

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL
November 2, 2013

The meeting of the Elkhart County Council was called to order by Sheriff Brad Rogers at 8:00 a.m., in Room 104 of the County Administrative Building, Goshen, Indiana. Members present were David L. Hess, David E. Foutz, Randall D. Yohn, and Thomas W. Stump. Absent were: John K. Letherman, David M. Ashe and Darryl J. Riegsecker.

Also present were Pauline Graff, County Auditor; Craig Buche, County Attorney; Tom Byers, County Administrator and Mike Yoder, Commissioner.

MINUTES: Approval of minutes for September 14, 2013.
Approval of Budget 1st Reading Minutes
Approval of Budget 2nd Reading Minutes

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved as received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMISSIONERS: Yoder gave short report. (*See details)
COUNCIL: No report
AUDITOR: No report
SHERIFF: No report

Commissioner Mike Yoder discussed Intergovernmental Forum options to consider for taxing options. One option is the Food & Beverage Tax, and the second option is the Circuit Breaker Relief. Mike Yoder requested a motion to go forward in contacting the Legislatures about this issue.

On motion made by Stump seconded by Foutz and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

EDC MATTERS: Confirmatory Resolution No. CC-2013-16 and proposed Commitment and Payment Agreement for Pison Stream Solutions Tax Phase-In Project.

*Item postponed until the December meeting per Craig Buche, advising the paperwork has not been completed at this time.

HUMAN RESOURCE MATTERS:

***The following items were tabled until the December County Council Meeting.**

A. Sheriff

1. General Fund (001-105-4104): Request title change of Staff Lieutenant (Adamson) to Patrol Lieutenant, JF7, no change in pay rate, effective 11-4-13.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

B. Highway

1. Highway (112-202/204):
 - a. Request reclassification of Traffic Supervisor position (vacant), Acct 4104, PG6/JF3, to Working Foreman, Acct 4110, PG5/JF2, MP, no rate change.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

- b. Request individual rate increases for 3 current employees in the “step” program: Highway Mechanic (Hinken), PG4/JF2, Market Premium, from \$18.62 to \$18.87, effective 11-4-13, with up to a 3% PIP increase in 2014. Working Foremans (Miller/Lyles), PG5/JF2, Market Premium, \$16.95 to \$17.20, effective 11/4/13; step 1 to \$17.88, effective 3/10/14; step 2 to \$18.59, effective 3/9/15, no PIP increase.

On motion made by Lucchese and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

2. Cumulative Bridge (335-212-4109): Request reclassification of Secretary III (vacant), PG4/JF1, to Administrative Assistant, PG4/JF1, and move position from Cumulative Bridge to Highway Administration (112-201-4108).

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

C. Treasurer

1. General Fund (001-103-4109): Request reclassification and individual rate increase from Clerk II (Fore), PG1/JF1, to Clerk III, PG2/JF1, with a 6% rate increase, from \$10.40/hr to \$11.02/hr. Effective 11-4-13.

On motion made by Lucchese and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Lucchese, the CCPC approved the change in career development program positions, 4-0.

D. Park and Recreation

1. Revision of Career Development Guidelines for Park Services – no impact to employees or pay rates.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

E. Court Services

1. Adult Probation User Fees (165-980-4108): Request exception to policy to allow employee (A. Yoder), Victim Assistance Advocate, PG5/JF4, to transfer to Probation Assistant, PG3/JF4, at top of hiring range, \$12.95/hr. Effective 10-20-13.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

F. Prosecuting Attorney

1. General Fund (001-108-4105): Request individual rate increases for probable cause attorneys, from \$100 pp to \$150 pp, effective 12-15-13.
2. Incentive Prosecuting Attorney (148-980-4733): Request individual rate increases for Business Manager (Willard) from \$200 pp to \$300 pp and Administrative Manager (Benedix) from \$50 pp to \$100 pp, effective 12-15-13.

On motion made by Stump and seconded by Lucchese, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

G. Health Department

1. MCH Program Income (126-614): Request to use program income funds to cover the lump sum PIP increases for employees in the WIC/MCH/Breastfeeding grant, for the first 9 months of 2014. Total

dollars to be appropriated \$19,525.65 (wages and fringe benefits), effective 12-15-13. Employees that are already paid from program income, will receive a rate increase, not a lump sum.

On motion made by Yohn and seconded by Stump, the CCPC recommended approval, 4-0.

II. Approval of CCPC Meeting Schedule for 2014

CCPC recommended the meeting dates be changed to Tuesdays, instead of Thursday. Review and approval will take place at the November CCPC meeting.

III. Miscellaneous Items

No items.

Added Item:

Auditor

~~1. General Fund (001-102-4129): Request to establish one time temporary part time rate of \$18.94/hr for training of new Property Compliance Manager, up to 8 hours total, effective 10-21-13.~~

~~**This item was added after the CCPC meeting, therefore the CCPC recommended approval by email, 4-0. See attached memo.**~~

The preceding Emergency Salary Ordinances were duly adopted.

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ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Elkhart County, Elkhart County, Indiana, that the proper legal officers will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year at their regular meeting place at Room 104, 117 N. 2nd Street, Goshen, Indiana, at 8:00 o'clock a.m. on Saturday, November 2, 2013

GENERAL FUND

Planning & Development

Personal Services 2,700.00

Emergency Management

Personal Services 1,295.00

Elkhart Superior Court No. 1

Personal Services 11,500.00

Supplies 1,500.00

TOTAL ELKHART SUPERIOR COURT NO. 1 13,000.00

Elkhart Superior Court No. 5

Personal Services 7,694.00

Court Magistrate Goshen

Personal Services 500.00

Court Services

Personal Services 1,000.00

Community Corrections

Personal Services 1,320.00

TOTAL GENERAL FUND 27,509.00

COUNTY HEALTH OPERATING

Local Health Maintenance Trust Account

Personal Services 28,124.00

Other Services and Charges 8,564.00

TOTAL COUNTY HEALTH OPERATING 36,688.00

ELECTION BOARD VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter Registration

Other Services and Charges 3,100.00

Capital Outlays 6,300.00

TOTAL ELECTION BOARD VOTER REGISTRATION 9,400.00

COUNTY HIGHWAY

Motor Vehicle Highway

Capital Outlays 510,000.00

COUNTY HIGHWAY

General and Undistributed

Personal Services 170,000.00

RAINY DAY

Auditor

Other Services and Charges 800,000.00

LOCAL ROAD AND STREET

Road and Street Maintenance and Repair

Supplies	50,000.00
Other Services and Charges	50,000.00
TOTAL LOCAL ROAD AND STREET	100,000.00

INDIANA HOMELAND SECURITY FNDA GRANT

Emergency Management

Supplies	111.00
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CLERK PERPETUATION

Clerk

Supplies	10,090.00
Other Services and Charges	10,760.00
Capital Outlays	1,485.00
TOTAL CLERK PERPETUATION	22,335.00

CTP GRANT

Community Corrections

Personal Services	823.00
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IDOC GRANT

Community Corrections

Personal Services	6,851.00
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AUDITOR INELIGIBLE DEDUCTION FUND

Auditor

Personal Services	8,750.00
Other Services and Charges	4,500.00
TOTAL AUDITOR INELIGIBLE DEDUCTION FUND	13,250.00

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

Emergency Management

Other Services and Charges	5,000.00
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BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR GRANT

Health Department

Other Services and Charges	92.00
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ELKHART COUNTY STORM WATER UTILITY MS4

Storm Water

Personal Services	1,000.00
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EDIT

County Highway

Other Services and Charges	277,080.00
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<u>Auditor</u>	
Other Services and Charges	1,000,000.00
CUMULATIVE BRIDGE	
<u>County Highway</u>	
Capital Outlays	250,000.00
CUMULATIVE DRAIN	
<u>Surveyor</u>	
Capital Outlays	99,000.00
MAJOR BRIDGE	
<u>County Highway</u>	
Other Services and Charges	750,001.00
Capital Outlays	170,000.00
TOTAL MAJOR BRIDGE	920,001.00
<u>REDUCTIONS</u>	
COUNTY HIGHWAY	
<u>Motor Vehicle Highway</u>	
Capital Outlays	(356,245.00)
CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	
<u>Commissioners</u>	
Capital Outlays	(28,488.00)
CUMULATIVE BRIDGE	
<u>County Highway</u>	
Capital Outlays	(62,595.48)
CUMULATIVE DRAIN	
<u>County Highway</u>	
Capital Outlays	(88,596.05)
MAJOR BRIDGE	
<u>County Highway</u>	
Capital Outlays	(308,705.98)

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local

Government Finance (DLGF). The DLGF will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action taken.

Dated: October 23, 2013

Pauline E. Graff, Elkhart County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION EXPLANATIONS:

A. GENERAL FUND (#001)

1. Planning & Development (132) requests \$2,700 to pay the Supervisor's salary through the end of 2013.

Chris Godlewski explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

2. Emergency Management (137) requests \$1,295.00 for overtime hours from a State Level Exercise deployment. This money is 100% reimbursed by IDHS.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

3. Elkhart Superior Court No. 1 (162) requests \$13,000 for Court staff working to keep up with the work load, Court Reporters pay issues, Law Clerk who passed the Bar Exam and to pay for account usage fee.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

4. Elkhart Superior Court No. 5 (166) requests \$7,694 for additional monies needed for payroll through the end of 2013.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

5. Court Magistrate Goshen (167) requests \$500 for additional monies needed for payroll through the end of 2013.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

6. Court Services (168) withdrew their request for \$1,000.
7. Community Corrections (179) requests \$1,320 for Group Insurance account budget shortage.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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B. COUNTY HEALTH OPERATING (#102)

1. Local Health Maintenance Trust Account (349) requests \$36,688 to pay a Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator to work with and to coordinate pandemic preparedness for Elkhart County.

Dr. Nafziger explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Foutz and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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C. ELECTION BOARD/VOTER REGISTRATION (#106)

1. Voter Registration (191) requests \$6,300 for the purchase of new scanners for Voter Registration to enable the scanning of signatures on voter registration applications.

Chad Clingerman explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

2. Voter Registration (191) requests \$3,100 for monies necessary to continue the Voter Registration Roll clean up and based on actual usage from 2012.

Chad Clingerman explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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D. MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY (#112)

1. General & Undistributed (204) requests \$70,000 to pay a required contribution to PERF and funds needed for overtime worked by mechanics through the end of 2013.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

2. General & Undistributed (204) requests \$100,000 to pay Workman's Comp bill.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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3. Motor Vehicle Highway (980) requests \$510,000 for funds required to replace 2001 Cat Loader, 2002 Cat Loader, 2005 Case Loader and 1991 Dresser Grader.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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E. RAINY DAY (#113)

1. Auditor (980) requests \$800,000 to transfer to General Fund on 12-31-13 if needed for funding.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Stump seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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F. LOCAL ROAD AND STREET (#114)

1. County Highway (222) request \$50,000 for funds required to hire contractors for plowing subdivisions.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

2. County Highway (222) request \$50,000 for funds requested for fuel in the event of a snowy November/December if needed.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Foutz and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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G. INDIANA HOMELAND SECURITY FNDA (#137)

1. Emergency Management (980) requests \$111 for reimbursement of fuel used during an exercise in St. Joseph County.

*Item removed per Auditor due to paperwork being incorrect.

H. CLERK PERPETUATION (#173)

1. Clerk (980) requests \$2,700 for funds to move the Archive Writer from the Recorder's Office to the Archives facility.

Wendy Hudson explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

2. Clerk (980) requests \$1,485 for funds needed to purchase (3) three shelving units for the Circuit Court Clerk's Office.

Wendy Hudson explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

3. Clerk (980) requests \$10,090 for case file folder order for 2014.

Wendy Hudson explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

4. Clerk (980) requests \$8,060 for yearly maintenance contract for Kodak Archive Writer located at Archives and Microfilm.

Wendy Hudson explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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I. CTP GRANT (#209)

1. Community Corrections (980) withdrew original request.

J. IDOC GRANT (#210)

1. Community Corrections (980) withdrew original request.

K. AUDITOR INELIGIBLE DEDUCTION FUND (#223)

1. Auditor (980) requests \$8,750 for funds to cover a bonus to employees who worked on the completion of the Homestead Verification Forms.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

2. Auditor (980) requests \$4,500 for additional postage needed for the Auditor's Office.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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L. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (#225)

1. Emergency Management (980) requests \$5,000 for basic and group training for dispatchers in the event to have to deploy and establish communications. This is 100% reimbursed by IDHS.

Mike Pennington explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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M. BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR (#240)

1. Health Department (980) request \$92 for additional funds for the WIC program for the total funds to match the contracted amount.

Dr. Nafziger explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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N. ELKHART COUNTY STORM WATER UTILITY MS4 (#320)

1. Storm Water Administration (980) requests \$1,000 for additional funds needed for Payroll through the end of the year.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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O. EDIT (#331)

1. County Highway (980) requests \$277,080 for December 31, 2013 Major Moves principle and interest payment County Road 17, 2C.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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2. Auditor (980) requests \$1,000,000.00 to transfer to General Fund on December 31, 2013 if needed.

Pauline Graff explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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P. CUMULATIVE BRIDGE (#335)

1. County Highway (980) requests \$250,000 for funds needed for required bridge inspections. 80% of expenses will be reimbursed by Federal funds.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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Q. CUMULATIVE DRAIN (#337)

1. Surveyor (980) request \$99,000 for funds needed for maintenance work on County Regulated Drains.

Blake Doriot explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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R. MAJOR BRIDGE (#338)

1. County Highway (980) requests \$750,001 for funds needed to make the Major Moves payment due for Six Span Bridge.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

2. County Highway (980) requests \$100,000 for funds required for the design of the Kercher Bridge. The appropriation is for survey, environmental, soil borings, and all other miscellaneous costs related to the design of the bridge.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

3. County Highway (980) requests \$70,000 for funds needed for required bridge inspections. 80% of expenses will be reimbursed by Federal Funds.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinances were then duly adopted.

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REDUCTIONS:

S. MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY (#112)

1. County Highway (980) returns \$356,245 for funds to be re-appropriated for future equipment.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Reduction Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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T. CUMULATIVE CAP DEVELOPMENT (#334)

1. Commissioners (980) return \$28,488 due to shelving project being completed at the Archives Building.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Reduction Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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U. CUMULATIVE BRIDGE (#335)

1. County Highway (980) returns \$24,029.47 due to right of way being completed.
2. County Highway (980) returns \$15,216.01 due to engineering being completed.
3. County Highway (980) returns \$23,350.00 due to this phase of inspections being completed.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Reduction Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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V. CUMULATIVE DRAIN (#337)

1. County Highway (980) returns \$88,596.05 due to unused funds from ditch maintenance projects.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Reduction Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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W. MAJOR BRIDGE (#338)

1. County Highway (980) returns \$151,490.55 for funds not used in the completion of the Six Span Right of Way project.
2. County Highway (980) returns \$157,215.43 for funds not used in the completion of the Prairie Street Bridge project.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

The preceding Emergency Reduction Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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TRANSFER REQUESTS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION

A. GENERAL FUND (#001)

1. Sheriff (105)

From	4205	Photographic Supplies	1,000.00
	4210	Gasoline, Diesel Fuel	51,000.00
	4212	Small Tools & Equipment	4,000.00
	4390	Dues	4,000.00
To	4539	Other Equipment	47,281.00
	4545	Data Processing Hardware	11,719.00

2. Emergency Management (137)

From	4398	Training Programs	435.00
	4397	Education & Conference	500.00
	4390	Dues	290.00
	4315	Printing	116.00
	4312	Postage	50.00
To	4203	Copy Machine	363.00
	4219	Other Operating Supplies	150.00
	4210	Gasoline, Diesel Fuel	564.00
	4221	Repair Parts	148.00
	4214	Uniforms	116.00
	4209	Other Office Supplies	50.00

3. Buildings & Grounds (140)

From	4327	Water and Sewage	12,000.00
To	4111	Service Maintenance Workers	12,000.00

4. Elkhart Circuit Court (160)

From	4206	Law Books	1,400.00
To	4259	Capital Supply Items	1,400.00

5. Courts Magistrate Goshen (167)

From	4209	Other Office Supplies	500.00
To	4118	Excess Hours	500.00

6. Court Services (168)

From	4216	Household	200.00
	4219	Other Operating Supplies	1,000.00
	4240	Food	1,000.00
To	4310	Sustenance	800.00

	4313	Travel Expense	1,400.00
7. Superior Court No. 6 (170)			
From	4209	Other Office Supplies	500.00
	4165	Pauper Attorneys	3,300.00
To	4309	Other Professional Services	2,000.00
	4313	Travel Expense	300.00
	4351	Equipment Lease	1,500.00
8. Superior Court No. 6 Title IV-D Court (171)			
From	4209	Other Office Supplies	500.00
To	4331	Maintenance Service Contracts	500.00
9. GIS Grant (211)			
From	4259	Capital Supply Items	16,949.00
To	4539	Other Equipment	6,585.00
	4545	Data Processing Hardware	9,680.00
	4546	Data Processing Software	684.00
B. COUNTY HEALTH OPERATING (#102)			
1. County Health Operating (340)			
From	4203	Copy Machine Supplies	169.00
	4313	Travel Expense	935.00
	4337	Laundry, Cleaning, Custodial	400.00
	4390	Dues	79.00
	4309	Other Professional Services	100.00
To	4309	Other Professional Services	106.00
	4398	Training Programs	63.00
	4541	Office Furniture and Fixtures	1,514.00
C. COUNTY HIGHWAY (#112)			
1. General & Undistributed (204)			
From	4532	Machinery and Equipment	52,000.00
To	4151	PERF	52,000.00
D. MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH GRANT (#126)			
1. Program Income (614)			
From	4545	Data Processing Hardware	6,000.00
To	4217	Medical	6,000.00
E. WOMAN INFANT & CHILD GRANT (#127)			
1. WIC (612)			
From	4219	Other Operating Supplies	1,100.00
To	4315	Printing	1,100.00
F. AUDITOR INELIGIBLE DEDUCTION FUND (#223)			
1. Auditor (980)			
From	4345	Rent-Copy Machine	750.00
To	4331	Maintenance Service Contracts	750.00

On motion made by Stump seconded by Foutz and unanimously carried, the Council approved these requests.

The preceding Emergency Transfer Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Approval for the 2013 Restatement of the Sheriff Department Merit Retirement Plan.

Craig Buche tabled this request until the December meeting.

- (b) Approval of Ordinance No. CC-2013-18 Establishing Administrative/Liability Expense Fund within Landfill Operating Fund.

In accordance with Ordinance CC-2013-18, Tom Byers presented the County Commissioners recommendation regarding the distribution of landfill tipping fees in 2014 to the Closure Cost Fund and Capital Reserve Fund. The recommendation was to continue the current practice of distributing \$.50 a ton to the Closure Cost Fund and \$1.00 a ton to the Capital Reserve Fund.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the adoption of this ordinance was approved by the Council.

On motion made by Stump seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

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- (c) Presentation from the Elkhart County Extension Office Celebrating the work they have accomplished.

Robert Kelly explained this work to the Council.

- (d) Approval of 2014 Elkhart County Drug-Free Partnership Recommendations for Drug-Free Community Funds.

Kris Krueger explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Stump and unanimously carried, the Council approved this request.

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AUDIENCE ITEMS

Blake Doriot spoke in reference to the US Highway 6 and County Road 29 project in which the State of Indiana Highway Department is constructing a bridge US Highway 6 at the County

Road 29 intersection. Blake is very displeased that there is no access road in these construction plans. He advised that he believes the Benton Township area is a “Fly Over Zone” and that the residents wishes are not heard or considered by the State Highway. Blake is requesting the County Council to send INDOT a letter and request them to seriously consider an access point.

Blake was directed by Vice President David L. Hess to draft a letter and present it to the County Council members, and those members who wish to support the cause can sign to support the issue if they wish.

Norman Miller then spoke on the above mentioned issue and voiced his displeasure in the construction of the County Road 29 bridge over US Highway 6, with no access.

Wendy Hudson from the Clerk’s Office then spoke of the recent shift in the vote center plan for the 2014 Voting Year. She advised that the State of Indiana will not certify any election tabulation equipment until the Federal Government has certified the equipment. She stated that due to the recent government shut-down there is no date for when this equipment will be certified. Therefore, she plans to move forward with vote centers to be equipped with touch screen. This presentation was for informational purpose only.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m. on motion by Stump seconded by Foutz and unanimously carried.

Anita Mock
Recording Secretary

A complete recording of this meeting is available in the Auditor’s Office. The recording of this meeting will be available for one year and then erased.

