

## COUNTY COUNCIL

June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Council convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 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; Roy Wrightsman, Rick Patton, Jack B. Butler and Cameron Martin. Larry Gambaiani, Vice President and James E. Howard were absent. Present from the Auditor's Office were Laura Fischer, Auditor and Michelle Woods, 3<sup>rd</sup> Deputy Auditor. Also present were Katie Potter, Jessica Lancaster, Justin Cole, John Martin and Jim Meece.
- III. **READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes for April 2022 were presented. Motion to approve minutes made by Roy Wrightsman and seconded by Jack B. Butler. Motion carried unanimously. Minutes for May 2022 were tabled.
- IV. **TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** The Council approved the requests for the transfer of funds on a motion made by Jack B. Butler and seconded by Cameron Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

Be it resolved; the Parke County Council hereby approves the following requests for transfer:

Amount: \$17,000.00  
From: 1000-16-01-1803  
EMS – Additional Salaries EMT  
To: 1000-16-01-1802  
EMS – Part Time EMT

Amount: \$20,000.00  
From: 1000-16-01-1801  
EMS – Certified EMT  
To: 1000-16-01-1802  
EMS – Part Time EMT

- V. **REAPPROPRIATIONS:** Due to a payment being made twice, a request for reappropriation has been submitted. Council approved reappropriation. Motion made by Roy Wrightsman and seconded by Cameron Martin. Motion carried unanimously.

Amount: \$5,167.74  
Fund: 1138-00-03-5041  
Sheriff Dept. – Cumulative Capital Dev.

**VI. JURY PAY:** April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - \$123.29 Motion to approve jury pay made by Rick Patton and seconded by Cameron Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Redevelopment Commission – Public hearing for taxing units, no one appeared. 41 sewer project is continuing. Final payment made to Montezuma. Discussed the creation of other TIF districts.
- Planning and Zoning Commission – 1 petition, Alvin King Sawmill at Airport and Catlin roads.
- Courthouse Security Board – No incident reports. Camera system working well. Battery backup replaced.
- Solid Waste District – Did not meet.

**VIII. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:**

- **Jim Meece, Commissioner:**
  - Need to schedule an ARP meeting as there are a couple of requests that need looked at.
- **Justin Cole, Sheriff's Dept:**
  - Currently \$74,290.50 DOC
  - Fence and parking lot projects are complete
  - National Night Out will be held on July 14<sup>th</sup> from 5p-9p which is parade night at the Parke County Fair. Will not have food/drinks as there will be vendors at the fair.
  - Flush valve replacement in July.
  - Need to get quotes for metal siding.
- **Katie Potter, Assessor:**
  - On 6/1/22, balanced with Auditor.
  - Last day to appeal real property is 6/15/22.
  - 28 appeals

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Abatements – Big Inch**
  - Annual review. Abatement started in 2015. Council to decide if they are in compliance to continue abatement. Council finds they are in compliance. **Motion to approve made by Roy Wrightsman and seconded by Jack B. Butler. Motion carried unanimously.**

**X. OLD BUSINESS:**

- 2/3 of departments have turned in budgets.
- GIS contract is being presented to the Commissioners.
- Money was not received back from employee that was overpaid.
- Auditor has sent letter to former elected officials about overpayment per Resolution.

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John K. Pratt  
John K. Pratt, President

Larry Gambatani  
Larry Gambatani, Vice President

Jack B. Butler  
Jack B. Butler

ABSENT

James E. Howard

Rick Patton  
Rick Patton

Roy Wrightsman  
Roy Wrightsman

Cameron Martin  
Cameron Martin

NAY

**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by Jack B. Butler and seconded by Rick Patton. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

ATTEST:

Laura J. Fischer  
Laura J. Fischer, Auditor

John K. Pratt  
John K. Pratt, President