

## COUNTY COUNCIL

January 14th, 2021

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Council convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, January 14th, 2021 to consider additional requests in excess of the Budget allowed for 2021, 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, Jack B. Butler, Rick Patton and Cameron Martin. James E. Howard was absent. Also present were Henry Harper, First Deputy Auditor; Tammy Thomas, Third Deputy Auditor; Laura Fischer; Auditor was absent. Also present were Katie Potter, John Martin, Jessica Lancaster, Justin Cole, and Chris O'Brien.

### III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS FOR 2021:

Councilman Roy Wrightsman made a motion to retain John K. Pratt as County Council President and Larry Gambaiani as County Council Vice President for 2021. Rick Patton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

A listing of appointments was presented for the Council's review. Councilman Roy Wrightsman made a motion to approve all of the appointments as presented. Council Vice President, Larry Gambaiani, seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, thus the following appointments were made for 2021.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Council President	John K. Pratt	2021
Council Vice President	Larry Gambaiani	2021
Plan Commission Representative	Jack B. Butler	2021
Economic Redevelopment Commission	John K. Pratt	2021
Rockville Economic Development Commission	Larry Gambaiani	2/1/2019 – 1/31/2021
Economic Development Commission	Roy Wrightsman	2021
West Central Indiana Economic Development Advisory Board	James E. Howard	2021
Local Alcoholic Beverage Board	George Nicholas	2021
Parke County Park Board	Matt Helderman	2017-2021
Parke County Park Board	Pam Adams	2019-2022
Board of Zoning Appeals	Brad Craycraft	2021
Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals	Kim Shorter	2021
	Darrek Davis	2021
Rockville Public Library Board	Randy Wright	6/1/2018 – 05/31/2021
	Judy Brook	1/1/2019- 12/31/2022
Montezuma Public Library Board	Paul Ballantyne	2021-2024
911 Advisory and Communications Board	Larry Gambaiani	2021
Local Emergency Preparedness Commission		
and Emergency Management Agency Advisory Board	Cameron Martin	2021
County Council Attorney	Robert Clutter	2021
West Central Solid Waste District Representative	Cameron Martin	2021

**IV. READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on December 10, 2020 and December 29, 2020 were approved on a motion made by Councilman Roy Wrightsman and seconded by Council Vice President, Larry Gambaiani. The motion carried unanimously.

**V. JURY PAY:** The First Deputy Auditor presented the Parke County Clerk's certification of jury fees collected for November 2020 (\$60.78) and December 2020 (\$85.55), and requested \$146.33 be transferred into the Jury Pay Fund, pursuant to IC 33-19-8-8. Councilman Rick Patton made the motion to direct the Auditor's office to transfer the jury fees collected in the amount of \$146.33 from the County Users Fund to the Jury Fee Fund. The motion was seconded by Council Vice President Larry Gambaiani and unanimously carried.

**VI. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:** The following additional appropriations were approved on a motion by Councilman Jack B. Butler and seconded by Councilman Rick Patton. The motion passed unanimously.

LIT EDIT FUND – 1112-00-02-3042	
Repair Parts – Highway	\$250,000.00
Total LIT EDIT FUND	\$250,000.00
Plat Book Fund – 1181-00-03-5080	
Service Contracts	\$44,469.13
Total Plat Book Fund	\$44,469.13

**VII. RE-APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The following re-appropriation requests were approved on a motion made by Councilman Jack B. Butler and seconded by Councilman Cameron Martin. The motion passed unanimously.

REMC capital credits	1000-15-03-5100	\$81.14
Public Safety	1170-00-04-7010	\$5,857.50

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Redevelopment Commission (RDC) – Councilman Roy Wrightsman:
  - Mentioned the January 26, 2021 deadline for opening bids for Commissioner's tax sale.
- Planning and Zoning Commission – no meeting was held.
- Courthouse Security Board – no meeting was held.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

- The 2021 salary ordinance amendment was approved on a motion by Council Vice President Larry Gambaiani and seconded by Councilman Rick Patton. The motion passed unanimously.

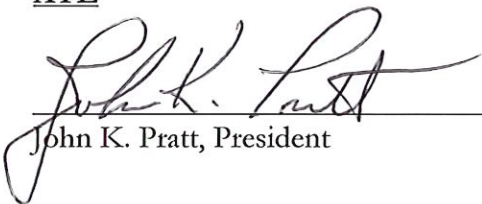
**X. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

- **Assessor, Katie Potter:**
  - Rolled mobile home balance values
  - PTABOA hearings-88 appeals were heard, 6 going before PTABOA
  - Hatke case filed 136 exemption. The tax court has the case, but has not accepted it yet.
  - Personal Property forms have been sent out.

- **Sheriff Justin Cole:**
  - 45 inmates
  - Zero COVID-19; employees and inmates
  - One jail officer opening
  - \$13,275 December inmate housing
  - The 2021 Sheriff's salary contract was approved and signed on a motion made by Council Vice President Larry Gambaiani, and seconded by Councilman Jack B. Butler. The motion passed unanimously.
  - Presented 2020 annual Commissary Fund report
- **Emergency Management, Chris O'Brien**
  - Awarded the following grants:
    - 2021 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant \$7,090  
Will be used for writing an emergency plan.
    - 2020 SHSP Soft Target Protection Grant \$205,607.23  
Will be used for cameras for video surveillance, license plate reader, and detective cameras.
    - Indiana Criminal Justice Institute CRF 2020 \$37,810.21  
Will be used for courthouse security salaries, and jail equipment sterilizers.
    - 2019 SHSP Access Control and ID Verification Grant \$55,485.79  
Will be used for upgrading the computers at the Sheriff's office and dispatch.
- **Ambulance Service, Julie Lanzone:**
  - Ms. Lanzone was absent, but the Council reviewed her monthly report.

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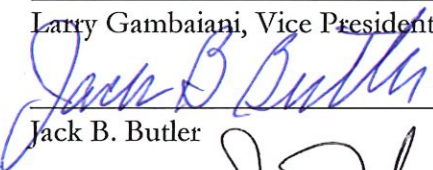
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Larry Gambaiani, Vice President

  
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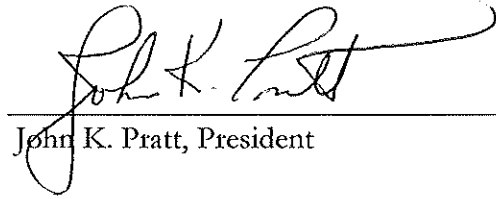
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**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Jack B. Butler and seconded by Councilman Roy Wrightsman, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.



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John K. Pratt, President

ATTEST:



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Laura J. Fischer, Auditor