

COUNTY COUNCIL
June 12th, 2014

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Council convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, June 12th, 2014 to consider additional requests in excess of the Budget allowed for 2014, and to conduct such other business as may be properly brought before the Council.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Council members present were James A. Rahn, President; John K. Pratt, Vice President; J. B. Butler, Rick Patton, Tom Stambaugh, G. Max Williams, Pam Adams; Auditor and Kim Casey; 3rd Deputy Auditor. Larry Gambaiani was absent. Also present were John Irelan, Marilyn Allen, Larry Bemis, Diana Hazlett, Mike Eslinger, Mary Alice Gregg, Randy Norman, Greg Harbison, Cathy Delp, Randy Mosele, Mark Spelbring and Amy Hensley.
- III. READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on May 8th, 2014 were approved upon a motion made by J.B. Butler and seconded by John Pratt.
- IV. TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** The Council approved the request for the transfer of funds. The following resolution was adopted.

TRANSFERS

Be it resolved, the Parke County Council hereby approves the following request for transfer:

J.B. Butler made a motion to adopt the following transfer; the motion was seconded by G. Max Williams and carried unanimously.

Amount: \$2,200.00
From: 1000-04-03-5080
County General / Treasurer / Other Service & Charges / Service Contracts
To: 1000-04-04-7020
County General / Treasurer / Other Services & Charges / Office Equipment

Amount: \$1,500.00
From: 1000-08-01-1802
County General / Custodian / Personal Services / Part-time
To: 1000-08-01-1804
County General / Custodian / Personal Services / Overtime

Amount: \$360.00
From: 1110-00-02-3010
CAGIT Certified Shares / Supplies / E.B. Office Supplies
To: 1110-00-03-5012
CAGIT Certified Shares / Other Services & Charges / E.B. – Precinct

- V. OTHER BUSINESS:** On motions made by John Pratt and seconded by G. Max Williams which unanimously carried; the Council took the following actions:
- Town of Marshall, in the amount of \$54.28 to account number 1170-00-03-5060, Public Safety/ Other Services & Charges/ Vehicle Maintenance Sheriff.
 - Reviewed Parke County Health Dept. 2013 Annual Report, Health Dept. 2014 1st Quarter Report, LOIT 1st Quarter Estimate – Summary 2014, and County Monthly Financial Statement for May 2014.
- VI. JURY FEE FUND:** The Auditor presented the Parke County Clerk's certification of jury fees collected for May 2014, and requested the amounts be transferred into the Jury Pay Fund, pursuant to IC 33-19-8-8. Rick Patton made the motion to direct the Auditor to transfer the jury fees collected in the amount of \$96.88 from the County Users Fund to the Jury Fee Fund. The motion was seconded by Tom Stambaugh, and unanimously carried.
- VII. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The Council considered additional appropriation requests as published in the newspaper May 28th, 2014. President James A. Rahn reviewed the appropriations from written requests submitted by Auditor, Pam Adams. Thus, the following ordinance was adopted: WHEREAS: it has been determined it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget for 2014, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Parke County Indiana, for the expenses of said County government, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set out of the funds herein specified, subject to the law governing the same: John Pratt made a motion to approve the additional appropriations advertised April 23rd, 2014; the motion was seconded by Rick Patton and carried unanimously.

FUND/ DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
Local Health Department Trust Account Fund		
Major Budget Classification / Capital Outlays / Equipment		
1206-00-04-7020	\$ 122.00	\$ 122.00
Local Health Department Trust Account Fund	\$ 122.00	\$ 122.00

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- John Irelan explained funding options for repairs to the Court House tower.
 - Current repair estimate of \$1.7 million has been received from Arsee Engineering.
 - Bank loan would be an option with a \$2 million limit, maximum 10 year term. Principal and interest payments would be approximately \$300,000.00 annually, payable in January and July. If the cost of repairs would be over \$2 million, the county would need a bond issue to cover the expense, which would allow the county a longer period of time for repayment.
 - Irelan stated Parke County has a net assessed value of roughly \$750 million; a \$.04 cent tax rate increase on property tax would cover the cost of the repairs. Another option would be a combination of a property tax increase along with the use of CEDIT funds.
 - Engineering estimates would need to go through a bid process before an engineer can be selected.
 - County Attorney John Asbury indicated the county would need a referendum if the repairs exceed \$2 million.
- Highway Superintendent Randy Norman stated the gradall for the highway department sustained major damage due to the equipment catching on fire. Norman estimates the gradall was worth \$20,000.00 - \$25,000.00. To date, no quote has been received from the insurance company, however an estimate of damage in the amount of \$35,184.00 was received from Southeastern Equipment. Norman discussed options with the Council including the possibility of using Cumulative Bridge Funds to cover the expenditure of new gradall with a cost of approximately \$353,000.00.
- Parke County Sheriff D. Michael Eslinger reports:
 - The jail count is 58 with 45 County, 10 Department of Corrections, 1 Away and 2 out of county hold.
 - Presented Report of Collections, Uniform Crime Report, Commissary Fund 2014 Semi-Annual Report and Department of Correction billing for May 2014.
 - 2 new jail officers have been hired and are currently in training.
 - Anticipating a budget shortfall for prisoner medical and dental. Will advise council of budget shortages at the next Council meeting.
- Randy Mosely of Ivy Tech introduced himself as site manager.
 - Invited everyone to come in and see the changes made to the Learning Center.
 - Fall class schedule will offer between 15-20 classes.
 - Renovating facility to offer hi-tech classrooms.
 - Parke County location is working towards offering the same services and classes as the Terre Haute location.
- John Pratt made a motion to accept Rockville Public Library's appointment of Randy Wright to the Library Board with a term from June 1, 2014 thru May 31, 2018. J.B. Butler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Pratt also stated that since the Library district has been expanded the Council should consider a future Library Board appointment of someone who does not reside in Rockville or Adams Township.
- Auditor Pam Adams:
 - Reported official notice of appointment has been received from Purdue Extension for Amanda Smith as the County Extension Director.
 - Presented the Council the circuit breaker loss report from the Department of Local Government Finance. All taxing units in the County were impacted by the 1%, 2% and 3% circuit breakers or the Over 65 circuit breaker. Adams also provided a memo from the DLGF with information concerning procedures for reallocating circuit breaker losses.

Auditor Pam Adams presented **Ordinance 2014-07** for the Council's consideration this same day and at this same meeting. John Pratt made a motion to adopt on same day and at the same time meeting **Ordinance 2014-07**. The motion was seconded by Tom Stambaugh and carried unanimously.

The Ordinance **amends Parke County Ordinance 2009-13, beginning January 1, 2015 and until further amended by ordinance**. The Ordinance states all Passenger Cars, Trucks of less than 11,000 pounds declared gross weight (DGW) and Motorcycles and Motor Driven Cycles registered in Parke County, Indiana that are now subject to an excise tax (in lieu of a property tax), shall also be subject to an annual Excise Surtax, in the amount of 10%, to be paid with the registration of said motor vehicle; the Excise Surtax of a vehicle shall not be less than Seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) as provided by IC 6-3.5-4-2. The Ordinance further includes a

schedule of eight (8) classes of vehicles which shall be subject to an annual Wheel tax, to be paid with the registration of said motor vehicle. John Pratt made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-07. The motion was seconded by Thomas E. Stambaugh and carried unanimously.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

- Due to IN911 eligible expense guidance policy, an agreement was reached between Auditor Pam Adams and E911 Director Amy Hensley; IDACS charges will be paid from the Statewide 9-1-1 Fund and E911 cell phone charges will be paid from the County's utilities account in the CAGIT Certified Shares Fund.

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James A. Rahn, President

John K. Pratt, Vice President

J. B. Butler

(absent)
Larry Gambaiani

Rick Patton

Tom Stambaugh

G. Max Williams

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by John Pratt and seconded by Rick Patton, the meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

James A. Rahn, President

ATTEST:

Pam Adams, Auditor