

**County Council Meeting
February 15, 2022**

Present: David Gogel, Susan Harris, Todd Ruxer, Brian Greulich, Steve Haaff, Todd Grundhoefer, Aaron Benton, Attorney Andrew Foster, Auditor Melissa L. Bunner

County Council meeting was called to order by President Steve Haaff at 5:00 P.M.

The meeting was started by the introduction of two (2) local boy scouts. Brody Berg and Noah Diller led the Pledge of Allegiance to kick off the meeting.

Minutes

Greulich made a motion to approve the minutes from January 18, 2022. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Annual Appropriations

Amount Requested / Approved

COIT

Jail Repairs		
Account# 1000-000-3045.00	\$976.00	\$ 976.00

Jail Security		
Account# 1000-000-3045.00	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00

Luce Township Sewer Project		
Account# 1000-000-3045.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00

Santa Claus Water Project		
Account# 1000-000-3045.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00

Accident Report-Sheriff		
Account# 1101-000-4010.00	\$18,943.00	\$18,943.00

Animal Control		
Account# 1106-000-4010.00	\$9,230.00	\$9,230.00

Clerks Records Perpetuation		
Account# 1119-000-4010.00	\$54,971.00	\$54,971.00

Prisoner Reimbursement-Sheriff		
Account# 1130-000-4010.00	\$8,171.00	\$8,171.00

Co. Law Enforcement Continuing Education-Sheriff		
Account# 1133-000-4010.00	\$3,729.00	\$3,729.00

Drug Free Community Fund		
Account# 1148-000-4010.00	\$10,956.00	\$10,956.00

Firearms Training-Sheriff		
Account# 1156-000-4010.00	\$30,765.00	\$30,765.00

Jury Pay		
Account# 1164-000-4010.00	\$17,701.00	\$17,701.00

Medical Care for Inmate-Sheriff		
Account# 1174-000-4010.00	\$26,674.00	\$26,674.00

Misdemeanant-Sheriff		
Account# 1175-000-4010.00	\$13,834.00	\$13,834.00

Sex & Violent Offender-Sheriff		
Account# 1192-000-4010.00	\$3,650.00	\$3,650.00

Auditor's Ineligible Deductions		
Account# 1216-000-4010.00	\$29,843.00	\$29,843.00

County Elected Officials		
Account# 1217-000-4010.00	\$19,786.00	\$19,786.00

County User Fee		
Account# 2500-000-4010.00	\$65,057.00	\$65,057.00

Drain Construction/Reconstruction-Surveyor		
Account# 2600-000-4004.00	\$105,027.00	\$105,027.00

Sheriff Sales		
Account# 4009-000-4010.00	\$14,369.00	\$14,369.00

Health Clinic		
Account# 4014-000-4010.00	\$64,134.00	\$64,134.00

LEPC-EMA		
Account# 4905-000-4010.00	\$10,304.00	\$10,304.00

Property Maintenance		
Account# 4906-000-4310.00	\$11,514.00	\$11,514.00

EMA Hazmat		
Account# 4907-000-4010.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Account# 4907-000-4311.00	\$567.00	\$567.00

EMA Search and Rescue		
Account# 4908-000-4010.00	\$4,515.00	\$4,515.00

Public Safety Fund		
Account# 4909.000.4010.00	\$1,253.00	\$1,253.00

County IV-D		
Account# 8895-000-4010.00	\$40,029.00	\$40,029.00

Prosecutor IV-D		
Account # 8897-000-4010.00	\$46,754.00	\$46,754.00

Clerk IV-D		
Account# 8899-000-4010.00	\$2,819.00	\$2,819.00

Benton made a motion to approve all annual appropriations as presented. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Additional Appropriation

	Amount Requested	Approved
Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL / Circuit Court		
Personnel Services: Part-Time Referee	\$16,700.00	\$16,700.00

Gogel made a motion to approve. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL/Commissioners/Circuit Court		
Personnel Services: FICA	\$1,278.00	\$1,278.00

Gogel made a motion to approve. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL/Sheriff		
Personnel Services: Part-Time Help	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

Greulich made a motion to approve. Benton seconded the motion, motion approved.

Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL/Commissioners/Sheriff		
Personnel Services: FICA	\$383.00	\$383.00

Greulich made a motion to approve. Benton seconded the motion, motion approved.

Fund Name: 1138 CUM CAP/Sheriff		
Capital Outlay: Sheriff Vehicles	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00

Gogel made a motion to approve. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Fund Name: 1168 LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE/Health Department		
Capital Outlay: Office Machines	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00

Benton made a motion to approve. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Fund Name: 1181 PLAT BOOK/Auditor \$6,000.00
Other Services: SBS Portals \$6,000.00

Benton made a motion to approve. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Fund Name: 2000 ADULT PROBATION ADMINISTRATIVE/Circuit Court	
Capital Outlay: Rockport Police Drug Dog	\$1,000.00
Benton made a motion to approve. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion approved.	\$1,000.00

Transfers
None.

Prosecutor's Office / Vic Ippoliti
Ippoliti had three (3) requests. Two (2) of the requests were presented at the last meeting but Ippoliti was unable to attend. One request was for \$26,016 for ten (10) extra hours from 1182 Pre-Trial Diversion to Pre-Trial Clerical Assistants.
Benton motioned to approve this request. Greulich seconded the motion, motion approved.

The second request was for an additional permanent part time clerical assistant for \$42,000.00. This will be paid out of Pre-Trial Diversion 1182.
Benton motioned to approve this request. Greulich seconded the motion, motion approved.

The third request is for a part-time clerical person to scan documents which have become mandatory through Child Support. This request is also for \$42,000.00. This will be advertised out of County General / Child Support for the March 15, 2022 meeting.

Assessor / Jamie McGinnis
McGinnis came to discuss the new tax tables structures. The rate for January 1, 2021 was \$1,290.00 per acre. The rate for January 1, 2022 is \$1,500.00 per acre which is an increase of 16.3% in AG land assessments. Spencer County has approximately 260,000 acres. There are 17,000 plus acres in these land types and registered with DNR. Approximately 6.5% of all acreage will be assessed at \$14.63 per acre. Additionally, there is a 40% increase in crude, 63% increase in gas, and 38% increase in equipment for 2022.

Surveyor / Jeff Meredith
Meredith requested \$50,000 to start up the new Caney Creek Watershed. Caney Creek consists of 111 parcels. It is 12.29 miles of regulated drains and totals 4,489.40 acres.
Benton motioned to advertise this request out of Riverboat. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Meredith also discussed some issues with Anderson River and is looking at approximately \$8,200.00 to resolve. Benton suggested looking at the Anderson River Fund 4902 and seeing what is in there and then advertising what is not there for the next meeting.

Coroner / Layla Thayer
Thayer discussed an opportunity to get a grant for a vehicle. To apply for the grant, she needs to provide an answer to two (2) questions. One, are the Commissioners and County Council on board with the grant submission. Two, will the Commissioners and County Council help maintain the vehicle in the long run. After much discussion, Haaff asked for a motion. No one motioned. Haaff asked for a motion for the second time. No one motioned. Request denied from lack of motion.

Probation / Sylvia Holbrook
Holbrook presented a copy of the Annual Report FY 2021 for Spencer County Probation.
Benton motioned to approve the Annual Report as presented. Harris seconded the motion, motion approved.

Holbrook also presented a copy of the Annual Report for the Spencer County Drug Court. Anna Amb with Community Corrections was unable to attend.
Benton motioned to approve the Annual Report as presented. Harris seconded the motion, motion approved.

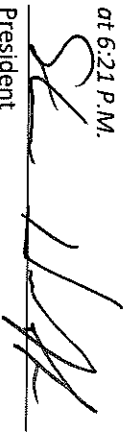
Legal Report
Nothing to report.

Old Business
4-H Pavilion /— Ben Durlinger, Logan Leibering, Tim Sigler and Eric Vogel
This group is following up from the meeting that was attended on January 18, 2022 in which the new 4-H pavilion project was discussed. They are asking for a donation of \$800,000.00.
Gagel motioned to approve these funds through the ARPA funding. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion approved.

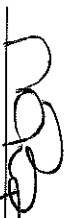
New Business
Nothing to report.

Ruxer made a motion to adjourn. Benton seconded the motion, motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:21 P.M.

President



Attest:



Auditor, Melissa L. Bunner

