

**COUNCIL MINUTES
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA
FEBRUARY 14, 2023**

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, February 14, 2023, 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 January 10, 2023. Councilwoman Nieshalla had a few changes and check some votes. Councilwoman made a motion to table till next meeting on March 14, 2023, and Councilman Lamb seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Council and Auditor to Solidify 2024 Budget Procedures, Councilwoman Wilhoite mentioned workshop after June meeting to have discussions on any big changes coming. In July, any department asking for new employees go ahead and put into as 2024 pay rates on Form 1's, IT, Commissioner's, Sheriff, Prosecutor, Health, Highway and Maintenance. Next day after meeting maybe do that for 2 days. August meeting do for 2 days, and September meeting do for 2 days.

John Merson with Area Plan Commission Board stated they hired a new Executive Director Steven Elkins and starts on March 6, 2023, the annual salary that was set for Budget 2023 was \$77,304 they would like to increase it to \$79,000, so they will need to amend the salary Ordinance in the March meeting, no additional money will be needed, due to starting a little later in the year.

SALARY AMENDMENT

Clerk, Lisa Bruder wanted to amend the OT from OT to 1st deputy to get stipends due to election work. \$4,500/yr. Councilman Lamb wanted to table this till next month, so they can look into what the best thing would be. Councilwoman Hostetter seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7-0.

JDAI, Laura Thompson just wanted to move money from her cash balance up into a line. Diversion for juveniles, 2 teachers to a salary line. Councilman Lamb made a motion to approve the request as submitted. Councilman Williams seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RE-APPROPRIATIONS

N/A

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

COMMISSIONERS/LIT CORR FACILITY

Commissioner Jeff Wolfe presented an additional request for:

1233.0000.420.421.0.0060	Office Supplies	\$10,500
1233.0000.440.445.0.9035	Software/IT	\$10,500
1233.0000.440.415.0.6600	Executive Project Manager	\$86,000
1233.0000.440.445.0.5153	Benefits	TABLED
1233.0000.470.473.0.9170	LIT Corr. Fac. Debt Srv	TABLED
1233.0000.440.443.0.4710	Construction	TABLED

Councilwoman Hostetter made the motion to approve the Office Supplies and Software/IT, Councilman Lamb seconded. Motion carried, 7-0. Councilwoman Hostetter made a motion to approve the Executive Project Manager Salary, Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried, 5-2. Councilwoman Wilhoite made a motion to table the Benefits, Councilman Williams seconded. Motion carried, 7-0. Along with Debt Service and Construction to be Tabled till next month in March.

OLD BUSINESS

ARP Project List Update and Appropriations requests for Terhune and Trailside Drainage Projects. Councilwoman Hostetter made a motion to approve \$300,000 for Terhune project, Councilwoman Wilhoite seconded, Motion carried 7-0. Councilwoman Hostetter made a motion to approved \$250,000 for Trailside project, Councilwoman Wilhoite seconded, Motion carried, 7-0. Councilwoman Hostetter made a motion to approve \$10,000 for Sylvia's Child Advocacy Center, Councilman VanHorn seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Timeclock Plus update – Mike Nielsen is now overseeing the project. He has been looking for Solutions with CYMA and Timeclock Plus. Councilman Williams stated we have spent \$99,000 on TCP so far, a lot of problems, no \$\$ listed on contract, TCP signed by 3rd party and we haven't been billed. What progress is being made? We need to stop paying anything for TCP. Councilman Riner wanted a report in March meeting from Mike Nielsen. Jeff Wolfe hopes to have it up and going by April 1 fully.

Councilman Williams ask for an update on the Justice Center Project. Commissioner Jeff Wolfe stated is was moving along, Councilman Williams ask if all the Permit's were filed yet, Jeff Wolfe stated yes they were except one. Mayor Gentry went up to podium and stated that No Permits have been filed with the City yet.

Michael Nance with Community Corrections gave his Community Corrections Annual Report. Also, Michael gave an update on the New Opioid Grant. Explained all the moving parts and needs to have the Grant submitted by February 28th, 2023. Asking for Council to match some of the Grant money. Council to decide what the county can match for the grant. Needs to prioritize list of requests by February 28th, 2023. Council will hold a Special Meeting for New Opioid Grant on February 21, 2023 at 10am.

Nick Parr with Highway gave his Annual Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathy Clawson was wanting to add a new line item in Soil & Water for contract. Councilman Williams made a motion, Councilwoman Wilhoite seconded. Motion carried, 6-0, Councilman Lamb had left before this vote.

Councilman Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Wilhoite seconded. Motion carried, 5-0. At this time Councilman Lamb, and Councilwoman Hostetter had to leave.

Minutes Prepared by Melissa Smith, Deputy Auditor.

Elise Nieshalla
Boone County Council President

Date

Debbie M. Morton-Crum
Boone County Auditor

Date