

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES – July 27, 2017**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 4:30 p.m. as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were: President Steve Goodson, John Taylor, Jody French, Danny Bolin, David Etienne, J.R, Flynn, and Tom Hauser. A media representative from the Perry County News was present along with Council Attorney James Tyler.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of June 22nd had been mailed to each council member for their review. J.R. made the motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Tom. Motion carried 6-0 with 1 abstaining and 1 partial abstaining up to when he attended the meeting.

TRANSFERS

Assessor Mendy Lassaline requested a transfer of \$200.00 from Equipment Repair to \$24.00 Internet Service and \$176.00 Travel within the County General fund.

Judge Lucy Goffinet requested a transfer of \$1,000.00 from Law Books to Lodging and Meals for Jurors within the County General fund.

Greg Hendershot, Park and Recreation Director, requested a transfer of \$500.00 from Park Maintenance Repair to Equipment Repair within the County General fund.

Jody made the motion to approve all the transfers, seconded by John. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

CC-17-7

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 \$	200.00	
FROM:	ACCOUNT #1000-008-3000.62	
	EQUIPMENT REPAIR	\$ 200.00
TO:	ACCOUNT #1000-008-3000.24	
	INTERNET SERVICE	\$ 24.00
TO:	ACCOUNT #1000-008-3000.22	
	TRAVEL	\$176.00
WITHIN:	ASSESSOR'S BUDGET	
TRANSFER	\$ 1,000.00	
FROM:	ACCOUNT #1000-232-4000.52	
	LAW BOOKS	\$1,000.00
TO:	ACCOUNT #1000-232-3000.97	
	LODGING & MEALS FOR JURORS	
WITHIN:	CIRCUIT COURT BUDGET	
TRANSFER	\$ 500.00	
FROM:	ACCOUNT #1000-803-3000.61	
	PARK MAINTENANCE REPAIR	
TO:	ACCOUNT #1000-803-3000.62	\$ 500.00
	EQUIPMENT REPAIR	
WITHIN:	PARK & RECREATION BUDGET	

ADOPTED THIS 27th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

NAY

AYE

STEVE GOODON /S/
JODY FRENCH /S/
JOHN J TAYLOR /S/
DAVID A ETIENNE /S/
DANNY BOLIN /S/
JAMES R FLYNN /S/
THOMAS J HAUSER /S/

ATTEST:

PAMELA L. GOFFINET /S/
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

The Perry County Commissioners requested \$50,000.00 for Health Insurance within the County General fund. Tom made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Jody. Motion carried 7-0.

Lucy Goffinet, Circuit Court Judge, requested \$50,000.00 for Compensation Pauper Attorney within the County General fund because of cutting her budget last year. Danny made the motion to approve the request, seconded by J.R. Motion carried 7-0.

Park and Recreation Director, Greg Hendershot, requested within the County General fund an additional appropriation in the amount of \$7,000.00 for Part-time Assistant because of needing help in the summer. David made the motion to approve the additional, second was made by John. Motion carried 7-0.

Recorder Jane James requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$2,500.00 for Enhanced Access Fee within the Enhanced Access fund. John made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Tom. Motion carried 7-0.

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, requested \$40,000.00 for Health Insurance with the Motor Vehicle Highway fund. Danny made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Jody. Motion carried 7-0.

The Perry County Commissioners requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$50,000.00 for Health Insurance within the Rainy Day fund. Jody made the motion to approve the request, second made by John. Motion carried 7-0.

The Perry County Commissioners requested \$25,000.00 from the Riverboat fund for Health Insurance. Jody made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by John. Motion carried 7-0.

Auditor Pam Goffinet requested an additional appropriation for Office Furniture within the Auditor’s Ineligible Deductions fund in the amount of \$1,126.00. John made the motion to approve the request, seconded by David. Motion carried 7-0.

Steve Hauser, Emergency Management Director, requested \$25,000.00 from the Statewide 911 fund for Radio Equipment. This will complete the project at the Armory Annex for 911 equipment. J.R. made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Tom. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 17-CC-08

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:

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND REQUESTED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>			
<u>PERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u>				
#1000-068-1000.23 HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	7	0
<u>PERRY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT</u>				
#1000-232-3000.11 COMPENSATION PAUPER ATTORNEY	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	7	0
<u>PERRY COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION</u>				
#1000-803-1000.16 PART-TIME ASSISTANT	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	7	0
COUNTY GENERAL FUND TOTAL:	\$107,000.00	\$107,000.00		
<u>ENHANCED ACCESS FUND</u>				
<u>PERRY COUNTY RECORDER</u>				
#1154-004-3000.13 ENHANCED ACCESS FEE	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	7	0
ENHANCED ACCESS FUND TOTAL:	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00		
<u>MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY FUND</u>				
<u>PERRY COUNTY HIGHWAY</u>				
#1176-533-1000.23 HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	7	0
MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL:	\$40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00		
<u>RAINY DAY FUND</u>				
<u>PERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u>				
#1186-068-1000.23 HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	7	0
RAINY DAY FUND TOTAL:	\$50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00		
<u>RIVERBOAT FUND</u>				
<u>PERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u>				
#1191-068-1000.23 HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	7	0
RIVERBOAT FUND TOTAL:	\$25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00		
<u>AUDITOR'S INELIGIBLE DEDUCTIONS</u>				
<u>PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR</u>				
#1216-002-4000.41 OFFICE FURNITURE	\$ 1,126.00	\$ 1,126.00	7	0
AUDITOR'S INELIGIBLE DEDUCTIONS FUND TOTAL:	\$ 1,126.00	\$ 1,126.00		

STATEWIDE 911 FUND

E-911
1222-320-4000.42 \$ 25,000.00 \$ 25,000.00 7 0
RADIO EQUIPMENT

STATEWIDE 911
FUND TOTAL: \$ 25,000.00 \$ 25,000.00

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ATTC MANUFACTURING TAX ABATEMENTS

Council Attorney, James Tyler, reminded the Council that at last month’s meeting, they approved CF-1’s for the County’s tax abatements. Jim read a resolution terminating tax deductions for personal property taxes of 2017 payable 2018 for two different abatements for ATTC. It stated that ATTC failed to file Form CF-1 regarding an approved abatement on an approximate 1.5 million dollars of equipment in 2017 payable 2018 and ATTC received an abatement of personal property taxes on 4.2 million dollars of equipment but it has not been installed in 2017 and is thus not eligible for abatement until it is installed. David made the motion to approve the resolution, seconded by John. Motion carried 7-0. Both abatements lose the 100% deduction for 2017 pay 2018, they will start at 90%. (Attachment “A” R-CC-17-1)

NEW TAX ABATEMENT GUIDELINES

Jody commented saying she attended a meeting regarding tax abatements. Counties need abatements in order to move forward. She stated that Lee Chestnut and Alvin Evans with Perry County Development Corporation helped to develop a form regarding Guidelines for Consideration of Property Tax Abatements that the Council will use as a tool when allowing future abatements for companies applying. They will file this form with the SB-1 form when submitting. Another thing to ask for is a depreciation schedule for equipment when filing personal property to see how many years for the abatement.

Jody said Jim has looked this guideline form over. He says it is not required but a good idea since the County has never used any guidelines in the past. David made the motion to adopt the guidelines for tax abatements, second made by Danny. Motion carried 7-0.

BOARD APPOINTMENT – ZONING APPEALS BOARD

There was one letter of interest from Donald Newell submitted for the opening position on the Zoning Appeals Board. This position has been open for some time. There was discussion among the Council members. J.R. stated that we should go with the applicant since we have someone willing to be on the board. Jody asked if anyone knew of anyone else interested. Tom made the motion to appoint Donald Newell, J.R. seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-3 with Steve, Jody and John voting against.

MISCELLANEOUS

Jim Carter with the Humane Society appeared before the Commissioners stating that they will start dissolving as of September 30, 2017. They have two members retiring and cannot find anyone interested to fill the positions. They need to have an understanding of the job. He stated all calls will go to the proper authorities. He said organizations all over are having the same problem. Jim said this was to inform the Council and they thanked him for his years of service.

J.R. asked Steve Hauser how the work on the Armory Annex is going and if a Grand Opening is still being planned. Steve said there will be one. J.R. also questioned about the Courthouse TIF. He wants to know who to ask that it be declared as excess. Auditor Pam Goffinet said she would check into and get back with him.

Auditor Pam Goffinet reminded the Council that their August 24th meeting will be the first meeting dealing with budget information. The law states that at the Council's first meeting in August, the board shall review the estimated property tax levy limits and the estimated reductions due to circuit breaker credits for each non-binding taxing unit. Then the Auditor is to notify the unit of any changes, if any, recommended by the Council.

Auditor Goffinet also reminded them of their September meetings coming up:

- September 6 - Public hearing on budgets with departments & 1st reading of the budgets
- September 11 & 12 - All Day Budget Sessions
- September 21ST - Budget Adoption and regular Council meeting

There being no further business, John made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0, with adjournment at 5:13 p.m.

Minutes approved this 26th day of October, 2017.

President, Perry County Council

*Minutes prepared by:
Pamela L Goffinet, Auditor*