

**COUNCIL MINUTES
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA
SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

Council Member: You are hereby notified that there will be a regular meeting of the Boone County Council at the Boone County Office Building, 116 W. Washington St., in the Connie Lamar Meeting Room, Room 105, in the City of Lebanon, on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at 8:30am.

Councilwoman President Elise Nieshalla called the meeting to order. Council members in attendance were Kevin VanHorn, Aaron Williams, Jennifer Hostetter, Don Lamb, Marcia Wilhoite, and John Riner.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Nieshalla asked for a motion to approve the council minutes from the August 10, 2021, meeting as written. Councilman Lamb motioned and Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Councilwoman Nieshalla asked for a motion to approve the Executive Session Memorandum from August 11, 2021, meeting as written. Councilman Lamb motioned and Councilman Williams seconded. Councilwoman Hostetter was absent, so no vote. Motion carried 6-1.

NEW BUSINESS

Judge Schein discussed that a new law passed that prohibits juveniles with offenses from being housed with adults.

Vickie Foster with the Health Department discussed the ARP funding, to replenish expenses from COVID-19.

Kenny Hedge with Surveyor's Office discussed the ARP funding also due to COVID-19. Councilwoman Marcia Wilhoite told Health Dept and Surveyor's Office to submit for the ARP funds at the same time. Councilwoman Wilhoite motioned, and Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Jeff Wolfe discussed the new square footage information pertaining to Jail Expansion/Justice Center proposal. Also, Jeff Wolfe discussed the new payroll position that will report to the Commissioner's Office. Auditor Debbie Crum stated she has state statues to follow, and she does not agree with this. Councilman Kevin VanHorn agreed that they need to follow state statue and would like to meet with Auditor Crum and the two lawyers to discuss the state statues and what the Auditor has to follow per the Constitution. Council members agreed to table this, and they will have a meeting about this to make sure everyone is on same page about following the law. Councilman Riner motioned, and Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Councilwoman Nieshalla discussed to establish compensation committee members to include: Councilman Williams, Prosecutor Kent Eastwood, Sheriff Nielsen, Don Lamb, Kenny Hedge, Debbie Crum, Nikki Baldwin, and Megan Smith will form this Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Budget Workshop's to begin after Council Meeting.

To discuss: Part-Time Rates
 Elected Officials Salaries
 Highway Engineer
 Maintenance Salaries
 Discussion of HSA, HRA, and FSA
 Witham Ambulances
 CFO – New Position
 Legal Fees in Commissioner Budget

SALARY AMENDMENT

Justice Partners/Comm. Corr. to add more to administrator line of a max of \$7,250.00. Councilman Lamb made a motion to approve the request submitted. Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RE-APPROPRIATIONS

N/A

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL OF APPROPRIATIONS

Council members reviewed the requests made by the following departments:

COUNCIL

Elise Nieshalla with Council presented an additional appropriation request for:

1000.0061.430.431.0.0003	WAGE ANALYSIS	\$40,000.00
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Councilman Williams made a motion to approve the request submitted. Councilwoman Wilhoite seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

SURVEYOR

Kenny Hedge with Surveyor's Office presented a additional appropriation request for:

1000.0006.430.431.0.0050	ENGINEERING SRVCS	\$25,000.00
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Councilwoman Wilhoite made a motion to approve the request submitted. Councilman Lamb seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

JUSTICE PARTNERS/COMM. CORR

Michael Nance with Comm. Corr. Presented a additional appropriation request for:

9987.0000.410.411.1.0086	PROGRAM DIRECTOR	\$ 7,250.00
9987.0000.430.431.0.0009	TRAINING	\$ 9,000.00
9987.0000.430.431.0.2132	DEFENSE ATTORNEY	\$60,000.00
9987.0000.430.431.0.4780	TREATMENT PROVIDERS	\$15,000.00
9987.0000.430.431.0.5220	INCENTIVES	\$ 7,725.00

Councilman Williams made a motion to approve the request submitted. Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

N/A

Councilman Williams made a motion to adjourn. Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Minutes Prepared by Melissa Smith, Deputy Auditor.

Elise Nieshalla
Boone County Council President

Date

Debbie M. Morton-Crum
Boone County Auditor

Date