# MINUTES FOR THE CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING July 12, 2022

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on July 12, 2022, 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**

**ABSENT** 

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

Britt A Ostler, Clinton County Auditor, was present to record the proceedings of the Council.

Others present were: First Deputy Auditor Janet Lloyd, Stephen Miller, Ken Hartman, Brett Todd, Renee Crick, Rick Campbell, Bert Weaver, Shawn Mayfield, Liz Stitzel, Stephanie Harshbarger, Rodney Wann, and others as mentioned in the minutes.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022, meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

#### **COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

Community Corrections Director Brett Barton stated there were 79 clients on electronic monitoring in June 2022 with 4 of those being juveniles and 4 on CTP. There are no individuals currently on Pre-Trial Release. They expect to hear from the State in the near future regarding grant. A 4% increase was budgeted.

#### **PROBATION**

Probation report submitted for the month of June 2022 stated expenses as \$ 0.00.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Abilities Services

Director Teri Rose was present to inform the Council about the purpose of this organization and how the County's money is being utilized. Three group homes with 32-36 consumers utilizing the homes. They also run a day program, with transportation provided, for 40-45 individuals. An annual report was distributed for the Council's review. Ms. Rose will email a more detailed financial report to all Council members.

# **Learning Network**

Louisa Hoffman, Summer Kids Workshop Coordinator, presented the Council a detailed 2023 budget request totaling \$11,600.00. Melinda Grissmer accompanied Louisa to explain the different programs. This year, 32 workshops were conducted with 412 children participating. Although the Council sees the need for this program to continue, they expressed their desire for the Learning Network to seek additional funding through some other possibly sources; possible Community Foundation grant and/or Farm Bureau grant. Also, they might consider a price increase for the classes. The Council might then consider helping to provide scholarships for those who could not afford it.

#### Auditor

Auditor Britt Ostler submitted for Council review information regarding budget year 2023 from the State of Indiana. The growth quotient for 2023 will be 5%. The State has not yet released the information for the Max Levy, Property Tax Cap Impact, CUM Rates and Income Tax.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

## Additional Appropriations Ordinance No. CO-2022-07

President Dunn proceeded to describe each request and then asked for a motion for approval of the entire slate at the end. Upon motion by Council member Chynoweth, seconded by Council member Root, the Motion to approve the following Additionals carried 7-0.

Request from Sheriff's office for \$91.00 from General Fund to 1000-380-03-0005 Jail Meals

Request from Sheriff's office for \$32.13 from General Fund to 1000-380-03-0006 Jail Medical & Hospital

Request from Council for \$92,000.00 from General Fund to 1000-161-04-0035 Courthouse Equipment Replacement

Request from Sheriff's Office for \$250.00 from Accident Report Fund to 1101-000-04-0007 Equipment

Request from Board of Health for \$10,500.00 from Board of Health Fund to 1159-000-02-0014 Environmental Health

Request from Surveyor's Office for \$1910.28 from Surveyor User Fee Fund to 4902-000-03-0001 Professional Services

Request from Board of Health for \$5000.00 from Travel Immunization Fund to 4905-000-02-0001 Supplies

Request from Prosecutor's Office for \$2500.00 from Infraction Deferral Fund to 4907-000-03-0054 Professional Services

Request from Community Corrections for \$732.32 from Project Income to 4912-000-03-0061 TRECS Collections

Request from Circuit Court for \$20,171.74 from Public Defender Board to 9123-232-03-0001 Circuit Court-Pauper Attorney Fees (\$10,085.87) and 9123-201-03-0001 Superior Court Pauper Attorney Fees (\$10,085.87)

Request from Superior Court for \$30,281.35 from Public Defender Board to 9123-201-03-0002 Capital Murder

Transfers approval required

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

\$800.00 from Parkview Home 1000-622-02-0004 Misc Supplies to 1000-622-03-0052 Repair Equipment

\$25,000.00 from EMS 1151-000-01-0025 EMT Part Time to 1151-000-01-0032 EMS Overtime \$117.00 from EMS

1159-000-01-0082 Education & Training to 1159-000-01-0083 Registration & conference fees \$8000.00 from MVH Restricted 1173-000-01-0045 Truck Driver to 1173-000-01-0024 Operator \$13,000.00 from Federal Inmate 4968-000-01-0040 Benefits to 4968-000-01-0041 FICA

## Transfers no approval required

\$60.00 from Auditor 1000-002-03-0084 Seminars to 1000-002-03-0012 Postage \$150.00 from Commissioners 1000-068-03-0062 Weed & Mowing to 1000-068-03-0010 Plates & Registration

\$4090.00 from Area Plan 1000-079-03-0003 BZA Legal Services to 1000-079-03-0001 APC Legal Services

\$500.00 from Superior Court 1000-201-03-0020 Transcripts to 1000-201-03-0021 Printed Forms \$200.00 from Parkview Home 1000-622-03-0040 Seminars to 1000-622-03-0052 Repair Equipment \$1500.00 from CUM Bridge 1135-000-03-0036 Bridge #36 to 1135-000-03-0067 Bridge 67 \$4144.69 from MVH 1176-530-03-0052 Misc Office Repair to 1176-530-03-0051 Repair to Bldgs \$8000.00 from Project Income 4912-000-03-0012 Equipment Leasing to 4912-000-03-0040 Travel and Training

\$45.00 from Central Dispatch 4958-000-03-0013 Mileage to 4958-000-03-0032 Official Records

Council reviewed the Monthly Financial Report for June 2022. Council member Chynoweth moved, seconded by Council member Beard, to approve said report. Motion carried 7-0.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

President Dunn stated that the ARPA committee will meet today after Council meeting.

Council Member Myers mentioned that he had been contacted by some County employees regarding the City's recent decision to give a \$2000 "bonus" to all its employees. Asked that this request be considered at ARPA meeting. President Dunn stated the only way he felt that could happen would be to decrease the proposed 2023 salary increase to 3% (10% was recommended for budgets).

Council Member Hensley reported an employee has questioned the spousal exclusion policy for County health insurance. It was discussed that spousal exclusion saves the County a great deal of money and it is a standard practice for most businesses. Auditor Ostler pointed out there is special circumstances which make exceptions possible.

## COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Bert Weaver commented that the SBOA audit for the County was a very good.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

Sheriff

Chief Deputy Shawn Mayfield reported that the griddle in the jail kitchen is cracked. It will cost \$3400 to replace it. 2022 Commissary Bi-annual Report was submitted.

Soil & Water Steven Miller introduced himself as the replacement for Leah Harden at Soil and Water.

**Health Dept** Rodney Wann thanked Council and the Auditor's Office for working with him to get the new LED Sign.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:46 am

**Clinton County Council** 

Alan Dunn, President

Clark Beard, Pro-Tem

Mike Hensley

Jake Myers

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Joe Mink

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ATTEST:

Britt A. Ostler, Clinton County Auditor

# JOINT EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL AND CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

A joint executive session of the Clinton County Council and Clinton County Commissioners was held on July 15, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room to discuss pending litigation. Commissioner President, Jordan Brewer, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present in the meeting was Council President Alan Dunn, Council member Clark Beard, Council member Joe Mink, Council member Jeff Chynoweth, Council member Mike Hensley, Commissioner President Jordan Brewer, Commissioner Bert Weaver and Barnes & Thornburg attorney, Mark Crandley.

The meeting was documented by County Auditor, Britt Ostler.

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