

MINUTES FOR THE  
CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
February 9, 2021

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on February 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  
Clark Beard  
Jeff Chynoweth  
Ron Gascho  
Mike Hensley  
Jon Hussey  
Jake Myers

**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, Liz Stitzel, Rich Kelly, Ken Hartman, Mark Timmons and others as mentioned in the minutes.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021 special meeting. Motion carried 6-0. Council member Hussey abstained

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

Community Corrections Director Brett Barton stated there were 74 clients on electronic monitoring in January 2021 with 5 of those being juveniles, and 3 on CTP. Submitted Annual Report to the State, provided Council members a copy to review. Their department saved the State of Indiana over \$1,000,000 through Pre-trial Release Program.

**PROBATION**

President Dunn read the January 2021 report of Chief Probation Officer Nancy Ward which noted Juvenile detention costs in the amount of \$560.00 for the month.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Adoption of 2021 Salary Ordinance (revised)**

Council member Beard mentioned that he felt the separate salary lines of the EMS and Hospital Contractual budgets needed to be reflected on the Salary Ordinance, i.e. EMT's, Paramedics, Admin, etc. In addition, the Hazard pay increase given to part-time EMS, due to COVID, for the first quarter of 2021 of \$26.00 should also be stated on the ordinance. Motion made by Council member Beard seconded by Council member Myers to adopt the 2021 Salary Ordinance with said revisions. Motion carried 7-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Additional Appropriations Ordinance No. CO-2021-03**

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 Gascho, the Motion to approve the following Additional Appropriations carried 7-0:

Request from Extension Office in the amount of \$5,000.00 in the County General Fund for 1000-011-01-0023 Extra Help

Request from Central Dispatch in the amount of \$15,168.62 in the Emergency Planning/Right to Know Fund for the following lines:

\$100.00	1152-000-02-0001	Office Supplies
\$ 50.00	1152-000-02-0002	Stationary & Printing
\$6,018.62	1152-000-03-0001	Emergency Planning
\$1,000.00	1152-000-03-0003	Meeting Stipend
\$6,000.00	1152-000-03-0010	Training
\$100.00	1152-000-03-0012	Postage
\$500.00	1152-000-03-0084	Seminars Etc
\$1,000.00	1152-000-04-0007	Equipment
\$400.00	1152-000-04-0044	Computers & Peripherals

Request from Board of Health in the amount of \$500.00 in the Health Department Fund for 1159-000-03-0023 Mileage

Request from Prosecutor's Office in the amount of \$1100.00 in the Prosecutor IV-D Incentive Fund for 8897-000-04-0004 Office Equipment

### **Transfers for approval - None**

### **Transfers no approval required**

\$47,962.50 I65/SR 28 Interchange Project Fund from 4800-000-03-0001 BFS to 4800-000-03-0004 Easement/Right Away

\$37,619.82 I65/SR 28 Interchange Project Fund from 4800-000-03-0001 BFS to 4800-000-03-0003 White Construction

President Dunn called the Council's attention to the December 2020 and January 2021 Financial Reports for their review. Council member Beard motioned, seconded by Council member Chynoweth, to except said financial reports. Motion carried 7-0.

### **Council Reports**

President Dunn reported a change in the long term financial process for I65 process. We will now go through the open market instead of going to the State Revolving Fund for financing because we can secure a lower interest rate. EDA has been notified of the change of financial institutions for the bond.

Council member Chynoweth reported that he and Council member Hussey had spoken with the Coroner, Ed Cripe, regarding creating a Forensics Lab/Morgue in Clinton County which would need to contain a cooler, table, etc. Local facilities are being used currently for storing bodies. The cost of out-of-county services is expensive. Sheriff Kelly expressed his support.

**Commissioner Reports - None**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Area Plan**

Liz Stitzel from Area Plan gave a Director's Presentation for the year ending 2020. The presentation is attached to the minutes.

**Central Dispatch**

Renee Crick from Central Dispatch gave a Director's Report for the year ending 2020. The report is attached to the minutes.

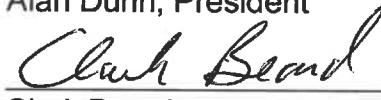
**Sheriff's Department**

Sheriff Kelly spoke regarding 8 Chevy Tahoes that have been secured for purchase. 4 Federal Inmate Jailers are in the process of being hired. The department's year-end reports will be presented at the March 9<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

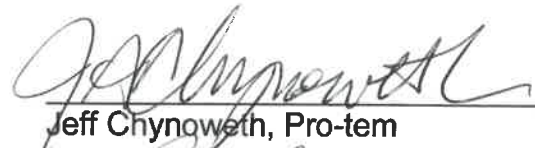
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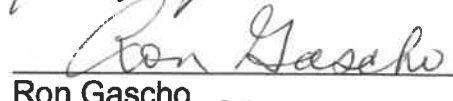
  
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