

DUBOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

APRIL 25, 2022

The Dubois County Council met on Monday, April 25, 2022 in the Commissioners/Council Chambers in the Dubois County Annex. Present at the meeting were Board Members Michael W. Kluesner, Craig M. Greulich, Charmian R. Klem, Mary E. Beckman, Sonya Haas, Alex P. Hohl, Doug M. Uebelhor and Auditor Sandra L. Morton. A quorum was declared present. President Kluesner called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

RE: MINUTES

President Kluesner asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the March 28, 2022 meeting. On motion made by Charmian Klem, seconded by Doug Uebelhor, the minutes were approved as written.

RE: SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Tom Kleinhelter provided an update on the Sheriff Department. Currently, one deputy is attending the Academy and will graduate in May and he and the Merit Board are in the process of hiring a second deputy. He is also looking to hire a jailer in May.

Sheriff Kleinhelter reiterated the need to attract and retain officers. The Indiana State Police are hiring troopers with three years of experience and have wages higher than the County. After training and graduating from the Academy, this may entice deputies to leave. Kleinhelter is seeking to form a committee to study options for retainage of officers. Consensus was to have a few Council members to serve.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent Steve Berg provided an update on the Highway Department and presented the Five-Year Equipment Rotation Plan. It is time to replace a 1993 road grader and the Department is looking to use Sourcewell, a Cooperative Purchasing Program. The program will provide discounts and savings. Due to supply shortages, the grader could take several months for delivery. Consensus was to proceed with the order and advertise from the Cum Cap fund. A motion was made by Doug Uebelhor to purchase the grader using \$260,000 from Cum Cap and MVH budgeted funds in the amount of \$92,000. The motion was seconded by Craig Greulich and carried unanimously. The Additional Appropriation will be advertised for the May meeting.

In March 2021, a Compactor Body and Chassis was ordered. The Chassis was delivered in April 2022. Pak-Mor is now scheduled to add the compactor body; however, steel prices have increased over the original quote. Due to a clause in the contract, the Department must cover the costs. Berg requested to advertise \$6,655 from Cum Cap. A motion was made by Charmian Klem to approve the request, was seconded by Mary E. Beckman, and carried unanimously. The Additional Appropriation will be advertised for the May meeting.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent Berg requested an Additional Appropriation in the Highway Fund Supplies in the amount of \$150,000 for Stone and Bituminous. A motion to approve the request was made by Mary E. Beckman, seconded by Alex Hohl. The motion carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Berg requested an Additional Appropriation in the Highway Fund Other Services the amount of \$45,000 for Equipment Repair, Uniforms & Towels. A motion to approve the request was made by Michael Kluesner, seconded by Charmian Klem. The motion carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Berg requested an Additional Appropriation in the Highway Fund Capital Outlay in the amount of \$1,675,300 for Paving and Equipment. A motion to approve the request was made by Craig Greulich, seconded by Sonya Haas. The motion carried unanimously.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – LOCAL ROAD & STREET

Highway Superintendent Berg requested an Additional Appropriation in the Local Road & Street Fund Supplies in the amount of \$670,000 for Stone and Bituminous. A motion to approve the request was made by Sonya Haas, seconded by Charmian Klem. The motion carried unanimously.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – SOLID WASTE (STICKER)

Highway Superintendent Berg requested an Additional Appropriation in the Solid Waste (Sticker) Fund Other Services in the amount of \$35,000 for Refuse Disposal and Dumpster Sites. A motion to approve the request was made by Michael Kluesner, seconded by Mary E. Beckman. The motion carried unanimously.

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RE: RESOLUTION 2022-07 – ARPA PLAN

Auditor Morton presented Ordinance 2022-07 to amend the plan established for the use of ARPA monies. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2022-07 by Alex Hohl, was duly seconded by Doug Uebelhor and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-07

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF DUBOIS COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING A PLAN FOR USE OF MONIES FROM THE FEDERAL
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) OF 2021**

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DUBOIS COUNTY, INDIANA SUPPORTING THE PLAN FOR USE OF MONIES FROM THE FEDERAL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) OF 2021.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana adopted Ordinance 2021-19 on May 17, 2021 creating the ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (the “Fund”) allowing the County to receive American Rescue Plan Funds; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2021-19 provided that the uses of the Fund are specified in §603(c) of the ARPA and shall be used in accordance with U.S. Treasury Guidance, as amended; and provided that the County should collaborate with the public in order to create the plan, conditions, and rules (together, the “Plan”), upon which the monies are to be requested and used; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2021-19 provided a preliminary Plan and allowed for it to be amended; and

WHEREAS, the US Treasury has adopted final rules which allow up to \$10,000,000.00 of the ARP Funds awarded to be designated as a Standard Allowance of Revenue Loss without proof of actual revenue loss due to the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana adopted Ordinance 2022-01 on March 7, 2022, establishing a plan for use of monies from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Dubois County, Indiana supported and affirmed the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana’s Resolution 2022-01 by its Resolution 2022-02 adopted on March 28, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana adopted Ordinance 2022-06 on April 25, 2022, amending Exhibit A of Ordinance 2022-01 establishing a plan for use of monies from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Dubois County, Indiana supports and affirms the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana’s Ordinance in this regard.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Dubois County, Indiana that:

1. The County Council of Dubois County, Indiana, hereby supports and affirms the plan for use of monies from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 as amended and set forth in the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana Ordinance 2022-06 adopted on April 25, 2022.

DULY ADOPTED by the Council of Dubois County at a regularly scheduled public meeting held on this, the 25th day of April, 2022.

RE: COMPUTER NETWORK CORE SWITCH

Auditor Morton reported the Computer Network Core Switch would be at end of support in July 2022 and needs to be replaced at a cost of \$42,000. Due to the supply chain shortage, the switch could take 90-120 days for delivery. A motion was made by Michael Kluesner to declare an emergency appropriation and place the order for the switch now, was duly seconded by Craig Greulich and carried unanimously. The Additional Appropriation will be advertised in May 2022.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – GENERAL FUND

Auditor Morton requested an Additional Appropriation in the General Fund Auditor Supplies in the amount of \$2,000 for Plat Books. A motion to approve the request was made by Mary E. Beckman, seconded by Charmian Klem. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Morton requested an Additional Appropriation in the General Fund Human Resources Supplies in the amount of \$900 for Translator Office Supplies. A motion to approve the request was made by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Mary E. Beckman. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Morton requested an Additional Appropriation in the General Fund Human Resources Other Services in the amount of \$1,050 for Translator Mileage, Printing, and Training as well as Superior Court Other

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Services in the amount of \$480 for the Translator Cell Phone. A motion to approve the request was made by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Charmian Klem. The motion carried unanimously.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – HEALTH FUND

Auditor Morton requested an Additional Appropriation in the Health Fund Personal Services in the amount of \$4,000 for Professional Liability Medical Malpractice Insurance. A motion to approve the request was made by Craig Greulich, seconded by Doug Uebelhor. The motion carried unanimously.

RE: APPROPRIATION TRANSFER – GENERAL

Auditor Morton requested a Transfer of Appropriation in the General Fund Commissioners from Other Services in the amount of \$4,487 to Personal Services FICA and PERF. A motion was made to approve the request by Michael Kluesner, seconded by Charmian Klem. The motion carried unanimously.

RE: FUTURE MEETINGS

The Council set the next meetings for May 23, 2022; June 27, 2022; July 25, 2022, and August 29, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. 2023 Budget Review for Departments will be held on August 8, 2022, beginning at 8:00 a.m. 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 5:44 p.m.