

**COUNCIL MINUTES
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA
MAY 10, 2022**

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, May 10, 2022, at 8:30am.

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

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Nieshalla asked for a motion to approve the council minutes from the April 12, 2022, meeting as written. Councilman Lamb motioned, and Councilman Riner seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

The Public LIT tax hearing was tabled due to not advertised correctly. Councilman Williams motioned, and Councilman Lamb seconded. Motion carried 5-1.

SALARY AMENDMENT: Steven Owens with Probation/4921 amended their grant fund to reflect the correct amount being paid out. Councilman Lamb motioned, and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Commissioner/Highway Finance Manager, Nick Parr got up to discuss a salary increase in his Office Manager Position, due to getting her degree in accounting. After a lot of discussion Councilman Williams made a motion to table this, but no one spoke up so motion died. Then more discussion took place, and Councilman Lamb made a motion to approve as submitted \$52,250.00 for the Highway Finance Manager, Councilman Riner seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RE-APPROPRIATIONS

N/A

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL OF APPROPRIATIONS

Steve Owens with Probation presented an additional appropriation request for Probation:

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Councilman Lamb made a motion to approve the amount requested. Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioners to discuss the need for a Part-time HR Assistant. Megan/Commissioners gave a presentation on how she is so busy with over 400 employees, but actual employees are 300 give or take. After a lengthy discussion and reasons why HR needs an Assistant. Councilman Williams made a motion, Councilman VanHorn seconded, but Councilman Williams voted Nay so motioned carried 5-1.

Investigative report by Jackson-Lewis, vote to waive Attorney client privilege. Councilman Williams made a motion, no one else seconded, so motion dies.

Boone County Justice Commission Report, Councilman Williams stated it will be available later this afternoon. Councilwoman Hostetter made a motion to table, Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried 5-1. Councilman Williams stated report will be accessible to send out to whoever wants a copy of report and will be posted for public to read. There will be a workshop for report on June 2, 2022 at 6pm at the Lebanon City Building in the Council Chambers.

OLD BUSINESS

Ken Hedge, Surveyor needed a vote for ARP funds for funding the Carroll drain project in the amount of \$500,000.00, and funding for the Jackson Run project in the amount of \$400,000.00. Councilman Riner made a motion, Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

First Person update was given by Megan Smith.

Auditor Crum gave an ARP update. We appropriated monies of \$125,000.00 that is on the project list for the EDC/Comm. Corr. (COHORT Grant project).

President Nieshalla gave a reminder of the Budget Workshops' start July 12th thru July 15th, and the Form 1's will be due in the Auditor's office by June 24th, 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Stevenson with the Sheriff's Department stated that this week is National Police week and there will be a memorial service at Courthouse tonight at 6:30pm with a meet and greet starting at 5:30pm.

Councilman Williams made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Minutes Prepared by Melissa Smith, Deputy Auditor.

Elise Nieshalla
Boone County Council President

Date

Debbie M. Morton-Crum
Boone County Auditor

Date