

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
117 N. 2nd St. Room 104, Goshen, In. 46526
January 18th 2024

The meeting of the Elkhart County Council was called to order by Sheriff Jeff Siegel at 4:00 p.m., in Room 104 of the County Administrative Building, Goshen, Indiana. Members present were Council President Thomas W. Stump, Council Vice President David L. Hess, Darryl J. Riegsecker, Randy D. Yohn and Steven E. Clark. Council members Doug S. Graham and Adam M. Bujalski were absent. Also, present were Patricia A. Pickens County Auditor, Tiara Jackson First Deputy Auditor, and Craig Buche, County Attorney.

** This meeting commenced pursuant to public notice under the Indiana open door law. This meeting was made available for the public and press to attend in-person and virtually in remote real-time observation via Web-Ex.

***** ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024*****

**Auditor Patricia A. Pickens assumed the Chair and opened the floor for nominations for Council President.

On motion made by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn to nominate Thomas W. Stump for Council President the Council unanimously carried with a vote of 5 to 0 and approved the nomination of Thomas W. Stump for Council President.

On motion made by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark to close the nominations for Council President, and elect Thomas W. Stump, the Council unanimously carried with a 5 to 0 vote and approved the request to close the nominations and elect Thomas W. Stump as President.

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Newly elected President Thomas W. Stump assumed the chair and asked for nominations for Vice President. On motion made by Riegsecker to nominate David L. Hess for Vice President and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously carried and approved the nomination of David L. Hess for Council Vice President.

On motion to close the nominations made by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark the Council unanimously carried and closed the nominations with a vote of 5 to 0.

On motion made to elect David L. Hess for Council Vice President made by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn. With a vote of 5 to 0 the Council unanimously carried and approved the motion to elect David L. Hess for Council Vice President.

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** Consideration and Approval of 2024 Additional Department Appointments.

On motion made to approve by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved the Additional Department Appointments with a vote of 5 to 0.

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**** Consideration and Approval of 2024 Budget Department Assignments:**

On motion made to approve by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously moved and approved the Budget Department Assignments with a 5 to 0 vote.

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**** Consideration and Approval of the 2024 Finance Meeting Schedule:**

Yohn asked that the August 14th,2024 Finance meeting be moved to August 7th,2024 so the meeting would not be the same week as the Council meeting in case there were changes that needed to be made that would allow for enough time.

On motion made to approve the Finance meeting schedule with the amended date change by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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****Consideration and Approval of the 2024 Elkhart County Council Meeting Schedule:**

On motion made to approve the 2024 Elkhart County Council Meeting Schedule by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.

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****Consideration and Approval of the 2025 Elkhart County Budget Hearing Schedule:**

On motion made to approve by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.

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MINUTES:

(a) Approval of CC Meeting Minutes: December 21st,2023

On motion made to approve December 21st,2023, minutes by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved the minutes with a vote of 5 to 0.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMISSIONERS: None

COUNCIL: None

AUDITOR: - Patricia A. Pickens gave the financial report.

SHERIFF: None

AUDITOR:

Patricia A. Pickens:

(a) For Consideration and Approval of Encumbrance Ordinance CC-2024-01.

On motion made to approve Encumbrance Ordinance CC-2024-01 by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, with a vote of 5 to 0 the Council unanimously carried and approved Ordinance CC-2024-01.

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ELKHART COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITOR CENTER/COMMISSIONERS:

Jon Hunsberger:

- (a) Vibrant Communities Update 2024.

This was postponed to a later date as Mr. Hunsberger had a scheduling conflict.

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COUNCIL APPOINTMENT:

Council:

- (a) Request Consideration and Approval of Re-Appointment of Darryl Riegsecker, Jon Hunsberger and Sara Huss to the Elkhart County Redevelopment Commission. One (1) year term, Expires:12/31/2024.

On motion made to re-appoint Darryl Riegsecker, Jon Hunsberger and Sara Huss to the Elkhart County Redevelopment Commission by Clark and seconded by Hess, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0. (pg. 22,23,34)

- (b) Request Consideration and Approval for Mike Settles and Jerry Weaver for Re-Appointment to the PTABOA. One (1) year term. Expires:12/31/24.

On motion made by Riegsecker to re-appoint Mike Settles and Jerry Weaver to PTABOA and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote. (pg. 25,26)

MIDDLEBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Juli Wald Library Director:

****Public Hearing****

President Stump opened the Public Hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak. Director Juli Wald spoke and explained the need for additional money.

Mary Hesser MPL Board Treasurer also spoke in favor of the Additional Appropriation.

No one else wished to speak. President Stump closed the Public Hearing.

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- (a) Request Consideration and Approval for an Additional Appropriation Resolution CC-2024-05. Request to Appropriate more money that was originally appropriated in the annual budget. \$100,000.00.

On motion to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried with a vote of 5 to 0 and approved the request. (pg. 27)

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION EXPLANATIONS:

A. GENERAL FUND (#1000)

1. Emergency management (137) requested \$9,663.00 for donations account to be appropriated from 2023-2024.

Jennifer Tobey presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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B. GENERAL FUND (#1000)

1. Elkhart County Judiciary (172) requested \$1,312,587.00 to cover the remainder of Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the digitization project. This portion of the project will cover the remainder of the Elkhart Courthouse and all the Goshen Courthouse, the Goshen Public Defender's Building, and the County Administration Building.

Ross Maxwell presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.

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C. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS (#1122)

1. Community Corrections (980) requested \$1,042,083.00 to set up CY2024 Account.

Helen Calvin presented this to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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D. CUMULATIVE BRIDGE (#1135)

1. Elkhart County Highway (212) requested \$15,000.00 for funds to increase bridge repairs from \$100,000.00 to \$115,000.00. These funds are used for deck sealing, crack sealing, general maintenance, and repairs of County bridges. The increase in the budget was submitted in the 2024 budget; but was left out by mistake. It was discussed at budget hearings that this would be corrected with an additional appropriation in January.

Charlie McKenzie presented this to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Hess and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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E. CUMULATIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (#1138)

1. Commissioners (130) requested \$12,000.00 that are proceeds from the Auction of the Sheriff's Department items at last fall's County Auction. The proceeds are to be used for upfitting new squad cars.

Sheriff Siegal presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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F. CUMULATIVE DRAINAGE (#1141)

1. Surveyor (980) requested \$550,000.00 for maintenance and/or reconstruction and obstruction removal projects on County Regulated Drains projects on County Regulated Drains.

Steve Schweisberger presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Hess and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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G. CUMULATIVE VOTING SYSTEM (#1143)

1. Voter's Registration (191) \$176,629.00 per request of the Council request moving all Voter's Registration positions back to Voter's Registration /Election Board Fund for 2024.

Auditor Patricia Pickens presented this request to the Council.

On motion made by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved the request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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H. DRUG FREE COMMUNITY (#1148)

1. Commissioners requested \$254,012.00 for annual allocations to area agencies who have submitted qualified applications for programs which will further Elkhart County's Drug Free Partnership goals to negate alcohol and other drug use and /or abuse. Elkhart County Sheriff's Office (\$50,633.00), Goshen Police Department (42,803), Positively Elkhart County (65,400.00). Addiction Recovery Centers (49,400) Center for Problem Resolution (12,279.00), SPA (20,000.00) Life Treatment Centers (\$14,400.00).

Sheriff Jeff Siegel presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Clark and seconded by Hess, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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I. LEPC (#1152)

1. Emergency Management (980) requested \$74,154.92 to appropriate the 2024 LEPC Budget.

Jennifer Tobey presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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J. CHN (#1159)

1. Health (982) requested \$6,415.00 to appropriate donations for 2024.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion made by to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Clark the Council unanimously approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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K. CHN- LOBLEY (#1159)

1. Health Department (983) requested \$4,878.00 to appropriate donations for 2024.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion made by to approve made by Riegsecker and seconded by Hess the Council unanimously approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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L. LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES (#1161)

1. Health Department (980) requested \$2,498,456.00 for 2024 funding to support the Health Department's ability to provide core Public Health Services.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion made by to approve made by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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M. MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY-RESTRICTED (#1173)

1. Highway (980) requested \$1,000,000.00 for funds for paving, construction, and associated costs.

Charlie McKenzie presented this request to the Council.

On motion made by to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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N. MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY (#1176)

1. Highway (980) requested \$3,812,640.00 that was submitted during the budget process but was missed per Tiara.

Charlie McKenzie presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved the request.

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O. PARK & RECREATION NON-REVERTING CAPITAL (#1178)

1. Park & Recreation (980) requested \$135,000.00 general park construction, building essentials and maintenance projects including shelter

and building repairs, lumber/gravel, landscaping, and entry signs. \$10,000.00 of the request is to be used for heating and cooling maintenance and other building essentials at the museum.

Ronda DeCaire presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.

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P. RECORDER PERPETUATION (#1189)

1. Recorder (104) requested \$147,544.00 per request by Council to move Elected Officials and First/Chief Deputy to the Recorder's Perpetuation Fund for 2024. Benefits will continue to be paid by the Commissioners for 2024. Also added \$1,000.00 to the First/Chief Deputy line for longevity pay. Per Commissioner's policy changes Elected Officials time in office count towards years of service for longevity pay, when/if they return to a non-elected position.

Auditor Patricia Pickens presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.

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Q. SHERIFF DONATIONS (#4101)

1. Sheriff (105) requested 22,000.00 to appropriate money received from donations for the Sheriff's Office for calendar year 2024. Money will be spent mostly for the K9 and the Shop with the Sheriff programs.

Sheriff Jeff Siegel presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.

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R. MIDDLEBURY SE TIF (#4509)

1. Planning & Development (980) requested \$300,000.00 for funds for Water Tower #1 Construction: Construction of water & affected utility.

Mae Kratzer presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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S. MIDDLEBURY SE TIF (#4509)

1. Planning & Development (980) requested \$69,000.00 for the SR 13 utility engineering for watermain & affected utility.

Mae Kratzer presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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T. MIDDLEBURY EAST TIF (#4510)

1. Planning & Development (980) requested \$480,000.00 for Water Tower #1 Construction: construction of water tower & affected utility.

Mae Kratzer presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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U. MIDDLEBURY EAST TIF (#4510)

1. Planning & Development (980) requested \$500,000.00 to be appropriated for

Middlebury to improve Warren Street as an eastern Gateway into the town, including transportation utility improvements.

Mae Kratzer presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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V. CR 6 & CR17 NE TIF (#4511)

1. Planning & Development (980) requested \$1,550,000.00 for the PCR 3A-Berry St. Water Utility Project to open water access to 30+ homes.

Natasha Kauffmann presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Hess and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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W. ROAD MAINTENANCE & CONSTRUCTION (#4901)

1. Highway (980) requested &1,000,000.00 for funds for paving, construction and associated costs.

Charlie McKenzie presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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X. PARK & RECREATION DONATIONS -DEFRIES GARDEN (#4909)

1. Park & Recreation (980) requested \$74,577.60 due to the Park Board requesting this appropriation to set up the accounting from the Elkhart

County Community Foundation Defries Garden Endowment for the payroll and the continuing maintenance and development of the Defries Gardens at the River Preserve County Park for 2024.

Ronda DeCaire presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Hess, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0. (pg. 52)

Y. PARK & RECREATION DONATIONS (#4909)

1. Park & Recreation (980) requested \$275,000.00 to be appropriated for designated park donations for shelter for Corson County Parks, special events, programs, and projects.

Ronda DeCaire presented this request to the Council.

On motion made by Clark and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0. (pg. 53)

Z. WIC (#8101)

1. Health Department (982) requested \$3,401.00 to appropriate donated funds for 2024.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion made by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker to approve the appropriation, the Council unanimously carried and approved the request with a 5 to 0 vote. (pg. 54)

AA. 2019 MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE (#8165)

1. Emergency Management (#8165) requested \$19,457.00 for the Mitigation Plan Update that is required every 3-5 years depending on grant funding availability. \$835.00 of donated funds to be appropriated for 2024.

Jennifer Tobey presented this request to the Council

On motion made by Hess to approve and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0. (pg. 55)

BB. DENTAL PROGRAM INCOME (#8178)

1. Health (614) requested \$537,732.00 to appropriate funds for the Dental Program for 2024.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Hess and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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CC. DENTAL PROGRAM INCOME (#8178)

1. Health (982) requested \$1,206.00 to appropriate donated funds for 2024.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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DD. 21.027 READI CORSON RIVERWOODS (#8191)

1. Park & Recreation (980) requested \$153,035.00 be appropriated in Fund #8191 for the Development of Corson Riverwoods County Park and the Pollinator Playpath.

Ronda DeCaire presented this request to the Council.

On motion made to approve by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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EE. FY23 SHSP CYBERSECURITY (#8192)

1. Emergency Management (980) requested \$81,908.50 to appropriate IDHS 100% reimbursable grant for cybersecurity, IT, Auditor and EMA all worked together to get this award.

Jennifer Tobey presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.
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FF. CARES EPIDEMIOLOGY (#8904)

1. Health Department (980) requested \$1,516.00 to pay for Adult and Youth Mental Health First Aid Manuals.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Hess and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.
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GG. HEALTHY BABIES HOSPITAL'S PCCS (#9122)

1. Health Department (980) requested \$31,000.00 to set up 2024 budget to provide services to eligible pregnant women as part of My Healthy Baby Initiative.

Melanie Sizemore presented this to the Council.

On motion made to approve made by Hess and seconded by Clark the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.
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HH. HEALTHY BABIES HOSPITAL'S PCCS (#9122)

1. Health Department (#980) requested \$920.00 to appropriate donated funds for 2024.

Melanie Sizemore presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Hess and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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II. PROBLEM SOLVING COURT GRANT (#9135)

1. Elkhart County Judiciary (982) requested \$81,473.00 for a grant renewal and the 2024 Grant Set-up. We were awarded a new position in the grant this year. This grant will pay for the majority of the salary and benefits. Ross Maxwell added that they may have to supplement some of the benefits with Adult Probation User Fees or Problem-Solving Court fees.

Ross Maxwell presented this to the Council.

On motion made to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a 5 to 0 vote.
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JJ. COURT INTERPRETER GRANT (#9142)

1. Elkhart County Judiciary (980) requested \$20,000.00 to set-up the 2024 grant. These funds assist paying for Court interpreters.

Ross Maxwell presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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KK. JPAR RESPONSE GRANT (#9146)

1. Elkhart County Judiciary (980) requested \$60,000.00 be appropriated for a grant renewal for 2024. This is a grant set-up for 2024 and this covers a portion of the salary of one probation officer position that is assigned to the drug court and pre-trial services.

Ross Maxwell presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Hess and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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LL. PRETRIAL SERVICES GRANT (#9152)

1. Elkhart County Judiciary (980) requested \$60,000.00 to appropriate for Pretrial Services Grant Award from the Indiana Office of Court Services. This is the third year we have received this grant. Ross Maxwell stated they will need to supplement some fringe benefits from the Adult Supplemental Probation User Fee Fund.

Ross Maxwell presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Clark and seconded by Hess, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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MM. PCR ADAMS ST. COMMUNITY FUND (#9154)

1. Planning & Development (980) requested \$75,000.00 for PCR Water: Funds for owner-occupied water connections from Community Foundation and Osolo Twp.

Natasha Kauffmann presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Hess and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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NN. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT (#9154)

1. Community Corrections (980) requested \$1,305,623.00 to set up CY2024 Account.

Helen Calvin presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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OO. STATE JAIL TREATMENT HEA (#9158)

1. Sheriff's Office (105) requested \$230,199.00 to appropriate the HEA Jail Treatment Grant for 2024. This grant was approved by the Commissioners.

Sheriff Jeff Siegel presented this to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Clark and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.

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PP. STATE PROBATION HEA (#9159)

1. Elkhart County Judiciary (980) requested \$131,250.00 for a grant renewal for CY2024. The grant funds the majority of three probation officer positions and is unchanged from previous years.

Ross Maxwell presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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QQ. COURT RECIDIVISM REDUCTION (#9163)

1. Elkhart County Judiciary (980) requested \$61,828.00 for a grant renewal for CY2024. This grant funds most of the Drug Court Coordinator position and is unchanged from previous years.

Ross Maxwell presented this request to the Council.

On motion to approve made by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request with a vote of 5 to 0.
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Total Appropriations: \$18,152,438.02

TRANSFER REQUESTS NOT REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION:
(Available in the Auditor's office)

OTHER BUSINESS:

Craig Buche:

1. Grant Ordinances:

- (a) Consideration and Approval of CC-2024-02 An Ordinance of the Elkhart County Council Establishing the 21.027 2021 SWIF Grant Fund for the Elkhart County Commissioners.

On motion to approve made by Riegsecker and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved Ordinance CC-2024-02 with a 5 to 0 vote.
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- (b) Consideration and Approval of CC-2024-03 An Ordinance of the Elkhart County Council Establishing the Juvenile Community Alternative Grant Fund for the Elkhart County Court Services Department.

On motion to approve made by Yohn and seconded by Clark, the Council unanimously carried and approved Ordinance CC-2024-03 with a 6 to 0 vote.
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- (c) Consideration and Approval of CC-2024-04 An Ordinance of the Elkhart County Council Establishing the Juvenile Diversion JDCA Grant for the Elkhart County Court Services Department Between Elkhart County Court Services Department.

On motion to approve made by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously carried and approved Ordinance CC-2024-04 with a 5 to 0 vote.
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2. Semi-Annual Review of Major Moves Loans:

Craig Buche gave the semi-annual review of the loans to the Council. He stated that 2 of the Major Moves Loans were paid off in 2023 and closed out, the Major Bridge Loan and the Loan from the Landfill to the Election Board.

- (a) Bristol Loan- Road Project Loan Scheduled to be paid off in 2026.
- (b) 911 Center Loan- Scheduled to be paid off in 2031.
- (c) Middlebury Elroy TIF Loan- Scheduled to be paid off in 2031.
- (d) Middlebury Southeast TIF Loan- Scheduled to be paid off in 2031.
- (e) CR37/CR17 Loan-Loan was amended and scheduled to be paid off in 2039.

Buche reports that in 2022 the Council voted to raise the interest rates to 3.5%, Bushe asked the Council if they wanted to make any changes to the loans including the interest rates at this percent or raise it. Clark stated he wanted to leave the interest rate where it is currently. President Stump stated, "Let the record show the Council has reviewed these loans and agreed to have no changes at this time." (pg. 14)

Clark asked if the Council needs to action on the proposed Library Board Appointment Policy? After discussion with County Attorney Craig Buche to bring the policy back to the Council in the form of a Resolution next month. Clark makes motion to bring back the policy in the form of a Resolution next month seconded by Riegsecker and the Council unanimously agreed 5 to 0. (pg. 14)

3. Request Consideration and Approval of Landfill Gas Purchase Agreement. Buche reports that they are still working on it and suggest this be tabled.

On motion to table Landfill Gas Purchase Agreement be tabled by Yohn and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved the request with a vote of 5 to 0. (pg. 14)

AUDIENCE ITEMS:

There was no Audience member that wanted to speak.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, on motion to adjourn made by Clark seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved the adjournment of the meeting at 5:15pm.

Cindy Chadwell
Recording Secretary

A complete recording of this meeting is available in the Auditor's Office. The recording of this meeting will be available for one year and then erased.