

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL
May 9, 2015

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 President John K. Letherman, Vice President David L. Hess, David E. Foutz, Randall D. Yohn, Darryl J. Riegsecker and Thomas W. Stump. Absent was David M Ashe.

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

MINUTES: Approval of minutes for April 11, 2015.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMISSIONERS: No report.
COUNCIL: No report.
AUDITOR: No report.
SHERIFF: No report

EDC MATTERS:

HUMAN RESOURCE MATTERS:

A. Veterans Affairs

1. General Fund (1000-134): Request to establish part time professional rate, 41200, \$25.00/hr, not to exceed 30 hours per week and 120 calendar days. Effective retroactive to 4-24-15.
(see email dated April 22, 2015 from Tom Byers to Council)

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

B. Commissioners

1. Lead Hazard Control Grant (8105-980): Request to establish part time office and clerical rate, 41220, \$15.00/hr. Effective retroactive to 4-5-15.

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

The preceding Emergency Salary Ordinances were then 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, May 9, 2015.

EDIT

Commissioners

Other Services and Charges 201,004.00

County Highway

Capital Outlays 326,500.00

TOTAL GENERAL FUND 527,504.00

LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND

Health

Department

Other Services and Charges 400.00

LOCAL ROAD AND STREET

Road and Street Maintenance and

Repair

Supplies 111,000.00

Other Services and Charges 210,000.00

TOTAL LOCAL ROAD AND STREET 321,000.00

LOCAL ROAD AND STREET

County Highway

Capital Outlays 106,000.00

MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY

County Highway

Capital Outlays 50,000.00

PARK & RECREATION NON-REVERTING OPERATING

Park Department

Supplies 6,000.00

Other Services and Charges 7,500.00

TOTAL FOR PARK & RECREATION NON-REVERTING 13,500.00

ELKHART COUNTY STORM WATER UTILITY MS4

County Highway

Capital Outlays 50,000.00

PARK & RECREATION DONATION FUND

Park Department

Personal Services 8,775.00

Capital Outlays 53,225.00

TOTAL PARK & RECREATION DONATION FUND 62,000.00

REDUCTIONS

LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND

Health

Department

Other Services and Charges -400.00

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: April 29, 2015.

Pauline E. Graff, Elkhart County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION EXPLANATIONS:

*** ELKHART COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
Additional request for 25,000.00 for recycling bins to be placed at Landfill for e-waste and associated costs. (This request was not advertised when previously requested.)

Gordon Lord explained this request to the Council.

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

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A. EDIT (#1112)

1. Commissioners (980) request \$201,004.00 for the 2015 contribution to the Elkhart County Economic Development Corporation.

Dorinda Heiden-Guss explained this request to the Council.

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

2. County Highway (980) request \$326,500 for funds to replace funds expended to replace a damaged signal pole at County Road 10 and County Road 17, for preliminary engineering at County Road 13 and County Road 18, to replace signs along County Roads and for construction inspection for sign replacement program.

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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B. LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND (#1159)

1. Health Department (349) request \$400 for funds out of the telephone account per the request of the Auditor.

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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C. LOCAL ROAD AND STREET (#1169)

1. Road and Street Maintenance and Repair (222) requests \$321,000 for funds needed for vehicle and equipment labor and parts.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

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

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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2. County Highway (980) requests \$106,000 for funds needed to replace traffic counter tubes and supplies, and to repair and calibrate retroreflectometer. Also, funds for road paving/chip seal from surplus funds through budget cuts.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

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

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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D. MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY (#1176)

1. County Highway (980) request \$50,000 for funds required to sweep streets and clean catch basins.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

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

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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E. PARK & RECREATION NON-REVERTING OPERATING (#1179)

1. Park Department (980) request \$13,500 for funds to purchase packaging materials for grain sold at the Bonneyville Mill and to contract a web design company to assist with redesign of park department web page.

Diane Madison 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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F. ELKHART COUNTY STORM WATER UTILITY MS4 (#1197)

1. County Highway (202) requests \$50,000 for funds required to sweep streets and clean catch basins in compliance with Storm Water requirements.

Jeff Taylor explained this request to the Council.

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

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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G. PARK & RECREATION DONATION FUND (#4909)

1. Park Department (980) requests \$62,000 for funds to set up the accounting from the ECCF DeFries Endowment for the continuing maintenance and development of the DeFries Garden at the River Preserve County Park.

Diane Madison explained this request to the Council.

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

The preceding Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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REDUCTIONS:

H. LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND (#1206)

- 1. Health Department (980) requests \$400 reduction in the telephone account per the request of the Auditor.

On motion made by Yohn 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. PRISONER REIMBURSEMENT FOR INCARCERATION

1. Community Corrections

From	43630	Equipment Leasing	10,000.00
To	42090	Office Supplies	5,000.00
	42195	Operating Supplies	5,000.00

B. HEALTH

1. Health Department

		Maintenance/Service	
From	43510	Contract	2,500.00
To	44535	Data Processing Hardware	2,500.00

C. STIMULUS REVENUE - LEAD HAZARD

1. Commissioners

From	43090	Other Professional Services	24,100.00
To	41120	Professional	10,000.00
	41220	Part time Clerical	11,000.00
	44510	Other Equipment	3,100.00

D. INDIANA TOBACCO PREVENTION AND CESSATION

1. Health Department

From	43660	Rental - Other	165.00
To	44535	Data Processing Equipment	165.00

On motion made by Hess seconded by Stump 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 of Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for Brad Newcomer, Nappanee Public Library.

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

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- (b) Approval of Elkhart Library Board appointment for Carlos Esteves. Term Expires 6/30/2019, 4-year term.

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

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- (c) Approval of Ordinance No. CC-2015-09. Ordinance Of The Elkhart County Council Approving The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds By The Elkhart Public Library and Approving An Additional Appropriation For The Elkhart Public Library Regarding Various Improvements To The Main Library Location Of The Library. (1st Reading)

Philip Faccenda from Barnes and Thornburg and Lisa Guedea Carreno from the Elkhart Library explained this request to the Council.

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

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(d) Presentation by Chad Carey from Baugo Township requesting Public Safety Funds.

(e) Presentation by Mark Grabill from Concord Township requesting Public Safety Funds.

***Items (d) and (e) were presented at the same time. Baugo Township requested \$500,000 and Concord Township requested \$800,000 to enhance their abilities. Following a lengthy discussion both Townships withdrew their request.

(f) Approval of Resolution No. CC-2015-10. Resolution Of The Elkhart County Council Approving The Issuance Of Bonds Of The Elkhart County Redevelopment District.

Craig Buche and Todd Samuelson explained this request to the Council.

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

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(g) Approval to have Public Hearing to Increase Tax Rate for Cumulative Cap Development Fund.

Tom Byers explained this request to the Council.

On motion made by Stump seconded by Foutz, the Council approved this request. Hess voted nay.

AUDIENCE ITEMS

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m. on motion by Yohn seconded by Riegsecker 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.

