

ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

117 N. Second St. Goshen, Indiana 46526

8:30 a.m., Room 104

The meeting of the Elkhart County Council was called to order by President Thomas W. Stump at 8:30 a.m., in Room 104 of the County Administrative Building, Goshen, Indiana. Members present were President Thomas W. Stump, Vice President David L. Hess, Darryl J. Riegsecker, Steven E. Clark, Adam M. Bujalski and Douglas S. Graham. Absent was Randy Yohn. Also present were Patricia A. Pickens, County Auditor; Steven Olsen, County Attorney; and Tiara Jackson, First Deputy Auditor.

1ST BUDGET READING:

1. President Stump called the meeting to order.
2. First Deputy Jackson read the advertised Notice to Taxpayers of the 2026 Proposed Budget Estimates(Budget Form No. 3)
 - a. For Elkhart County
 - b. For Nappanee Public Library Binding Review
3. Auditor Pickens read levies and rates as advertised (17-Line Statement for Elkhart County).
4. Auditor Pickens read levies and rates as advertised (Nappanee Public Library).
5. 2026 Salary Ordinance CC-2025-17 was read and introduced by title into the record by Steven Olsen, County Attorney.
6. 2026 Recorders Perpetuation Ordinance CC-2025-18 was read and introduced by title into the record by Steven Olsen County Attorney.
7. Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to close 1st Reading of the 2026 Budget.

On motion made to close the 1st Reading of the 2026 Budget by Riegsecker and seconded by Graham, the Council unanimously carried and approved to close the 1st

Reading of the 2026 Budget with a vote of 6 to 0.

8. On motion made by Bujalski and seconded by Riegsecker, the motion to adjourn the meeting was unanimously carried and approved with a vote of 6 to 0.

Patricia A. Pickens
Elkhart County Auditor