

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL
December 9th, 2017

The meeting of the Elkhart County Council was called to order by Sheriff Brad Rogers at 8 a.m., in Room 104 of the County Administrative Building, Goshen, Indiana. Members present were President John K. Letherman, Vice President David L. Hess, David E. Foutz, Randall D. Yohn, Tina M. Wenger, Darryl J. Riegsecker and Thomas W. Stump.

Also present were Pauline Graff, County Auditor; Craig Buche, County Attorney; Mike Yoder, County Commissioner and Tom Byers, County Administrator.

MINUTES: Approval of minutes for November 11, 2017.

On motion made by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn, the Council unanimously approved the minutes and they were added. (page 492)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMISSIONERS:

COUNCIL:

Wenger appointment updates
Hess congratulated medical department and commented on bond process
Letherman congratulated Nafziger and gave well wishes

SHERIFF:

AUDITOR:

Pauline Graff commented on great progress from last year and is optimistic about 2018. Letherman thanked the department heads for help with finances.

**** Nomination of Keith Schwartz to the Nappanee Public Library Board****

On motion made by Stump and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved this nomination. (page 493)

**** Nomination of Sandy Wingard to the Wakarusa Public Library Board ****

On motion made by Foutz and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved this nomination. (page 494)

EDC MATTERS:

HUMAN RESOURCE MATTERS:

A. Prosecutor

1. County IV-D Incentive (8895-980): Review of positions within fund.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the CCPC approved the positions , 2-0.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request. (page 495)

B. Clerk

1. Clerk's IV-D Incentive (8899-980): Review of position within fund.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the CCPC approved the positions , 2-0.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request. (page 495)

C. Health Department

1. Local Health Maintenance Fund (1168-980): Review of position within grant.
2. Local Health Maintenance Trust (1206-980): Review of position within grant.
3. MCH Program Income (8127-614): Review of positions within fund.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the CCPC approved the positions in requests 1-3 , 2-0.

On motion made Foutz and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved requests 1-3. (page 495)

D. Auditor

1. Auditor's Plat Book (1181-980): Review of position within fund.
2. Auditor's Ineligible Deduction Fund (1216-980): Review of position within fund.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the CCPC approved the positions in requests 1-2 , 2-0.

On motion made by Wenger and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved requests 1 and 2. (page 495)

E. Surveyor

1. General Fund (1000-106-41115) and Storm Water MS4 (1197-106-41115): Request reclassification of Survey Assistant (Biller), PG5/JF3, \$18.44, to Manager Administration, PG7/JF6, \$22.71/hr (after PIP), effective 12-10-17. Increased portion of salary will be paid from MS4. (page 496)
2. Storm Water MS4 (1197-106-41115): Request reclassification of MS4 Supervisor (Heiliger), PG7/JF5, \$22.00/hr to MS4 Supervisor/Operator, PG7/JF6, exempt, \$1923.54 bi-weekly (after PIP), effective 12-10-17. (page 497)

Impact to General Fund: No impact to General Fund

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the CCPC approved the positions in requests 1-2 , 2-0.

On motion made by Stump and seconded by Riegsecker, the Council unanimously carried and approved requests 1 and 2.

F. Highway

1. Highway (1176-202-41125): Request new Engineering Tech II position (draftsman), PG5/JF3, MP, effective 12-10-17. Position will not be part of career development.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the CCPC approved the request , 2-0.

On motion made by Stump and seconded by Wenger, the Council unanimously carried and approved this request. (page 498)

2. Discussion on road construction issues.

G. Highway (Added 11-30-17)

1. Highway (1176-202-41210): Request to increase part time protective service rate to \$50.00/hr, to accommodate payment of time and a half, when necessary, for off-duty Elkhart County Sheriff

patrol officers working for Highway to enforce road closure signs,
etc. Effective retroactively to 11-30-17. (page 499)

See email dated 11-30-17 from Carol Caviness.

On motion made by Stump and seconded by Wenger, the Council
unanimously carried and approved this request.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS

None

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION EXPLANATIONS:

None

REDUCTIONS:

None

TRANSFER REQUESTS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION

A. GENERAL FUND (1000)

1. Auditor (102)

From	43120 Postage	9,500.00
To	41105 Deputies	5,200.00
	41115 Supervisors/ Admin	4,300.00

2. Sheriff (105)

From	41130 Protective Services	110,750.00
To	43640 Rent Data Processing	99,400.00
	43050 Data Processing	4,600.00
	43800 Dues	6,750.00

3. Coroner (107)

From	43080 Autopsies	7,500.00
To	44510 Other Equipment	7,500.00

4. Coroner (107)

From	43090 Other Professional Services	3,000.00
	41235 Per Diem County	
To	Employees	3,000.00

5. Coroner (107)

From	43110 Sustenance & Other Travel	219.00
To	42380 Capital Supply Items	219.00

6. Veterans' Services (134)

From	43110 Sustenance & Other Travel	450.00
	43120 Postage	1,300.00
	43130 Mileage	230.00
To	42195 Other Operating Supplies	1,980.00

7. Emergency Management (137)

From	42195 Operating Supplies	500.00
	43800 Dues	175.00
To	41140 Office & Clerical	675.00

8. Buildings and Grounds (140)

From	41150 Service Maint. Worker	30,000.00
	41230 Service Maint. Part Time	800.00
	41145 Skilled Craft Workers	2,000.00
	43570 Laundry, Cleaning,	
To	Custodian	7,000.00
	42270 Other Repairs & Maint.	
	Parts	9,200.00
	42195 Operating Supplies	16,600.00

9. Human Resources (142)

From	42320 Training Materials	400.00
To	41165 Excess Hours	200.00
	41220 Office & Clerical	200.00

10. Elkhart Superior Court No. 1 (162)

From	43090 Other Professional Services	1,100.00
To	42380 Capital Supply Items	1,100.00

11. Superior Court No. 5 (166)

From	43090 Professional Services	1,266.00
To	43110 Sustenance & Other Travel	1,266.00

12. Title IV-D (171)

From	43510 Maint/Service Contract	509.00
To	46200 Equipment Lease	509.00

13. Public Defender (175)

From	43310 Liability Insurance	10,900.00
To	44535 Data Processing Supplies	10,900.00

B. CLERK'S RECORDS PERPETUATION (1119)

1. Clerk (980)

From	44535 Data Processing Supplies	9,126.00
To	41220 Part Time Office Clerical	3,618.00
	41300 Social Security	225.00
	41305 Medicare	53.00
	42090 Office Supplies	5,230.00

C. CUMULATIVE BRIDGE (1135)

	1. Highway (212)	
	From 42220 Culverts	22,300.00
	To 41120 FT Professionals	22,300.00
D. CUMULATIVE VOTING SYSTEM (1143)		
	1. Election Board (190)	
	From 43090 Other Professional Services	14,650.00
	43510 Service Contract	2,350.00
	To 44535 Data Processing Supplies	17,000.00
E. COUNTY HEALTH OPERATING (1159)		
	1. Health Department (340)	
	From 43140 Telephone	1,050.00
	To 44545 Other Equipment	1,050.00
	2. Health Department (340)	
	From 43140 Telephone	499.00
	To 44545 Other Equipment	499.00
	3. Health Department (1159)	
	From 43110 Sustenance & Other Travel	512.00
	To 42380 Capital Supply Items	512.00
	4. Health Department (1159)	
	From 43110 Sustenance & Other Travel	229.00
	43130 Travel	690.00
	43050 Computer Services	1,125.00
	43835 Training Programs	225.00
	43800 Dues	50.00
	42010 Printed Forms	179.00
	42030 Copy Supplies	189.00
	To 44535 Data Processing Supplies	2,687.00
	5. Health Department (340)	
	From 43140 Telephone	1,085.00
	To 44535 Data Processing Supplies	1,085.00
F. COUNTY HIGHWAY OPERATING (1176)		
	1. Highway (204)	
	From 43610 Rent Equipment	2,050.00
	To 44510 Other Equipment	2,050.00
G. PARK AND RECREATION (1219)		
	1. Park and Recreation Operating (320)	
	From 41115 Supervisors/ Admin	40,000.00
	41130 Protective Services	8,000.00
	41150 Service Maint. Worker	45,000.00
	To 44400 Machinery & Equipment	48,000.00

	43500 Building Repairs	45,000.00
H. SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT PROBATION SERVICES (2100)		
	1. Court Services (980)	
	From 43040 Laboratory Service	15,000.00
	To 42180 Medical Supplies	15,000.00
I. WOMEN, INFANT & CHILD GRANT (WIC) (8101)		
	1. County Health Operating (612)	
	From 41140 Office & Clerical	5,918.00
	43110 Sustenance & Other Travel	308.00
	To 41120 Professional	2,877.00
	41135 Paraprofessional	3,041.00
	42160 Clothing	77.00
	42195 Operating Supplies	231.00
J. PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS GRANT (8119)		
	1. County Health Operating (980)	
	From 42090 Office Supplies	359.00
	To 43830 Tuition	50.00
	43110 Sustenance & Other Travel	309.00

On motion made by Wenger and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved all transfer requests A-J. (page 500)

OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Approval of the reappointment of Jerry Weaver and Mike Settles to the Elkhart County Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals. One (1) year term, expires 12/31/2018.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved these reappointments.

- (b) Approval of the reappointment of David Foutz, Mike Huber and Jim Skillen to the Redevelopment Commission. One (1) year term, expires 12/31/2018.

On motion made by Stump and seconded by Yohn, the Council approved the reappointments 6:1 with Foutz abstaining.

- (c) Review and approval of Loan Resolutions for existing Major Moves and new amortization schedule for EDIT Fund.

Craig Buche explained this to the Council and how this is simply a review of the Loan Resolutions and no changes would be made at this time with the Council's approval.

On motion made by Hess and seconded by Stump, the Council unanimously carried and approved to continue these Loan Resolutions as presented.

AUDIENCE ITEMS

Babbette Slaughter shared story of woman and late husband who helped build bridge along proposed CR 8 multi-use path and suggested to avoid demolition of bridge and instead name the bridge. Slaughter suggested a memorial to boost morale in the area and be funded by residents. Letherman encouraged Slaughter to write a formal request/letter to the Council with her ideas regarding the bridge.

Rhoda Bauer supported Slaughter's idea of memorializing the bridge and shared his disinterest in the Quaker Trace multi-use path.

Dennis Kline also expressed support of memorializing bridge and his disinterest in the Quaker Trace multi-use path.

Melissa Kauffman questioned the status of the radios debacle and Sheriff Rogers responded by saying that there is a criminal investigation regarding the scam against the County. She also urged the Council to reconsider the multi-use path and commented that the words of the Commissioners may not fully depict the views of the CR 8 residents.

Teresa Hartman reiterated the comment that CR 8 is too busy of a road and is unsafe for a multi-use path. She also questioned who would maintain the path once built. She doesn't feel that this path would be a reason for people to move to this county. Hartman also mentioned that wages for Elkhart County employees would be a better use of the money. Letherman responded by saying that there is significant bicycle traffic that calls the need for a bike path on that road. He also brought up that residents were not in favor of a prior project but now greatly benefit and are grateful of the acquisition to the County and he feels that this project may be similar.

Glenn Null brought up the subject on loans/bonds through Elkhart County. He also reiterated his opinions on the CR 8 path.

Tom Stump mentioned that he believes that both the city and county parks departments are doing an excellent job on the maintenance of the existing paths. John Letherman said that the way that people of different ages most likely view this CR 8 multi-use pathway very differently.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 am on motion made by Riegsecker and seconded by Yohn and unanimously approved.

Cassie Seminario
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.