

ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA

Thursday, January 15th, 2026
117 N. Second St. Goshen, Indiana 46526
4:00 p.m., Room 104

1. CALL TO ORDER-

2. **ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL:** Mr. Bujalski ___ Mr. Clark ___ Mr. Graham ___
Mr. Hess ___ Mr. Riegsecker ___ Mr. Stump ___ Mr. Yohn ___

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2026

**1st Deputy Auditor assumes the Chair and opens the floor for nominations for President.

**Newly elected President assumes the Chair and opens the nominations for Vice-President.

**Consideration and approval of 2026 Additional Department Appointments.

**Consideration and approval of 2026 Budget Department Assignments.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Approval of CC Minutes for December 18, 2025

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioners –

Council -

Sheriff -

5. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

A. GENERAL (#1000)

1. Assessor's Office (109) – *for Technicians*

Request for (3) positions added to the Assessor's Office to cover Concord
responsibilities

\$ 143,208.00

B. DRUG FREE COMMUNITY (#1148)

1. Auditor's Office (980) – *for Other Grant Awards*

for funding programming allocated to Criminal Justice, Prevention, Treatment,
& Administration

\$ 139,641.00

C. HEALTH OPERATING (#1159)

1. CHN/Health (982) – *for Donations*

to appropriate donated funds for 2026

\$ 4,222.00

D. HEALTH OPERATING (#1159)

1. CHN/Lobley (983) – *for Donations*

to appropriate donated funds for 2026

\$ 2,776.00

E. LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE (#1168)	
1. Health Dept. (982) – <i>for Donations</i> to appropriate donated funds for 2026	\$ 5,707.00
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F. AUDITOR INELIGIBLE (#1216)	
1. Auditor’s Office (102) – <i>for Other Professional Services</i> Funds to cover invoice for services related to Homestead Audit	\$ 49,000.00
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G. CR 6 & CR 17 IMPROVEMENT TIF (#4511)	
1. Planning & Development (980) – <i>for Construction/Reconstruction</i> Construction funds to construct watermains & connections in Prairie Creek Run	\$4,950,000.00
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H. PARKS & RECREATION DONATIONS (#4909)	
1. Parks & Recreation Dept. (980) – <i>for Service Workers PT, Fringe Benefits, etc.</i> Park Board requesting this appropriation to set up the accounting from the Community Foundation DeFries Endowment for payroll	\$ 78,780.00
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I. PARKS & RECREATION DONATIONS (#4909)	
1. Parks & Recreation Dept. (980) – <i>for Donations</i> to be appropriated for designated park donations for County Park projects, special events, & programs	\$ 175,000.00
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J. WIC GRANT (#8101)	
1. Health Dept. (982) – <i>for Donations</i> to appropriate donated funds for 2026	\$ 2,339.00
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K. CHILDHOOD LEAD POISON (#8120)	
1. Health Dept. (980) – <i>for Other Operating Supplies</i> Funds from 2012 to help pay for supplies associated w/lead poisoning	\$ 60.53
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L. DENTAL PROGRAM INCOME (#8178)	
1. Health Dept. (982) – <i>for Donations</i> to appropriate donated funds for 2026	\$ 3,206.00
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M. LOCAL GRANT HEALTHY BABIES (#9122)	
1. Health Dept. (981) – <i>for PT Professional, Fringe Benefits, Mileage, etc.</i> to appropriate funds for the Healthy Babies Program for 2026	\$ 36,873.00
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N. LOCAL GRANT HEALTHY BABIES (#9122)	
1. Health Dept. (982) – <i>for Donations</i> to appropriate donated funds for 2026	\$ 1,027.00
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O. PCR ADAMS ST. COMMUNITY FUND (#9154)	
1. Planning & Development (980) – <i>for Construction/Reconstruction</i> PCR Water: Funds for owner-occupied water connections from community foundations & Osolo Twp.	\$ 159,560.14
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P. LILLY GIFT VIII (#9173)	
1. Health Dept. (981) – <i>for PT Professional, Fringe Benefits, Travel, etc.</i> Grant from the Community Foundation of Elkhart County to support case management services for high-risk parents in the county	\$ 166,000.00
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Total Appropriations:	\$5,917,399.67

6. TRANSFER REQUESTS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION:

Q. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT (#9157)

- 1. Community Corrections (980)

From: 41120 Professional	\$22,000.00
41125 Technicians	\$ 3,400.00
41130 Protective Service Workers	\$10,400.00
41165 Excess Hours	\$ 3,100.00
To: 43090 Professional Services	<u>\$38,900.00</u>
Total ECCC:	\$38,900.00

TOTAL OVERALL TRANSFERS = \$38,900.00

7. TRANSFER REQUESTS NOT REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION:

(Available in the Auditor's office)

8. OTHER BUSINESS:

Steve Olsen:

1. Grant Ordinances:

- a. Consideration and Approval of CC-2026-01: An Ordinance Establishing the 20.703 HMEP LEPC Training Exer. Grant Fund for the Elkhart County Emergency Management Department. (8206)
- b. Consideration and Approval of CC-2026-02: An Ordinance Establishing the 20.703 HMEP Decontamination EX Grant Fund for the Elkhart County Emergency Management Department. (8205)
- c. Consideration and Approval of CC-2026-03: An Ordinance of the Elkhart County Council Establishing the CFEC Placemaking Grant Fund for the Elkhart County Park and Recreation Department. (9179)

2. Encumbrances:

- a. Consideration and Approval of CC-2026-04: An Ordinance of the Elkhart County Council Encumbering 2025 Funds for 2026 Budget Year.

3. Ordinances:

- a. Consideration and Approval of Ordinance CC-2026-05 An Ordinance Amending the 2026 Elkhart County Salary Ordinance.

9. AUDIENCE ITEMS: Members of the public who wish to speak will be provided that opportunity. Persons should sign in. Presentation will be limited to three (3) minutes.

10. ADJOURN: