

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY INDIANA
DECEMBER 11, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

The Huntington County Council met in regular session on the 11th day of December, in the G.A.R. Room, at the Huntington County Courthouse, Huntington, Indiana, at 7:00 P.M. for considering all business brought before it pursuant to notice given to the Huntington Herald-Press on November 29, 2023.

Council Members Present: Kendall Mickley, Terry Miller, Shane Bickel, Keith Eller, John Stoeckley, and Brian Warpup. Absent: Peyton (Pike) Miller.

Council President Kendall Mickley called the meeting to order. Keith Eller gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1: President Kendall Mickley asked for approval of the County Council minutes from the November 20, 2023 meeting. John Stoeckley made a motion to approve the minutes. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 2: Surveyor Jerry Meehan requested a transfer of \$1000.00 from the department's General Fund budget line 1000.44100.00000.0006 - Equipment to 1000.21100.00000.0006 - Office Supplies.

Terry Miller motioned to approve the transfer. Brian Warpup seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 3: Council President Kendall Mickley presented a request on behalf of Sheriff Chris Newton for the following transfers in the Jail's County General budget lines:

FROM:	1000.33515.00000.0380 Hospital & Medical	\$	2,391.04
TO:	1000.36101.00000.0380 Repair/Maintenance	\$	2,391.04
FROM:	1000.11330.00000.0380 Special Deputies	\$	685.53
TO:	1000.12600.00000.0380 Holiday Pay	\$	685.53
FROM:	1000.33515.00000.0380 Hospital & Medical	\$	26,881.39
TO:	1000.21100.00000.0380 Office Supplies	\$	0.90
	1000.22300.00000.0380 Uniform Allowance	\$	4,613.64
	1000.33520.00000.0380 Meals for Inmates	\$	14,571.81
	1000.36101.00000.0380 Repair/Maintenance	\$	7,695.04

Shane Bickel motioned to approve the transfers. John Stoeckley seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 4: The Commissioners are requesting an Appropriation of \$278,976.00 in the LIT EMS budget line 1236.38000.00000.0000 Emergency Operations, for 2023 Parkview EMS Services.

John Stoeckley motioned to approve the Appropriation. Terry Miller seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 5: Public Health Administrator Brian Trueblood discussed the previously requested change for the Health department's current Health Clerk/Registrar (11250) to Registrar/Environmental Health Sanitarian (11262) effective for the first pay date of 2024 which is January 12, 2024 (for the pay period December 24 thru January 6, 2024). The amended position will be NON-EXEMPT, and paid from Fund 1159 with a MAX rate of \$23.00 per hour. As presented at the November 20, 2023 Council Meeting, the employee working in this position would acquire special certifications and would be responsible for helping out with the inspection process and also the new Fatality Review Committees that were recently formed; as well as submitting the necessary reporting to the State.

Auditor Jill Landrum discussed the need to update the 2024 Wage & Salary Ordinance with the Community Corrections department.

ITEM 6: Shane Bickel made a motion to open the 2024 Wage & Salary Ordinance. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 7: Brian Warpup made a motion to change the current Health Department Clerk/Registrar (11250) to Registrar/Environmental Health Sanitarian (11262), effective for the first pay date of 2024 which is January 12, 2024 (for the pay period December 24 thru January 6, 2024). The amended position will be NON-EXEMPT, and paid from Fund 1159 with a MAX rate of \$23.00 per hour. John Stoeckley seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 19: Council moved Item 19 forward on the agenda to consider the Encumbrance submitted by Public Health Administrator Brian Trueblood. The Encumbrance was for the fiscal year Grant Fund 8118 - PHEP in the amount of \$145 for budget line 8118.36000.00000.0000 - Rent. Terry Miller made a motion to approve the Encumbrance and Shane Bickel seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 8: Terry Miller made a motion to add the Community Corrections department to the 2024 Wage & Salary Ordinance, as presented by Auditor Jill Landrum. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 9: Terry Miller made a motion to close the 2024 Wage & Salary Ordinance. Brian Warpup seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 10: DCD Director Kim Hostetler requested a transfer of \$212.27 in the department's County General budget, as follows:

FROM:	1000.31115.00000.0079 Stormwater	\$	212.27
TO:	1000.39500.00000.0079 Subscription & Dues	\$	212.27

Keith Eller motioned to approve the transfer. Brian Warpup seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 11: LACE Director Jan Williams provided the annual recommendations for awards of LACE money totaling \$43,300.88. These funds are assessed by Superior Court for drug and alcohol fees, and then divided evenly between Administrative, Law Enforcement, Treatment, and Prevention categories.

Jan also invited the Council members to attend the annual Christmas Open House at the Youth Services Bureau on December 13, 2023 at 11am - 1pm.

ITEM 12: EMA Director Robert Jeffers and Deputy Director Thomas Fuller appeared to request transfers totaling \$1000.00 in the department's General Fund budget, as follows:

FROM:	1000.36101.00000.0302 Repair/Maintenance	\$	859.00
	1000.36110.00000.0302 Siren Repair	\$	141.00
TO:	1000.35120.00000.0302 Vehicle-Repair/Service	\$	1,000.00

Keith Eller motioned to approve the transfers. John Stoeckley seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

Robert also announced that he recently received notice that the County was awarded the EMPG grant for Salary reimbursement, totaling \$41,694.00.

ITEM 13: Auditor Jill Landrum presented a request for Jim Michel for a transfer of \$133.42 from the Weights & Measures' General Fund budget line 1000.32500.00000.0308 - Travel Expenses to 1000.33600.00000.0308 - Mileage.

Brian Warpup motioned to approve the transfer. Terry Miller seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 14: Facility Manager Greg Ricker requested Transfers of Appropriation in the Courthouse General Fund budget, as follow:

FROM:	1000.23101.00000.0161 Misc. Repair Supplies	\$	170.00
TO:	1000.21402.00000.0161 Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	170.00
FROM:	1000.36200.00000.0161 Service Contracts	\$	15,000.00
TO:	1000.35100.00000.0161 Utilities	\$	15,000.00

Keith Eller motioned to approve the transfers. John Stoeckley seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 15: IT Director Joakim Abrahamsson requested a transfer of \$1,200.00 in the department's General Fund budget, as follows:

FROM:	1000.36205.00000.0106 Software Maint Contract	\$	1,200.00
TO:	1000.36201.00000.0106 Hardware Maint Contract	\$	1,200.00

Shane Bickel motioned to approve the transfer. Terry Miller seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 16: Troy Hostetler, Highway Superintendent, requested Transfers of Appropriations in the MVH Fund 1176, as follows:

FROM:	1176.21402.00000.0533 Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	2,393.97
TO:	1176.27520.00000.0531 Sign/Posts	\$	2,393.97
FROM:	1176.32500.00000.0530 Travel Exp	\$	173.00
TO:	1176.32300.00000.0530 Telephone	\$	173.00
FROM:	1176.21402.00000.0533 Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	1,162.18
TO:	1176.34510.00000.0533 Unemployment	\$	1,162.18
FROM:	1176.21402.00000.0533 Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	200.00
TO:	1176.22300.00000.0533 Uniforms	\$	200.00

FROM:	1176.21402.00000.0533	Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	1,195.00
TO:	1176.36205.00000.0530	Software Maint	\$	1,195.00
FROM:	1176.21402.00000.0533	Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	8,740.00
TO:	1176.12100.00000.0533	Social Security	\$	8,740.00
FROM:	1176.21402.00000.0533	Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	17,710.00
TO:	1176.12200.00000.0533	PERF	\$	17,710.00
FROM:	1176.21402.00000.0533	Garage & Motor Supplies	\$	12,858.62
TO:	1176.34300.00000.0533	Workers Comp	\$	12,858.62

Shane Bickel motioned to approve the transfers. John Stoeckley seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

- ITEM 17: Auditor Jill Landrum presented a request on behalf of Superior Court Judge Jennifer Newton & Drug Court Coordinator Erin Wiley for Transfers of Appropriation totaling \$781.55 for Fund 9677 - 2023 Problem Solving Grant, as follows:

FROM:	9677.32500.00000.0000	Travel Expense	\$	781.55
TO:	9677.24500.00000.0000	Operating Supplies	\$	281.55
	9677.22600.00000.0000	Incentives	\$	500.00

Brian Warpup motioned to approve the transfers. Terry Miller seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

- ITEM 18: Auditor Landrum also presented a request on behalf of Judge Newton & Drug Court Coordinator Erin Wiley for Transfers of Appropriation totaling \$12,400.00 for Fund 9605 - Drug Court Grant, as follows:

FROM:	9605.32500.00000.9611	Travel Expense	\$	12,000.00
	9605.32301.00000.9611	Cellphones	\$	400.00
TO:	9605.21100.00000.9611	Office Supplies	\$	4,000.00
	9605.24500.00000.9611	Operating Supplies	\$	2,400.00
	9605.22600.00000.9611	Incentives	\$	4,000.00
	9605.39800.00000.9611	Misc. Service Charges	\$	2,000.00

Terry Miller motioned to approve the transfers. Brian Warpup seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

- ITEM 19: The ENCUMBRANCE for Council Approval was moved up on the meeting agenda between Items 7 & 8.

- ITEM 20: Auditor Jill Landrum requested Council's permission for Blanket Transfers to keep accounts out of the red at the end of the year.

Terry Miller made a motion approve the Blanket Transfers. Brian Warpup seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 21: NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Auditor Jill Landrum mentioned that she sent out an e-mail regarding the EMS LIT for 2024, and that an Additional Appropriation would be presented in January 2024 to cover the full amount of Certified EMS LIT to be paid to Parkview Hospital.

ITEM 22: REPORTS & ORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES:

COMMUNITY CORRECTION COMMITTEE - Terry Miller & Brian Warpup; Terry Miller provided an update on the Community Corrections program.

SOLID WASTE - Peyton (Pike) Miller - Absent

3-A REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT - John Stoeckley - nothing to report.

JOB CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE - Keith Eller, John Stoeckley, & Brian Warpup - No meeting

LOCAL ANTI-DRUG COALITION EFFORT (L.A.C.E.)/EARLY INTERVENTION TEAM - Shane Bickel - Awards announced by Jan Williams.

LIME CITY DEVELOPMENT - Terry Miller reported that the last meeting was held at Our Sunday Visitor. He also mentioned that there was approximately \$64 million in Economic Development for the year.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Keith Eller - No meeting until next year.

PLAN COMMISSION - Terry Miller indicated that the next meeting will be Wednesday, December 13, 2023.

C.E.D.I.T. ADVISORY - Peyton (Pike) Miller - Absent

HCUED - Kendall Mickley reported that the next meeting will be Tuesday, December 12, 2023.

ABCD (Above & Beyond the Call of Duty) - Keith Eller indicated that the recipient of the 2023 award has been selected and will be announced at the employee holiday luncheon on Wednesday, December 20th.

TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW - John Stoeckley - No meeting

WHARMM - Peyton (Pike) Miller - Absent

COMMISSIONERS HEALTH INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Keith Eller - Nothing new to report.

EMS ADVISORY COUNCIL - Peyton (Pike) Miller - Absent


HCPSD COMMITTEE - Kendall Mickley - Nothing to report

INTERNAL CONTROLS COMMITTEE - Kendall Mickley & Jill Landrum - No meeting

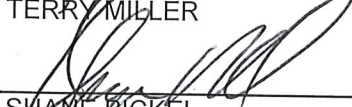
REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (RDC) - Terry Miller & John Stoeckley - No meeting

ITEM 23: Keith Eller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Stoeckley seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ADOPTED THIS 22nd DAY OF JANUARY 2024:


KENDALL MICKLEY


TERRY MILLER

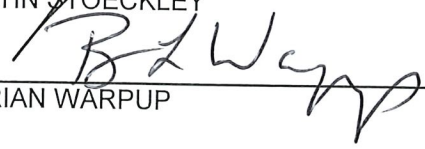

SHANE BICKEL

Absent 12-11-2023

PEYTON (PIKE) MILLER


KEITH ELLER


JOHN STOECKLEY


BRIAN WARPUP

ATTEST:


JILL M. LANDRUM, AUDITOR