

MINUTES  
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL  
2024 Budget - First Reading  
October 18th, 2023

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. 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, Steven E. Clark, and Adam M. Bujalski.

2. Also present were Patricia A. Pickens, Auditor; Tiara Jackson, First Deputy Auditor; Audie Hochstetler Assistant Director of Human Resource and Craig Buche County Attorney.

3. First Deputy Auditor Jackson read the advertised Notice to Taxpayers of the 2024 Proposed Budget Estimates each fund for Elkhart County. (Budget Form No.3)

4. Auditor Pickens then read the levies and rates as advertised (17-Line Statement)

5. Council President Stump asks for a motion /second to approve CCPC request A-6 from August 8, 2023 CCPC meeting. (Reclassification of one Legal Assistant to one Court Referee).

On motion made to approve request by Graham and seconded by Riegsecker. President Stump asks for a roll call vote. The Council votes are as follows: Bujalski-Aye, Clark-Nay, Graham-Aye, Hess-Aye, Riegsecker-Nay, Stump-Aye and Yohn-Aye. With a vote of 5-2 the request was approved.

6. Council President Stump asks for a motion /second to approve CCPC request A-7 from August 8, 2023 CCPC meeting. (Reclassification of one Law Clerk to one Court Referee).

On motion made to approve request by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker. President Stump asks for a roll call vote. The Council votes are as follows: Bujalski-Aye, Clark-Nay, Graham-Aye, Hess-Aye, Riegsecker-Nay, Stump-Aye and Yohn-Aye. With a vote of 5-2 the request was approved.

7. Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to deny CCPC request G-4 from August 8 2023 CCPC meeting (Movig Director of Community Corrections and Case Manager Team Lead funding to General Fund.

On motion made to deny request by Graham and seconded by Riegsecker. President Stump asks for a roll call vote, the Council's votes are follows: Bujalski-Aye, Clark-Aye, Graham-Aye, Hess-Aye, Riegsecker-Aye, Stump-Aye and Yohn-Aye, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request to deny with a 7 to 0 vote.

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8. Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to approve all other CCPC requests as recommended by the CCPC members on the CCPC reports and minutes from August 8,2023 and September 6,2023.

On motion to approve request made by Graham and seconded by Bujalski. President Stump asks for a roll call vote, the Council votes are as follows: Bujalski-Aye, Clark-Aye, Graham-Aye, Hess-Aye, Riegsecker-Aye, Stump-Aye and Yohn-Aye the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 7 to 0.

9. 2024 Salary Ordinance CC-2023-32 was read by title into the record by Craig Buche County Attorney. Buche asks the Council for a motion and second to introduce the 2024 Salary Ordinance CC-2023-32.

On motion made to introduce CC-2023-32 by Graham and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved the introduction of CC-2023-32 2024 Salary Ordinance with a 7 to 0 vote.

10. 2024 Recorders Perpetuation Ordinance CC-2023-30 was read by title into the record by Craig Buche County Attorney. Buche asks the Council for a motion and second to introduce the 2024 Recorders Perpetuation Ordinance CC-2023-30.

On motion made to introduce CC-2023-30 by Graham and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved the introduction of CC-2023-30 2024 Recorder Perpetuation Ordinance with a 7 to 0 vote.

11. Council President Stump asks for a motion/second to close 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the 2024 Budget.

On motion made to close the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the 2024 Budget by Yohn and seconded by Graham, the Council unanimously carried and approved to close the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the 2024 Budget with a vote of 7 to 0.

12. Council President Stump asks for a motion/seconded to recess the meeting, which will reconvene tomorrow afternoon at 4:00 pm for the Second Reading/Adoption of the 2024 Budget.

On motion made to recess the meeting at 8:50 am and reconvene tomorrow afternoon at 4:00pm for the Second Reading and Adoption of the 2024 Budget by Graham and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved the request with a vote of 7 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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