

**County Council Meeting
February 18, 2025**

Present: Aaron Benton, David Gogel, Justin Grose, Susan Harris, David Fromme, Brian Greulich, Steve Haaff, Auditor Melissa L. Bunner, and Attorney Andrew Foster.

Meeting was called to order by President Benton at 5:00 P.M.

Minutes

Fromme made a motion to approve the minutes from January 21, 2025. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Additional Appropriation

	Amount Requested	Approved
Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL / CIRCUIT COURT 0232		
Other Services & Charges: Computer Warranty	\$42,000	\$42,000

Gogel made a motion to approve. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fund Name: 1176 MVH		
Capital Outlay: Equipment	\$155,000	\$155,000

Fromme made a motion to approve. Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fund Name: 2501 PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION		
Other Services & Charges: Cell Phone	\$600	\$600

Greulich made a motion to approve. Gogel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fund Name: 1224 REASSESSMENT		
Other Personal: Part Time Help	\$14,840	\$14,840

Greulich made a motion to approve. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Transfers

	Amount	Approved
SPENCER COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS		
Increase Account: 9116-11320-0000		
Personal: Case Manager 1 FT	\$1,146.60	\$1,146.60
Decrease Account: 9116-11440-0000		
Personal: PT Data Collector / Drug Screener	\$1,146.60	\$1,146.60

Fromme made a motion to approve. Haaff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SPENCER COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS		
Increase Account: 9116-11520-0000		
Personal: Office Manager	\$3,385.20	\$3,385.20
Decrease Account: 9116-11490-0000		
Personal: PT Perf Field Officer	\$3,385.20	\$3,385.20

Fromme made a motion to approve. Haaff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2024-2025 Encumbrances

1000 County General	\$31,886.41
1112 Lit Econ Dev (CEDIT)	\$1,439,266.12
1135 Cum Bridge	\$144,763.16
1138 Cum Cap	\$3,231.87
1176 Highway	\$108,267.60
1222 E-911	\$568.54
1224 Reassessment	\$3,000.00
1237 Opioid	\$27,500.00
1238 Opioid	\$16,295.30
2501 Pre-Trial Diversion	\$145.14
8950 ARPA	\$729,000.00
Totals:	\$2,503,924.14

Gogel motioned to remove 1112, 1135, and 1176. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Grose motioned to approve the remainder of the requests. Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Department / Sherri Heichelbech

Heichelbech is requesting approval to increase Donna Polster's weekly hours from 20 to up to 28 hours per week, as needed. **Fromme motioned to approve. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Heichelbech is asking for authorization to reallocate funds currently deposited into County General from the South Spencer School Corporation. January 2025 first semester SRO totaled \$31,875.00 and requesting to move to Deputy OT. **Haaff motioned to advertise. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Assessor / Melissa Woolard

Woolard is asking for an additional \$7,000 to increase part-time pay as she is getting certified. The Council is asking for her to come back and request after she completes the certification.

Contract

Resolution 2025-01 "A Resolution Of The Spencer County Council Adopting Sheriff's Salary Contract" was presented. **Greulich motioned to approve. Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.** This Resolution is adopted at first reading by unanimous vote.

The Sheriff's contract was presented. **Fromme motioned to approve the contract. Gogel seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Indiana Regional 15 / Nathan Held

Held provided an update on Federal and State Grants. He discussed ongoing projects from previous years and funding returned on the per-capita investments.

Legal Report

Foster presented the letter to the utilities he was asked to draft. **Grose motioned to approve the letter as presented. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Old Business

No Report.

New Business

Mindy Spinks is asking for an additional to cover FICA and PERF for the newly combined position of Environmental / Building Inspector in Health 1159. This is only the \$30,000 Health Department contribution. **Greulich motioned to advertise. Fromme seconded the motion. Motion carried.** Greg Semersheim is the candidate to take this new position and is scheduled to start on 3/3/25.

Soil & Water / Jessica Bender is asking for an additional to pay for an audit performed. She is asking for \$3,718.33. **Haaff motioned to advertise. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Steve Haaff provided an update on the Habitat for Humanity project slated for Hatfield. They are looking for more donations and are moving forward on their project.

Grose made a motion to adjourn. Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 P.M.

President

Attest: Auditor, Melissa L. Bunner

