

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL
2015 Budget - Second Reading & Adoption
October 1, 2013
8:30 a.m.

The Elkhart County Council was called to order by Council President John K. Letherman at 8:30 A.M., in Room 104, County Administrative Building, Goshen, Indiana, for the second reading and adoption of the 2015 Budget. Other members present were Vice President David L. Hess, David E. Foutz, Randall D. Yohn, David M Ashe, Darryl J. Riegsecker and Thomas W. Stump.

Also present were Pauline E. Graff, Auditor; Dawn R. Truex, First Deputy Auditor; Tom Byers, County Administrator; and Carol Caviness, Director of Personnel.

- Second Reading 2015 Budget

Truex presented the second reading of the 2014 Budget. Truex read the approved individual budget totals and reductions previously made by the Council.
(Budget Form 4-A, Column 2)

- 2015 Net Tax Levies and Tax Rates

Graff reviewed the reductions that were made during budget work sessions. Graff then read the net amounts of tax levies and tax rates by funds, using the estimated valuations shown on the bottom of the 17-line statement and on Column 2 of Budget Form 4-B.

- 2015 Salary Ordinance No.CC-2014-21

Caviness briefly presented the 2015 Salary Ordinance including non-exempt pay grade ranges, exempt pay grade ranges and part-time hourly rates. Also approved was the 3% increase for ALL employees, classified and non-classified.

On motion made by Stump seconded by Riegsecker and unanimously carried, the Council approved the 2015 Salary Ordinance in its entirety.

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- Approval of Ordinance No. CC-2014-20 Recorders Perpetuation Fund.

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

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Letherman asked for a motion to adopt the 2015 budget and 2015 levies and rates as presented.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the Council adopted the 2015 budget and 2015 levies and rates and closed the second reading.

The County Council reviewed the 2015 Council Meeting Schedule.

This item was tabled until the November 8, 2014 County Council Meeting.

- Approval of Resolution No. CC-2014-16 Resolution of the Elkhart County Council Supporting the Supplemental County Adjusted Gross Income Tax in Elkhart County for Property Tax Relief and Public Safety at a rate of .25% Local Option Income Tax and .25% Public Safety.

Audience participation comments and concerns.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Yohn, a roll-call was requested: Stump nay, Riegsecker nay, Ashe, nay, Yohn aye, Foutz aye, Hess aye and Letherman aye. Resolution No. CC-2014-16 carried 4-3.

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Tax Phase In Public Hearing

Motion to Open Public Hearing.

On motion made by Yohn seconded by Riegsecker and unanimously carried, the Council opened a Public Hearing.

There were several questions from the Council and no questions from the audience.

Motion to Close Public Hearing.

On motion made by Riegsecker seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the Council opened a Public Hearing.

- Approval of Resolution CC-2014-19 Waiver of Non-Compliance for Tax Phase In for Champagne Metals.

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

- Approval of Resolution CC-2014-18 Setting Forth Final Action in Determining that the Qualifications for an Economic Revitalization Area Have Been Met and Confirming Resolution No. CC-2014-14 for Smoker Craft.
- Approval of Resolution for Commitment and Payment Agreement.

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

- Approval of Resolution CC-2014-17 Setting Forth Final Action in Determining that the Qualifications for an Economic Revitalization Area Have Been Met and Confirming Resolution No. CC-2014-13 for Diversified Machine Bristol, LLC.
- Approval of Resolution for Commitment and Payment Agreement.

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

Adjourn

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the Council adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Recording Secretary
Anita S. Mock

Secretary's Note: The complete recording of this budget reading is available in the Auditor's Office for one year.