

REGULAR SESSION & BUDGET HEARINGS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA
AUGUST 16th & 17th, 2021

The Huntington County Council met in regular session & budget hearings on the 16th and 17th day of August 2021, in the G.A.R. Room, at the Huntington County Courthouse, Huntington, Indiana, at 6:00 P.M. for considering all business brought before it pursuant to notice given to the Huntington Herald Press on August 4, 2021, and notice posted in the Gateway website on August 6, 2021.

Council Members present: Kendall Mickley, Terry Miller, Peyton Pike, Kittie Keiffer, Shane Bickel and Keith Eller. One council seat was vacant at the time of the meetings.

Keith Eller opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1: Kittie Keiffer made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2021, Council meeting. Peyton Pike seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 2: Sheriff Chris Newton requested a transfer of \$10,000.00 from the Jail's 1000.32080.000.0380 Housing of Prisoners to 1000.12000.000.0380 Overtime. Shane Bickel made a motion to approve this transfer. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 3: Commissioner President Tom Wall's items were moved down on the agenda as he was not present.

ITEM 4: Troy Hostetler, Highway Superintendent, requested an additional appropriation of \$47,000.00 in the 1176.22101.000.0533 Diesel Fuel budget line. Kittie Keiffer made a motion to approve this request. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 5: Prosecutor Jeremy Nix requested an appropriation of funds in the Prosecutors PCA Fund 8099 for \$2,000.00 in the 8099.39800.000.0000 Misc. Charges. Shane Bickel made a motion to approve this request. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 6: Ed Farris, Extension Director, requested a transfer of \$1,000.00 from 1000.11400.000.0011 Clerical to 1000.12000.000.0011 Overtime. Terry Miller made a motion to approve this request. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 7: Council President Kendall Mickley, speaking on behalf of Coroner Rod Jackson, requested an appropriation of funds in the Coroners Donations fund 4102.34200.000.0000 Misc. Expenses for \$42.50. Shane Bickel made a motion to approve this request. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 8: Community Corrections Board Member Ryan Wall requested an appropriation of funds for \$26,700.00 in the 1122 PI Community Corrections Fund to be split as follows:

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| 1122.36200.000.9609 | Service Contracts | \$25,500.00 |
| 1122.32301.000.9609 | Cell Phones | \$1,200.00. |

Kittie Keiffer made a motion to approve this request. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 9: Council discussed the name change of a position in the Superior Court office from Operations Specialist to Judicial Assistant.

Shane Bickel made a motion to open the Salary Ordinance. Kittie Keiffer seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Kittie Keiffer made a motion to approve the name change from Court Operations Specialist to Judicial Assistant. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Peyton Pike made a motion to close the Salary Ordinance. Shane Bickel seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ITEM 3: Commissioner President Tom Wall arrived and requested a departmental transfer of \$13,625.00 from the DCD 1000.11120.000.0079 Part Time to the Court House (maintenance) 1000.11450.000.0161 Facilities Manager. Keith Eller made a motion to approve this request. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Commissioner Wall also requested the following transfers for the Court House budget:

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| FROM: 1000.11170.000.0161 Supervisor | \$23,046.40 |
| 1000.11410.000.0161 Maintenance Worker | \$8,500.00 |
| 1000.12000.000.0161 Overtime | \$1,878.62 |

TOTAL: \$33,425.02

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| TO: 1000.11450.000.0161 Facilities Manager | \$33,425.02 |
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Terry Miller made a motion to approve this transfer. Keith Eller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Commissioner Wall also requested an additional appropriation of \$18,491.25 in the 1000.35100.000.9620 O'Donnell Center Utilities. Keith Eller made a motion to approve this request. Terry Miller seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

The regular portion of the meeting was adjourned.

SOLID WASTE-BINDING REVIEWS

Christi McElhaney, Controller for Huntington County Solid Waste, and Scott Husband, Director of Huntington County Solid Waste, presented their 2022 budget for Council to review. Christi stated that the Solid Waste board requested a cut of \$1,000 for office furniture, and removal of Engineering from the previous year. Also, the Trash fee and Postage were reduced. In total their budget increased from \$394,000.00 to \$404,000.00.

Council reviewed the 2022 Estimated Property Tax Levy Limits and the Estimated Reductions Due to Circuit Breakers for each taxing unit. Shane Bickel made a motion that each taxing unit abide by these numbers and that the County Auditor distribute a statement to all taxing units regarding this review and recommendation. Peyton Pike seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

The 2022 Budget Hearings Began.

The following departments presented their budgets: Monday August 16, 2021.

Clerk

- Election & Registration
- Record Keeping
- Perpetuation
- Clerks – Elected Officials Training
- Clerks 4-d Incentive

Auditor

- Auditors Ineligible Deduction fund – Nothing Budgeted
- Auditor - County Elected Officials Training fund – Add \$1,000

Treasurer

- Treasurer's – County Elected Officials Training

Recorder

- Identification Security Protection
- Recorders Records Perpetuation
- Recorders – Elected Officials Training

Sheriff

- Courthouse Security
- LIT Public Safety Co Share
- Medical Care for Inmates
- County Misdemeanant/Corrections
- Sex and Violent Offender
- Sheriffs Law Education
- K-9
- Sheriffs Drug Seized Money
- Sheriffs Bullet Proof Vest
- Jail

Surveyor

- Drainage Board
- Surveyors Corner Perpetuation
- Surveyor- Elected Officials Training

Coroner

Assessor

- Sales Disclosure Fund
- Reassessment

BREAK

Prosecutor

Title IV-D

Pre-Trial Diversion

Infraction Deferral

Prosecutors PCA

Pros IV-D

CO-OP

Veterans Office

Veterans Recognition Donations

County Council

LIT

Commissioners

LIT Economic Development

Cumulative Courthouse

Pool Car

Soil & Water

Motor Vehicle Highway

Cumulative Bridge

Local Road & Street

Community Development

Unsafe Building Fund

The meeting recessed until Tuesday, August 17 @ 6:00 PM

Computer Dept

Custodian

Probation Dept

County Offender Transportation

Adult Prob Admin Fee

Superior Court Adult Prob Fee

Circuit Court Juv Probation

Drug Testing Probation

Circuit Court

Superior Court

Supplemental Public Defender Services

Jury Pay

Health Dept
Local Health Maint
SIA Foundation Grant
Base Public Health Preparedness
Health Bio Terrorism
Indiana Local Health Dept Trust

Htgn County Statewide E-911
PSAP

Weights and Measurers

Emergency Management
Emergency Planning RTK
Civil Defense Donations

ADJOURNMENT – Keith Eller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kittie Keiffer seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

ADOPTED THIS 18th, DAY OF OCTOBER 2021.

ATTEST: 
JILL M. LANDRUM, AUDITOR

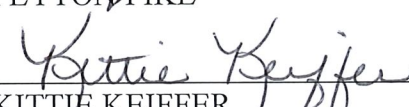

TERRY MILLER


SHANE BICKEL

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VACANT POSITION


KENDALL MICKLEY


PEYTON PIKE


KITTIE KEIFFER


KEITH ELLER