$362.42 in the LIT Correctional Facility Fund for 1233-000-03-0001 Repairs & Maint

Request from Surveyor's Office in the amount of \$532.32 in the Drain Maintenance Fund for 2700-000-03-0566 Raymond Stump

Request from Wild Cat Solid Waste District in the amount of \$25,802.17 in the Solid Waste Payroll Fund for the following line items:

5101-000-01-0001	Director	\$10,942.14
5101-000-01-0003	FT Employee	\$8322.68
5101-000-01-0031	Social Security	\$1458.65

5101-000-01-0032	PERF	\$2157.64
5101-000-01-0033	Group Insurance	\$2763.08
5101-000-01-0036	Vision	\$35.58
5101-000-01-0037	Dental	\$122.40

Request from Health Department in the amount of \$12,997.64 in the COVID Testing Grant II Fund for 8113-000-01-0001 Extra Assistance

Request from Health Department in the amount of \$1100.00 in the COVID Testing Grant II Fund for 8113-000-01-0031 Social Security/Medicare

Request from Auditor's Office in the amount of \$4,576,754 in the ARPA Fund for 8950-000-03-0001 Envoy Annex Services

**\*\*Request from Surveyor in the amount of \$362.42 in the User Fee Fund for was mistakenly advertised. Therefore it was denied upon motion by Council member Hensley, seconded by Council member Corrie, passing by a vote of 7-0.**

### **Transfers for approval**

President Dunn read each request and then asked for a motion for approval of the entire slate of Transfers. Upon motion by Council member Chynoweth, seconded by Council member Hensley, the Motion to approve the following Transfers carried 7-0:

\$10,000.00 from 1000-201-01-0020 Ct Transcripts to 1000-201-01-0019 Extra Help

\$2000.00 from 1000-201-01-0025 Superior Court Interpreter to 1000-201-03-0048 Interpreter Fee

\$16,824.08 from 2101-000-03-0052 Airport Management to 2101-000-04-0011 Airfield Improvements

### **Transfers no approval required**

\$10.18 from 1000-004-03-0052 Recorder Misc Office Repairs to 1000-004-03-0081 Dues & Subscriptions

\$750.00 from 1000-660-03-0053 Child Support Service Agreements to 1000-660-03-0054 Professional Services

\$80.00 from 2101-000-02-0023 Airport Supplies/Materials to 2101-000-02-0011 Equipment Fuel

\$11,514.00 from 2101-000-03-0034 Airport Utilities to 2101-000-03-0004 Professional Services

President Dunn called the Council's attention to the Financial and Budget Status Reports for January 2023, submitted for the Council's review. Council member Chynoweth motioned, seconded by Council member Mink, to except said reports. Motion carried 7-0.

### **Council Reports**

Carol Price spoke regarding the Opioid Settlement and thanked everyone on the committee. Dr. Box praised Clinton County for the opioid settlement work that has been done.

President Dunn spoke regarding the AIC Legislative conference that was attended by Council President Dunn and Council member Price.

### **Commissioner Reports**

None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS  
HIGHWAY**

Rick Campbell reported that the 950 Loader lease is paid off. He wants to trade it back in and sell the older loader to then lease 2 new loaders at a rate of \$54,166/each for a 5 year term. It will take a year to get them. The salt is an issue with the equipment and leads to rust.

Motion to lease two new loaders for the highway department was made by Council member Chynoweth, seconded by Council member Beard. Motion carried 7-0.

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

Rodney Wann spoke regarding their annual report and the two State grants that are calendar year. Council member Chynoweth thanked Mr. Wann for his service.

**SHERIFF**

Sheriff Kelly reported that they will be using the Misdemeanant Fund to replace a vehicle used by Community Corrections. Currently, there are 5 Federal Inmate positions open. The new chillers have been delivered and a meeting is set with the Carrier rep to address an issue that has come up.

President Dunn asked about the status of the SRO program. He would like an updated presentation for where things currently stand. Sheriff Kelly said he would get that together for him.

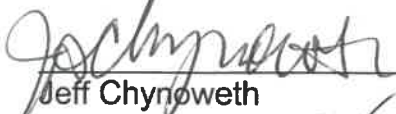
Trinity Church now belongs to St. Matthew and is set to become a recovery center with coaches available on-site. Chris Ward will be responsible for staffing it. Inmates will be helping with painting at the Trinity church building.


Matron Kelly also reported that they're looking at bringing in the Brianna's Hope recovery organization into the jail. Currently seeking to fill the JCAP (Jail Chemical Addiction Program) Coordinator position at the jail. They will be accepting applications until February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

**Clinton County Council**


  
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