

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL
2023 Budget - First Reading
October 7th, 2022

1. The Elkhart County Council was called to order by Council President Thomas W. Stump at 8:30 a.m., in Room 104, County Administration Building, 117 N. 2nd St. Goshen, Indiana. Members present were Council President Thomas W. Stump, Council Vice President David L. Hess, Randall D. Yohn, Douglas S. Graham, Darryl J. Riegsecker, and Adam M. Bujalski. Council members absent: Steven E. Clark.

2. Also present were Patricia A. Pickens, Auditor; Tiara Jackson, First Deputy Auditor; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator; Brad Rogers, Commissioner; and Craig Buche County Attorney.

3. First Deputy Auditor Jackson read the advertised Notice to Taxpayers of the 2023 Proposed Budget Estimates each fund for Elkhart County. (Budget Form No.3)

4. First Deputy Auditor Jackson then read the Proposed Budget requests of each Elkhart County Department made before the budget hearings for 2023 for Elkhart County. (Form 4)

5. Auditor Pickens then read the levies and rates as advertised. These are based on the budgets that were submitted to her and advertised. (17-Line Statement)

6. Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to approve all CCPC requests, as recommended by the CCPC member on the CCPC report, except for Items B-4 and G-3. On motion made to approve by Bujalski and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 6 to 0.

1. Item B-4 Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to deny the Planning and Development request of one new full-time position, County Utilities Coordinator and recommends the position be filled as part-time.

On motion made to deny request by Riegsecker and seconded by Bujalski, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 6 to 0 vote.

2. Item G-3 Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to deny the Public Defender's request of one new full-time position, Program Specialist, and recommends the position be files as part-time.

On motion made to deny this request by Riegsecker and seconded by Bujalski, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request.

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7. 2023 Salary Ordinance CC-2022-18 was introduced into the record by Attorney Craig Buche County Attorney.

Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to close 1st Reading of the 2023 Budget.

On motion made to close the 1st Reading of the 2023 Budget by Riegsecker and seconded by Bujalski, the Council unanimously carried and approved to close the 1st Reading of the 2023 Budget with a vote of 6 to 0.

Council President Stump asks for a motion/seconded to recess the meeting, which will reconvene tomorrow morning at 8:00am for the Second Reading/Adoption of the 2023 Budget.

On motion made to recess the meeting at 9:04am and reconvene tomorrow morning at 8:00am for the Second Reading and Adoption of the 2023 Budget by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously carried and approved the request with a vote of 6 to 0.

Cindy Chadwell
Recording Secretary

Secretary's Note: The complete recording of this Budget Reading is available in the Auditor's Office. The recording of this meeting will be available for 1 year then will be erased.

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