

DUBOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

November 28, 2022

The Dubois County Council met on Monday, November 28, 2022 in the Commissioner/Council Chambers in the Dubois County Annex. President Michael Kluesner called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Present at the meeting were Board Members Michael W. Kluesner, Charmian R. Klem, Mary E. Beckman, Alex P. Hohl, Sonya Haas and Auditor Sandra L. Morton. Doug Uebelhor entered the meeting at 4:47 p.m. Craig M. Greulich was absent.

RE: MINUTES

President Kluesner asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the meeting held on November 21, 2022. On motion made by Michael Kluesner, seconded by Mary E. Beckman, the minutes were approved as written.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – PROJECT INCOME

Community Corrections Director Wyatt Madden requested an Additional Appropriation in the Project Income Personal Services in the amount of \$6,908 for the salary and benefits of one additional corrections officer. A motion to approve the request was made by Charmian Klem, duly seconded by Michael Kluesner. The motion carried 5-0.

Prosecutor Anthony Quinn, President of the Community Corrections Advisory Board, discussed the funding sources for the new officers. He cited IC 11-12-2-12 stating the Advisory Board must approve the spending of the Correction and Home Detention funds. The Board has not approved the funding at this time and will meet in a special session to discuss the matter.

RE: SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – PROJECT INCOME

Auditor Morton presented an Amendment to the Salary Ordinance for the Community Corrections Project Income Correctional Officer to be paid a bi-weekly salary of \$1,627.27. The officer will begin on or after November 29, 2022. Holiday pay will be paid per the Employee Handbook. A motion to approve the Amended Salary Ordinance was made by Alex Hohl, was duly seconded by Sonya Haas, and carried 5-0.

Doug Uebelhor entered the meeting at this time.

RE: REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

Mary Austin, PE, of Clark- Dietz, provided an update on the Regional Sewer District. The Commissioners have approved the Phase 1 Services Contract and passed Resolution 2022-16 to petition for an order to establish the Dubois County Regional Sewer District. The City of Jasper is working with Midwestern Engineers. A monthly progress meeting will be held on the first Tuesday of each month to coordinate efforts between the County, City of Jasper, Clark Dietz and Midwestern Engineering.

The Commissioners have discussed working with Baker Tilly Financial Consultants and should approve a contract not to exceed \$15,000 on December 5, 2022. ARPA funds will be used to pay for the services.

RE: READI COMMUNITIES 2.0 – LETTER OF SUPPORT

Auditor Morton presented a Letter of Support for the Park READI Communities 2.0 program. The County Council and County Commissioners will support the program and will ensure the required match of \$225,000 will be available prior to the awarding and signing of any contracts. The match will be allocated from Park Operating funds - \$75,000 each year for three years into the Non Reverting Park Fund. Consensus was to sign the Letter of Support.

RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Nowotarski provided information on the Hoosier Environmental Council which will be held at the StoneGate Arts and Education Center in Bedford, Indiana on Saturday, December 3, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

RE: LOCAL ASSISTANCE & TRIBAL CONSISTANCY FUND

Auditor Morton provided information on the Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF). The County has received the first installment of \$50,000 and expects to receive the next installment in 2023. The total to be received is \$100,000. The funding can be used for any cost incurred on or after March 15, 2021, for any governmental purpose other than a lobbying activity.

RE: FUTURE MEETINGS

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The Council set the next meeting for December 12, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. The final meeting of the year will be held on December 28, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. All meetings will be held in the Commissioner/Council Room on the 2nd floor of the Courthouse Annex.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, a motion to adjourn was made by Charmian Klem, seconded by Doug Uebelhor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.