

COUNTY COUNCIL

August 11th, 2022

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Council convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, August 11th, 2022 to consider additional requests in excess of the budget allowed for 2022, and to conduct such other business as may be properly brought before the Council.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Council members present were John K. Pratt, President; Larry Gambaiani, Vice President; Roy Wrightsman, Rick Patton, Jack B. Butler, James E. Howard and Cameron Martin. Present from the Auditor's Office was Laura Fischer, Auditor. Also present were Jessica Lancaster, Katie Potter, Kim Shorter, John Martin, Chris O'Brien, George Nicholas and Jana Collisi.
- III. **READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes from July 2022 were tabled.
- IV. **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The Council considered additional appropriation requests as published in the newspaper July 27th, 2022. Council President, John K. Pratt, reviewed the appropriations from written requests submitted by Auditor, Laura Fischer. Thus, the following ordinance was adopted: WHEREAS: it has been determined it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget for 2022, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Parke County, Indiana, for the expenses of said County government, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set out of the funds herein specified, subject to the law governing the same: Roy Wrightsman made a motion to approve the additional appropriation requests as advertised on July 27th, 2022. The motion was seconded by Larry Gambaiani and carried unanimously.

<u>FUND/DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT REQUESTED</u>	<u>AMOUNT APPROVED</u>
Local Roads and Streets	\$341,000.00	\$341,000.00
Bituminous – 1169-00-02-3111		
Total Local Roads and Streets Fund:	\$341,000.00	\$341,000.00
Local Roads and Streets	\$63,201.70	\$63,201.70
Supplies – 1169-00-02-3100		
Local Roads and Streets Fund:	\$63,201.70	\$63,201.70

- V. **TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** N/A
- VI. **REAPPROPRIATIONS:** N/A
- VII. **JURY PAY:** July 31st, 2022 - \$138.24. Motion to approve jury pay made by James E. Howard and seconded by Larry Gambaiani. Motion carried unanimously.
- VIII. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
- Redevelopment Commission – Did not meet
 - Planning and Zoning Commission – Did not meet
 - Courthouse Security Board – Did not meet

IX. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

- **Chris O'Brien, 911:**
 - 3 grants have been closed out which were for the fence around the jail, data conversion and salary reimbursement. Got the money back from the state. They are now zeroed out.
 - 2 grants are being worked on. One for the generators at the highway department and also the Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant that will be for \$18,000. They will contract with Partnership and the money will go to them. Asked if a Council member would be on the planning committee. Cameron Martin agreed to do so.
 - FEMA approved \$25,000 that should be coming from the state. Will go back into the account paid out of.
 - Chris asked to go first at Budget hearing on Aug. 18th, 2022 as he has to be elsewhere during the time he was assigned. Council agreed.
- **Katie Potter, Assessor:**
 - Ended appeals cycle with 86 total appeals which is up 4 from previous. Once filed 9 people withdrew. After starting hearings there were 11 no call, no shows. On August 15th she has 2 hearings with IBTR.
 - Still working on re-assessment.
- **Kim Shorter, Treasurer:**
 - Tax sale is going smoothly.
 - Stated there are still issues with Payroll. State and County have been corrected by Federal and Retirements are still carrying money. The Sheriff's is overpaid. On Tuesday a Deputy brought in withholding checks that were dated July 30th for the August withholding. Kim stated that July has been closed out so the checks were sent back.
- **Laura Fischer, Auditor:**
 - Responded to the Treasurers comments: The July 30th checks were for the period ending July 30th. Dates got messed up. Checks will be corrected and re-issued. Stated that the other account issues are being worked on.
- **Roy Wrightsman, Councilman:**
 - Said it was his understanding that there was an error rolling personal property for assessed values and wanted to know if that had been corrected. Katie Potter stated that the Real Estate Deputy in the Auditors office has processed a Correction of Error on Monday. Katie also stated there was a software error and updates have since been done to fix this.

X. GENERAL BUSINESS:

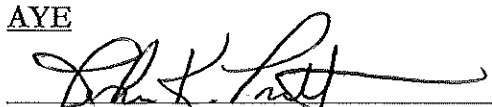
- Budget hearing will be held on Thursday, August 18th in the EOC building at 8:30 a.m. Should not need to use August 19th as everything should be taken care of on the 18th.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

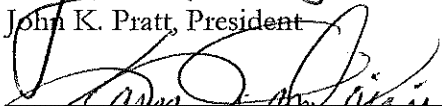
- **WCSWD 2023 Programs Parke County Cost**
 - George Nicholas and Jane Collisi spoke with the Council. 14% increase on Rockville recycling center for next year, starting in January. Capital reserve reduced. Reserve at the end of July 2022 was \$709,000. Spending it down each year. Recycle trailer gets emptied 5 times a week, sometimes more. Collector in Crawfordsville sorts it.
 - The Council will deal with their request for money during the Budget hearing.

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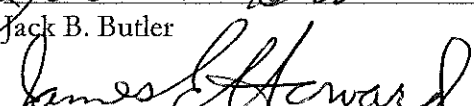
John K. Pratt, President



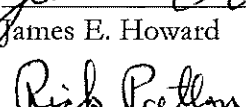
Larry Gambatani, Vice President



Jack B. Butler



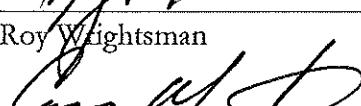
James E. Howard



Rick Patton

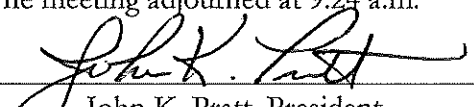


Roy Wrightsman




Cameron Martin

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by Jack B. Butler and seconded by Cameron Martin. The meeting adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

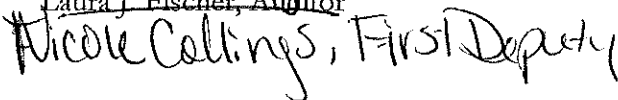


John K. Pratt, President

ATTEST:



Laura J. Fischer, Auditor


Nicole Collings, First Deputy