

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES – June 27, 2019**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 5:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were: President David Etienne, Luke Thomas, Earla Williams, Charlie Baumeister, Lynn Fulkerson, Danny Bolin and Steve Goodson. A media representative from the Perry County News was present and also Council Attorney, S. Rod Acchiardo. Sheriff Alan Malone was also present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of May 16, 2019 (work session) and regular meeting of May 23, 2019 had been mailed to each council member for their review. Danny made the motion to approve the minutes and Luke seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-1 (Steve abstained) for May 16th minutes and 7-0 for May 23rd minutes.

TRANSFERS

County Treasurer Paul Alvey requested a transfer of \$4,260.00 from First Deputy Salary to Clerical Assistant within the County General Fund. Paul said this was needed to maintain staffing. Charlie made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Earla. Motion carried 7-0.

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, requested \$426.77 to be transferred from Travel and \$1,333.23 from Salt to Temporary/Seasonal salary. Steve commented that this is to get extra help during the summer months. Steve made the motion to approve the request, second made by Danny. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

CC-19-5

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM ONE MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATION TO ANOTHER MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATION IN THE FOLLOWING NAMED BUDGET; NOW THEREFORE:

SEC. 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS BE MADE IN THE FOLLOWING MADE BUDGET:

COUNTY GENERAL FUND

TRANSFER \$ 4,260.00
FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-003-1000.12 FIRST DEPUTY SALARY
TO: ACCOUNT #1000-003-1000.16 CLERICAL ASST. \$ 4,260.00
WITHIN: TREASURER'S BUDGET

PERRY COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND

TRANSFER \$ 1,760.00
FROM: ACCOUNT #1176-530-3000.22 TRAVEL \$ 426.77
FROM: ACCOUNT #1176-531-2000.43 CALCIUM
CHORIDE & SALT \$1,333.23
TO: ACCOUNT #1176-531-1000.13 TEMP. SEASONAL \$ 1,760.00
WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY HIGHWAY BUDGET

ADOPTED THIS 27TH DAY OF JUNE, 2019

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LUKE THOMAS /S/
STEVE GOODSON /S/
EARLA J WILLIAMS /S/
DANNY BOLIN /S/
CHARLES A BAUMEISTER /S/
LYNN FULKERSON /S/

ATTEST:

PAMELA L. GOFFINET /S/
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

The County Commissioners requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$50,000.00 for Care of Patients in Institutions from the County General Fund. Administrator Teresa Kanneberg commented that this is for housing juveniles that are in custody. This is a line item that is hard to budget. Teresa said she talked with the Judge about looking into a contract deal like we did a couple years before to help get a discounted rate per bed. Charlie made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Earla. Motion carried 7-0.

Judge Lucy Goffinet requested \$75,000.00 for an additional appropriation for Compensation Pauper Attorney within the County General Fund. It was stated that there have been more arrests due to the drug bust in the County. Lynn made the motion to approve the request, second made by Danny. Motion carried 7-0.

Highway Superintendent Steve Howell requested an additional appropriation of \$74,150.00 for Bridge #132 on County Road #270 within the Cumulative Bridge Fund. Steve explained that this bridge is the worst one the County has and needs to be replaced. He said they try to repair one bridge a year. Luke made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Charlie. Motion carried 7-0.

Sheriff Alan Malone requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$12,750.00 for half payment of a County Police Car within the LIT – Public Safety-Co Share Fund. Alan explained that the other of half payment will come from the Inmate Housing Fund. He commented this a 2018 truck that Spencer County Sheriff’s Office traded in. Sheriff Malone has checked it out and said this is a good deal. It is four wheel drive, only 18,000 miles, and has the remainder of warranty coverage. Alan said they need 4 wheel drives for the dirt roads. This will help get his fleet of cars back to where it should be. He also said the jail staff uses the oldest vehicle daily for transports. Charlie made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Earla. Motion carried 7-0.

Sheriff Alan Malone also requested \$10,000.00 for an additional appropriation for Janitorial/Maintenance Supplies within the LIT-Public Safety-Co Share Fund. Alan stated that things wear out and they try to keep things up in the Jail. Luke made the motion to approve the request, second made by Danny. Motion carried 7-0.

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, requested an additional appropriation of \$50,000.00 for Culverts from the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund. Steve said this line item was cut at budget time and they have used the appropriation that was budgeted. He said there are roads that the culverts need to be replaced. Luke made the motion to approve this additional, seconded by Lynn. Motion carried 7-0.

Assessor Mendy Lassaline requested \$2,800.00 for Appraisal Fee from the 2015 Property Reassessment Fund. This is the remainder to pay for the appraisal of KK Logistics in Troy. The Council approved the down payment last month. Charlie made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Steve. Motion carried 7-0.

Jason Hoch, Perry County Prosecutor, requested \$4,415.39 for Reimbursement-IV-D Incentive within the Pretrial Diversion Fund. Jason stated that there was a Federal Government Audit of the IV-D Child Support. He said every county failed the audit. This would put the money back in the incentive fund that was incorrectly claimed for. Earla made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Charlie. Motion carried 7-0.

Sheriff Alan Malone requested \$12,750.00 for the other half of County Police Car within the Inmate Housing Fund. Luke made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Steve. Motion approved 7-0.

Highway Superintendent Steve Howell requested an additional appropriation of \$602,488.30 for County Road Improvements within the Local Road/Bridge Matching Grant Fund. Steve said this is for the 2018 Community Crossings Grant. He also said that INDOT's share is 75% for the paving. Luke made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Lynn. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 19-CC-07

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO APPROPRIATE MORE MONEY THAN WAS APPROPRIATED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET; NOW, THEREFORE:

SEC. 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE TAXING UNIT THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY ARE HEREBY APPROPRIATED OUT OF THE FUNDS NAMED AND FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED, SUBJECT TO LAWS GOVERNING THE SAME:

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	AYE	NAY
<u>PERRY CO COMMISSIONERS</u>				
#1000-068-3000.91 CARE OF PATIENTS IN INSTITUTIONS	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	7	0
<u>PERRY CIRCUIT COURT</u>				
#1000-232-3000.11 COMPENSATION PAUPER ATTORNEY	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	7	0
COUNTY GENERAL FUND TOTAL:	\$125,000.00	\$125,000.00		

CUMULATIVE BRIDGE FUND

PERRY COUNTY HIGHWAY

#1135-531-3000.99 \$ 74,150.00 \$ 74,150.00 7 0
BR #132 ON CO RD #270

CUMMULATIVE BRIDGE

FUND TOTAL: \$ 74,150.00 \$ 74,150.00

LIT PUBLIC SAFETY – CO SHARE

PERRY COUNTY SHERIFF

#1170-005-4000.43
COUNTY POLICE CAR \$12,750.00 \$ 12,750.00 7 0

PERRY COUNTY JAIL

#1170-380-2000.31
JANITORIAL /MAINTENANCE
SUPPLIES \$10,000.00 \$ 10,000.00 7 0

LIT PUBLIC SAFETY

FUND TOTAL \$22,750.00 \$ 22,750.00

MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY FUND

PERRY COUNTY HIGHWAY

#1176-531-2000.32 \$ 50,000.00 \$ 50,000.00 7 0
CULVERTS

MOTOR VEHICLE

HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL:\$ 50,000.00 \$ 50,000.00

PROPERTY REASSESSMENT

PERRY COUNTYASSESSOR

#1188-008-3000.16 \$ 2,800.00 \$ 2,800.00 7 0
APPRAISAL FEE

PROPERTY REASSESSMENT 1188

FUND TOTAL: \$ 2,800.00 \$ 2,800.00

PRETRIAL DIVERSION FUND

PERRY COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

#2502-009-4000.99 REIMBURSEMENT –
IV-D INCENTIVE \$ 4,415.39 \$ 4,415.39 7 0

PRETRIAL DIVERSION

FUND TOTAL \$ 4,415.39 \$ 4,415.39

INMATE HOUSING FUND

PERRY COUNTY SHERIFF

#4929-005-4000.43 COUNTY
POLICE CAR \$ 12,750.00 \$ 12,750.00 7 0

INMATE HOUSING

FUND TOTAL \$ 12,750.00 \$ 12,750.00

**LOCAL RD/BR MATCHING
GRANT FUND**

PERRY COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT
#9141-534-4000.46 \$ 602,488.30 \$602,488.30 7 0
CO RD IMPROVEMENTS

**LOCAL ROAD/BRIDGE
MATCHING GRANT
FUND TOTAL: \$ 602,488.30 \$602,488.30**

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POSITION REQUEST – IV-D CHILD SUPPORT

Prosecutor Jason Hoch came before the Council requesting to fill and change the part time Administrative Position in the 4D Child Support budget to full time. He informed the Council that currently we pay two part time employees for a total of 38 hours and full time would be 35 hours a week plus benefits. The rate he is setting the position at would be \$12.28 per hour. Jason stated that they have 740 open cases at this time. There was discussion between Jason and the Council on this issue. David brought up if the office could get by with staying at part time work. He said the Council is worried about putting someone on with insurance coverage and they have been trying to cut down on full time work. David also brought up that this position is six months paid from County General and six months from Prosecutor IV-D Incentive fund. David wanted to know if the IV-D Incentive fund will be able to cover for a full time position. Jason said he needs to recheck the figures for the future years. Charlie made the motion to table the full time request until the August meeting, seconded by Steve. Motion carried 7-0.

PERRY COUNTY 4H COUNCIL REQUEST

Perry County 10 year 4-Her, Madelyn Peter, came before the Council explaining how 4-H has so many opportunities for all those involved. She said it has taught her leadership skills, hold offices in clubs, travelling to different places expense free. She said without 4-H she would not have been able to do all the things she has been involved in and learned about. Leader Pam Hilgenhold, also a 10 year 4-Her and 30 year leader, emphasized the opportunities available to future 4-Hers in our County. Leadership is a big one and speaking in front of the public like Madelyn just did. She said we want to keep 4-H alive and that they need to continue having the County’s support. This is a good purpose for young individuals. She asked to consider the \$10,000.00 they are asking in next year’s budget.

PROPOSAL ON INCOME TAX CHANGES

David informed the public that the Council had a work session on the proposed income tax change on May 16, 2019. He said they were looking at changing Section 5 of the Ordinance from 2012, about not being able to rescind or change the current rate of the LIT-Special Legislation fund. David said by doing this it only gives the opportunity to change the rates in the future. Charlie said he was concerned if this would have any effect on future bond rates. Attorney Rod Acchiardo commented that he didn't know. It depends on how conservative the Council will be. Charlie said he knows other County groups have put red flags up of changes. Rod said what is being done now is to give the ability to change the rates if you want to. The first step to do is change the Ordinance. Steve said he is ok with the Ordinance change, just not the reduction yet. Luke made the motion to remove Section 5 for Ordinance O-CC-12-3, seconded by Charlie. Motion carried 7-0.

TAX ABATEMENTS- ANNUAL REVIEW

Auditor Pam Goffinet informed the Council about the change in process on certifying the County's tax abatements for taxes 2019 pay 2020 with the filing of the CF-1's. This is the same process as last year that annually, the abated company is to file a CF-1 with the corresponding entity for which they filed a certified SB-1. The CF-1's have to be filed by May 15th or by extension if granted for each year to stay in compliance with their original abatement filed.

Auditor Goffinet informed the Council that she had received all the abatements that are filed by the County and they are: Indiana Municipal Power Agency Personal Property, and Real and Personal Property of ATTC. She commented saying they were in compliance as to filing their CF-1's on time. David said he felt they appeared to all be compliant when comparing their SB-1's to the CF-1's. They have over achieved on salaries and employees. Pam informed them that they could vote for each separately or all at one time. Steve made the motion to approve the CF-1 filed by Indiana Municipal Power Agency, seconded by Earla. Motion carried 7-0. Lynn made the motion to approve all the CF-1's filed by ATTC, seconded by Danny. Motion carried 7-0. (All forms are filed in the Auditor's office)

MISCELLANEOUS

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, had a letter of support for the Council to sign for the Community Crossings Matching Grant Fund. Steve said he expects our local share of the costs for application #2019-2 to be \$142,506.51. He said we have the local funding available to provide this match. Luke made the motion to sign the letter of support, seconded by Lynn. Motion carried 7-0.

Extension Agent, Cathy Boerste, gave an update report on the programs and activities that the Extension office has done.

Jim Carter asked the Council if they had a copy of the list of pipe that can be bought at Can Clay. He wanted to know if this list has been made public. The Council informed him that he needs to ask the Redevelopment Commission.

Chris VanNote spoke up about the Redevelopment Commission taking on the project of Can Clay. She wants to know who is responsible for the animals that come from there. She said there are about 200 cats, plus raccoons and possums. She said there needs to be a plan made. Luke said that she needs to inform the Redevelopment Commission.

Auditor Goffinet informed the Council that legislation has changed again to allow the President of the Council to be paid more than the other members. She needs to know what the Council wants to do for budgeting preparation. Charlie made the motion to keep all the salaries the same, seconded by Steve. Motion carried 7-0.

Charlie spoke to the Council about the recent Redevelopment Commission meeting. He said the Council is responsible for funding repairs in the future, not just next year. This is referring to the RDC talking about terminating TIF #1, Courthouse TIF, early. Charlie said they need to come up with a prepared solution because the TIF does end in 2025 if not sooner. He would like a smaller committee formed to look at options after budget time. Luke also said that the budgets are the Council's responsibility. Luke said he supports what Charlie said and that we do need to have a plan. There was some public input on this topic and lots of discussion with the Council about TIF #1. Getting back to the subject, Luke made the motion to form a committee, seconded by Lynn. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business, Luke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Danny seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0, with adjournment at 6:15 p.m.

Minutes approved this 25th day of July, 2019.

President, Perry County Council

*Minutes prepared by:
Pamela L Goffinet, Perry County Auditor*