

COUNTY COUNCIL
August 13th, 2015

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Council convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, August 13th, 2015 to consider additional requests in excess of the Budget allowed for 2015, and to conduct such other business as may be properly brought before the Council.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Council members present were John K. Pratt, President; Larry Gambaiani, Vice President; Jack B. Butler, James E. Howard, Rick Patton, Thomas E. Stambaugh, Roy Wrightsman, Pam Adams; Auditor and Rusty Ratcliff, 3rd Deputy Auditor. Also present were Katie Potter, Larry Bemis, Mary Jo Harkrider, Jim St. Clair, Mike Strack, Justin Cole, Jason Frazier, Geoffrey Canfield, Leah Stout, Diana Hazlett, Mary A. Gregg and Greg Mitchell.
- III. READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on July 9th, 2015 were approved upon a motion made by Thomas E. Stambaugh and seconded by Jack B Butler.
- IV. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The Council considered additional appropriation requests as published in the newspaper July 29th, 2015. Council President John K. Pratt 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 2015, 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: Roy Wrightsman made a motion to approve the additional appropriations as advertised on July 29th, 2015 and the motion was seconded by Thomas E Stambaugh and carried unanimously.

FUND/ DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
Parke County Plat Book Fund		
Major Budget Classification / Capital Outlays / Books and Binders 1181-00-04-7000	\$ 1,604.24	\$ 1,604.24
Total for Parke County Plat Book Fund	\$ 1,604.24	\$ 1,604.24
RDC West Central Parke TIF District Fund		
Major Budget Classification / Other Services & Charges / Service Contracts 4500-00-03-5080	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 49,000.00
Total for RDC West Central Parke TIF District Fund	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 49,000.00
Parke County Highway Fund		
Major Budget Classification / Maintenance & Repairs / Supplies / Bituminous Materials 1176-02-02-3111	\$ 89,000.00	\$ 89,000.00
Total for Parke County Highway Fund	\$ 89,000.00	\$ 89,000.00

- V. 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:

Larry Gambaiani made a motion to adopt the following transfer; the motion was seconded by Rick Patton and carried unanimously.

Amount: \$14,500.00
 From: 1170-00-01-1804
 Public Safety/ Personal Services/ Overtime Salaries EMT's
 To: 1170-00-01-1802
 Public Safety/ Personal Services/ Part Time EMT's

- VI. JURY PAY:** The Auditor presented the Parke County Clerk's certification of jury fees collected for July 2015, and requested \$162.22 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 \$162.22 from the County Users Fund to the Jury Fee Fund. The motion was seconded by James E. Howard and unanimously carried.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS: The Council took the following actions:

- Reviewed the July 2015 Auditor's Monthly Financial Statement.
- Reviewed Arsee Engineers, Inc. - Field Reports #006, #007 and #008
- Reviewed Arsee Engineers, Inc. - Meeting Progress Report #4 and field report

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Roy Wrightsman provided the Council with a report for the Parke County Redevelopment Commission. Wrightsman discussed updates from the partnership including: indoor farming, Senate Bill 531, revolving loan fund, the potential expansion of Scott Pet products and a possible Beefcake Burgers franchise. Wrightsman stated the Commission adopted a resolution to release AV from the East Central TIF District back to the taxing units in 2016 pay 2017. The August Redevelopment Commission meeting has been cancelled.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- The new Parke County Parks and Recreation Superintendent, Greg Mitchell, was introduced to the council.
- Parke County Assessor Katie Potter reported the real estate assessment appeals are down forty-three from last year with five remaining unsettled and one to go to PTBOA. Potter also reported the Board of Commissioners requested she obtain additional information before entering into an agreement with the Schneider Corporation to put Parke County property record information on the Beacon website. Potter has been in touch with the State Board of Accounts and is awaiting a response.
- Parke County Recorder Mary Jo Harkrider reported looking into e-recording which could reduce the time wasted with rejections and possibly be cheaper and easier than traditional recording.
- Parke County Treasurer Mary Alice Gregg reported there were 175 properties certified for the 2015 tax sale. Gregg stated she recently attended Treasurer's conference where the issue of Treasurer's offices receiving mail with no post marks was discussed.
- Parke County Sheriff Justin Cole:
 - Introduced Deputies Leah Stout and Geoffrey Canfield to the Council.
 - Reported the jail count as thirty-six county and seven out of county inmates.
 - Sheriff Justin Cole is looking into increasing the Tax Warrant Fees from \$13.00 to \$25.00. The increase would be collected from the individual being served and would be receipted into the Police Pension Fund.
- Councilmen John Pratt and Larry Gambaiani praised the Sheriff's Department, Police Departments, Ambulance Service personnel and everyone for this year's National Night Out.
- Councilman Pratt reported the need to replace sheet metal on the Courthouse. The estimated cost to replace the sheet was estimated to be \$151,000.00. Approval to fund the replacement was approved upon a motion made by Jim Howard and seconded by Jack B. Butler.
- Reviewed an Ordinance from Plainfield, Indiana regarding prohibiting registered sex offenders from their parks.
- Auditor Pam Adams delivered the 2016 budget booklets and gave an overview on the contents.

X. OLD BUSINESS:

- The council reviewed the IDNR Report for the Highway 36 Bridge over the Wabash River at Montezuma.
- Clerk Diana Hazlett gave a verbal financial report on the County Health Insurance.

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John K. Pratt, President

Larry Gambaiani, Vice President

Jack B. Butler

James E. Howard

Rick Patton

Thomas E. Stambaugh

Roy Wrightsman

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by Jack B. Butler and seconded by Jim Howard, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

John K. Pratt, President

ATTEST:

Pam Adams, Auditor