

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM
107 W. Locust Street
Boonville, Indiana
December 2, 2021
6:00 PM

The Warrick County Council met in regular session in the Warrick County Courthouse, 107 W. Locust Street, Boonville, Indiana.

Attorney Cliff Whitehead and Administrator Krystal Powless were in attendance.

Auditor Debbie Stevens and Secretary Kristine Georges attended and recorded the minutes.

Council President, Greg Richmond, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Greg Richmond: Roll Call.

Krystal Powless: Ron Bacon?

Ron Bacon: Here.

Krystal Powless: David Hachmeister?

David Hachmeister: Here.

Krystal Powless: Ted Metzger?

Ted Metzger: Present.

Krystal Powless: Brad Overton?

Brad Overton: Here.

Krystal Powless: Richard Reid?

Richard Reid: Present.

Krystal Powless: Greg Richmond?

Greg Richmond: Here.

Krystal Powless: Chris Whetstine?

Chris Whetstine: Here.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
OCTOBER 7, 2021 PUBLIC HEARING - AUGUST 17, 2021 BUDGET SESSION
NOVEMBER 4, 2021 REGULAR SESSION

Councilman Richmond: Okay, first up on the agenda is Approval of Minutes. Public Hearing, October 7th Budget Meeting... October 7th. And I have a couple of questions that I need to clarify. This is in the August 17th, Budget session. Let's see, there was some questions that came up during that session on who takes care of the plates and insurance for our School Services Officers that the Sheriff's Department and the School Corporation jointly work together on. That's on page sixteen (16) in the middle of the page. And in the middle of page Kristine said, they're taking care of plates and insurance. And then there was some confusion later on where it said, earlier, but right above that it says, School Resource Officer cars, have an agreement with the School Corporation where the School Corporation is providing the cars, then the County is taking care of the plates and insurance. So, I would like to see that squared away and something given to me, whoever knows what's going on, just send it to me sometime so I can straighten that out to know exactly what it is, how it's supposed to be. It's not a correction here cause that's what the minutes are, but it's just something that I think that we all need to know. So there's no confusion on who's paying for the Resource Officers and who's paying for the cars and the insurance and all that. Okay. Circuit Court, it's on page twenty-five (25), Councilman Bacon down at the bottom, I've got down here Printing Supplies. And I said, it was in Other Services. So, this is the sixty-one thousand three hundred dollars (\$61,300.00). We need to check on that as to what is the correct wording there. So, Krystal, if you'll make a note of that. I didn't get a chance to get back up here with you and go over these. On page twenty-nine (29), it runs when our three (3) is down. I think it's supposed to be it runs when one (1) of our three (3) is down. And that's me speaking, so I left the word out. Looks like that's all of that one (1) and I didn't have any problem with the other one (1) at all. Nor did I have problem with, any problems that I found with the November 4th meeting minutes and the October 7th, Public hearing. So, other than, there's really no corrections yet, just some clarifications to get to on these. Other than that, I would ask for a motion to approve these if you're okay with them.

Councilman Hachmeister: Motion to approve all three (3) then.

Councilman Richmond: 1A and 1B. Motion by David. Second by...?

Councilman Bacon: Ron.

Councilman Richmond: Ron. Okay, any discussion? All those in favor? That's all seven (7) of us. Seven, zero (7-0).

**COMMISSIONER BUSINESS
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES – HVAC SYSTEM**

Councilman Richmond: Next on the agenda, Commissioner Items, Additional Appropriation, E-911 Fund Contractual Services, five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). And the second Additional Appropriation is Cum Capital Development HVAC System, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). We could do both of these together or we can take them apart, whatever you wish. But, understand there's plenty of funds in them.

Councilman Reid: Yeah.

Councilman Hachmeister: Motion to approve both.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by David. Is there a second?

Councilman Overton: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Brad. Any discussion? All those in favor? Both of them, seven, zero (7-0). Thank you.

Roger Emmons: Thank you, gentlemen. David, my old friend, good to see you back.

Councilman Hachmeister: Thank you, man.

Roger Emmons: You take care. Oh, and Greg, your pre-meeting speech was very nice. I would say that Heather sent out today, one (1) week from tomorrow, on December 10th, the Commissioners are putting on an annual Christmas luncheon from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM in this room.

Councilman Richmond: Wonderful.

Roger Emmons: So, we get donations and probably Commander's Grill will cater like they did the last time. We didn't have it last year because of the pandemic. So, obviously, everyone here on the Council is invited for that. So, thank you.

Councilman Richmond: December 10th?

Councilman Hachmeister: Yeah.

Roger Emmons: Yes, Sir.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you.

**CIRCUIT COURT BUSINESS
LAW BOOKS**

Councilman Richmond: Okay. Next up is Park and Recreation. They have a Part-Time Additional Appropriation, oh no. I missed Circuit Court didn't I?

Councilman Bacon: I say.

Councilman Richmond: Circuit Court, Law Books, Additional Appropriation of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00).

Councilman Bacon: He's not here?

Councilman Richmond: Nobody is here from Circuit?

Brandy Backer: Good evening. I'm Brandy Backer, Bailiff of Circuit Court.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you. He needs more law books?

Brandy Backer: Yes.

Councilman Richmond: He always does. Council, what's your...

Councilman Bacon: This looks, if I remember correctly, he was about ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), and this is now seven (\$7,000.00) if my memory serves me right. So, he has come down some when we talked about it earlier a few meetings ago.

Councilman Hachmeister: But, I thought we put three (\$3,000.00) in his budget?

Krystal Powless: He's definitely spent what you placed in his budget.

Councilman Bacon: Okay.

Councilman Richmond: Yeah, what did he say, there's only about thirty dollars (\$30.00) left or something?

Councilman Whetstine: Twenty (\$20.00).

Councilman Bacon: I'll make a motion to approve.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Ron to approve. Is there a second? Is there a second?

Councilman Whetstine: I'll second it.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you, Chris seconds that. Any further discussion?

Councilman Hachmeister: I wish I could go back to where we used to years ago when Circuit Judge took care of all the law books. We could get by with one (1) set or the digital that everything is going to.

Councilman Richmond: Call for the vote, all those in favor? Is that all seven (7) of us?

Councilman Reid: Yes.

Councilman Richmond: Seven, zero (7-0), thank you.

Brandy Backer: Thank you.

PARK AND RECREATION BEACH MANAGER/PART-TIME 2022

Councilman Richmond: Now Park and Recreation, Additional Appropriation, Part-Time, they need four hundred (\$400.00) in this line item to finish this line item in the black.

Ben Labhart: Actually, we don't. We recently had a full-time employee quit, so, we can use the money from his account to finish out the, our seasonal. So, we don't need that anymore.

Councilman Richmond: So, withdraw this?

Ben Labhart: Yes. And then on the other one (1), Krystal, did you email that?

Krystal Powless: They have the amended agenda, but they haven't heard the explanation.

Ben Labhart: So, I've talked to a couple of you about this. But, we were in the position this year where if we did some encumbering and transferring and then used some 2022 money, we were looking to get a new vehicle. A couple of our vehicles are in pretty bad shape. We've got seven (7) of them out there. And since I've been out there fifteen (15) years, we've only replaced two (2) of them. Three (3) of them are in pretty bad shape. So, we're getting to the point where we need to start replacing some of them. But anyway, when I, and this transfer was for that. But, I was waiting on the government assist from Chrysler. They didn't have the numbers. Like last year, the government assist was twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00), so they take twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) off the sticker price. You know, so, we can get a better price. But, I actually just got it today and it's only went from twelve thousand (\$12,000.00) to two thousand (\$2,000.00). So, the cheapest truck, the cheapest truck I could get this year is thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00). So, we're not gonna look, we're not looking to do that. Hopefully, next year for 2023, the bid assist will be better and we can maybe look towards doing that.

Councilman Richmond: So, encumbering, you would encumber?

Ben Labhart: So, what I wanted to do, I wanted to transfer, the transfer I was asking for was to get that into Equipment. And then I would encumber the money from Equipment into our, you know, into 2022 budget and then use some of the 2022 budget to be able to buy a vehicle. That's what I wanted to do. But, like I said, the truck, they just came in too high and I got Ford prices too and they were just as high. We'll wait 'til next year and hopefully, the bid assist for 2023 is better than it is for 2022. So, don't need any of the money I was asking for.

Councilman Richmond: What about the Part-Time Salary Ordinance?

Ben Labhart: Yeah, I need that. Do I need to stay up here or come back?

Krystal Powless: Stay up here.

Councilman Richmond: New agenda has it right here.

Ben Labhart: So, we are just asking to be able to pay the Beach Manager fifteen dollars (\$15.00) an hour. You know, that position manages twelve (12) lifeguards and three (3) concession workers, so fifteen (15) employees during the

summer. And the last couple summers have been a challenge down at the beach, and I just think we need to be able to pay the Beach Manager a little bit more to get more qualified personnel. So, I don't, I think we can do it with, with our current budget. I'm not asking for any more money. I'm just asking to be able to pay the Beach Manager. It's a little over two (2) months during the summer is the only time we've got that position. So, I'm just asking to be able to pay them fifteen dollars (\$15.00) an hour.

Councilman Hachmeister: This is a lifeguard and they manage the beach too, correct?

Ben Labhart: It's not a lifeguard.

Councilman Hachmeister: Oh, it's not a lifeguard. Just a manager.

Ben Labhart: No, years ago, we had one (1) for twelve (12) years, I think, and she was a lifeguard too. She was a lifeguard first and I hired her to be the Beach Manager and she stayed certified, so she could fill in as lifeguard. But, since her, no they haven't been a lifeguard. They schedule everybody and pretty much just manage the beach.

Councilman Overton: Well, if you're not asking for an increase in overall funds, make a motion to approve.

Councilman Richmond: Okay, a motion by Brad to approve. Is there a second?

Councilman Bacon: I'll second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Ron. Any discussion?

Councilman Whetstine: Well, Greg, I'll just say that and to Ben, when I read that in the notes that Krystal sent a week or so ago, first of all, I don't know if I was impressed that you were able to do that or surprised. Because I know sometimes hiring part-time can be really difficult.

Ben Labhart: Yeah.

Councilman Whetstine: And then I thought, wow, this person should be paid extra. So, I don't know. Like I said, I'm impressed. I'm surprised on both.

Ben Labhart: It worked for a lot of years because we had a, she was, she had been a lifeguard for five (5) or six (6) years and we hired her to be the manager. And she did a really good job. I'm not saying the ones we've had the last couple of years haven't done a good job. But it's quite a bit of responsibility managing.

Councilman Whetstine: I would think so.

Ben Labhart: And the better job they do, the less me and the full-time employees have to be down there dealing with it, you know. So, I think it will help to be able to, and if anybody knows anybody would be good that wants a job during the summer a teacher or something send them my way.

Councilman Overton: Greg, there's your work right there.

Ben Labhart: Greg, I'll hire you right now.

Councilman Richmond: Okay, anymore discussion? Okay, call for the vote. All those in favor? Seven, zero (7-0). Thank you.

Ben Labhart: Thank you.

EMA

TRANSFER FROM MOBILE COMMAND AND GENERAL SUPPLIES TO EQUIPMENT

Councilman Richmond: Now, number five (5), EMA is a transfer to finish the year in the black. Transfer from Mobile Command, seven hundred ninety-one dollars eighty-seven cents (\$791.87) to Equipment and Transfer from General Supplies, eight hundred nine dollars and ten cents (\$809.10) to Equipment.

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Brad. Is there a second?

Councilman Whetstine: I'll second it.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Chris. Any discussion? All those in favor? Seven, zero (7-0).

ASSESSOR

TRANSFER FROM OFFICE SUPPLIES AND COMPUTER SUPPLY TO FURNITURE

Councilman Richmond: And Assessor. She wants to replace a twenty (20) year old desk, so these are transfers. Transfer out of Office Supplies, one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00). Transfer from Computer Supply two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). Transfer to Furniture, four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00).

Sarah Redman: Good evening. Sarah Redman, Warrick County Assessor. Pretty self-explanatory. I really just want to buy some more furniture.

Councilman Richmond: Twenty (20) year old desk.

Sarah Redman: Yes. I actually got a splinter from it the other day. The drawers aren't working well. They're sticking. They won't open all the way. I wanted to see where we were sitting financially at the end of the year before I started looking and I'm cheap. So, I haven't made any decisions. I'm still talking, I've been talking with a gentleman from Office 360 and there were a couple other companies that were supposed to show up and they haven't yet.

Councilman Richmond: Is there a motion?

Councilman Reid: Motion to approve.

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Rick. And second by...

Councilman Overton: I guess me.

Councilman Richmond: Brad. Okay. Any discussion? All those in favor? Seven, zero (7-0). Thank you.

Sarah Redman: Thank you.

ELECTION TRANSFER FROM ABSENT VOTER BOARDS, INSPECTORS, JUDGES, CLERKS, CONTRACTUAL SERVICES, EQUIPMENT TO ELECTION EQUIPMENT

Councilman Richmond: Now, Election is asking for some transfers. She'll come up and explain it in a minute. But, I'm going to read them. Transfer from Absent Voter Boards twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00). Transfer from Inspectors, four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500.00). Transfer from Judges, five thousand nine hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$5,987.00). Transfer from Clerk, six thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$6,250.00). Transfer from Contractual Service, one thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$1,550.00). And transfer from Equipment, two thousand four hundred thirty-three dollars (\$2,433.00). For a total to Election Equipment, Equipment, transferred to Election Equipment, thirty-two thousand seven hundred twenty dollars (\$32,720.00). Patty?

Clerk Perry: Yes, Sir.

Councilman Richmond: Identify yourself.

Clerk Perry: I'm sorry. You wanted Andrew to be here, didn't you?

Councilman Richmond: Identify yourself. Oh, yeah.

Clerk Perry: What we're doing is since this year we did not have an Election, we're wanting to transfer these monies because we've now gone to Vote Centers. Which means we need to purchase additional equipment and one (1) of those is the high speed printers of which I provided everybody, it was last minute and I need to apologize to Krystal on that. Estimates on how much the high speed printers are and were also needing to purchase encoders. The encoder, what it does, is it plugs into the poll pad. It allows the poll worker to generate the correct ballot for that person making it little room for error. Since, we're gonna have voters that can vote anywhere and we'll have all the ballots on the machines, this is gonna eliminate where, we wouldn't have any error.

Councilman Overton: So. Patty with these reductions in the Inspectors and Judges and so on, I assume that's because.

Krystal Powless: There wasn't an Election.

Councilman Hachmeister: Didn't have one (1).

Councilman Overton: Right, but we won't, so for next year, I'm just thinking that this money, I guess, would have been encumbered over. I mean it's not gonna impact anything for next year?

Krystal Powless: No.

Clerk Perry: No, Sir.

Councilman Overton: Okay. Motion to approve.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Brad to approve the transfers. Is there a second?

Councilman Metzger: I'll second it.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Ted. Any further discussion?

Councilman Whetstine: I guess, just for the record, I'll say you are Patty Perry, is that right?

Clerk Perry: Yes, Sir. Warrick County Clerk. I apologize.

Councilman Whetstone: I don't think you heard Greg when he asked. Alright, we got that in there now.

Clerk Perry: Thank you.

Councilman Metzger: I do have one (1) question, Patty. Can you explain to us briefly what the purpose of this high speed printers will accomplish? I mean, what's the goal?

Clerk Perry: The high speed printers at the end when they print off the results off of every, they have to print it off of every machine. Right now it takes probably for one (1) machine anywhere from thirty (30) to forty-five (45) minutes or longer to get that printed off. Whereas with the high speed printers, we could get it off in maybe five (5) to ten (10) minutes. We've been needing these for a long time and our vendor has really been on us. We can get the results back to the Election Office quicker which means we can get the results out to the public quicker.

Councilman Metzger: Excellent, thank you.

Clerk Perry: Thank you.

Councilman Richmond: Any other questions? I'll call for the vote. All those in favor? That's all seven (7) of us. Thank you. (Motion carried 7-0).

Clerk Perry: Thank you, gentlemen.

TRANSFER FROM GENERAL SUPPLIES, OFFICIAL RECORDS, EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE TO FURNITURE

AUDITOR

Councilman Richmond: Auditor Transfers. Transfer from General Supplies, five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Transfer from Official Records, two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00). Transfer from Equipment Maintenance, all of that, thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) to Furniture. And transfer from General Supplies, three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). Official Records, transfer from Official Records a thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). And that four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) transfers to Furniture, four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00).

Auditor Stevens: Alright. Debbie Stevens, Warrick County Auditor. This is mainly to replace some of our file cabinets. They're not secure. They don't have locks on them. Then some that do have locks on them, the drawers don't shut all the way so that you can lock the cabinets. So, it's basically to replace some bad or insecure or damaged file cabinets. We're not going to replace all of them because we're actually working down the number of file cabinets that we need and hopefully next year we'll have a solution for claim submission that would, where we wouldn't have to keep paper copies of claims any longer. So, our hopes are to get down to no file cabinets over time. I won't be here for that. But, someone will.

Councilman Hachmeister: And I didn't ask Sarah, but what are you going to do with all the old ones?

Auditor Stevens: Some of them are not that great. I'm assuming that we'll take them to the Commissioners to have them surplused. And sold if they're worth anything. Some of them won't. Some of them are worthless. So, I think that's what...

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Reid: Second.

Auditor Stevens: We did a few years ago back. I know the Clerk sold some of hers.

Councilman Richmond: Motion was by Brad and second by Rick. Is there any discussion? All those in favor? Seven, zero (7-0). Thank you.

Auditor Stevens: Thank you.

SHERIFF

HANDBOOK POLICY PAY OUTS

Councilman Richmond: Now, Sheriff. This is Handbook Policy, no additional is being requested.

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Richmond: Let me read them first. Sargent, three (3) vacation days, pay back, Salary Ordinance, six-ninety-seven-ninety-five (\$697.95). Five (5) vacation days, a thousand two hundred sixty-seven dollars fifty-eight cents (\$1,267.58). And then you'll need to draw a line through the next one (1) there where it says Maintenance, five (5) vacation days, it's not seven-one-one (\$7,111.00). It's seven-one-one point 'o-eight (\$711.08). Seven hundred eleven dollars and eight cents (\$711.08). And Dispatcher, I'm sure the Maintenance would appreciate that.

Krystal Powless: Yes, he would.

Councilman Richmond: Dispatcher, twenty-four (24) days, termination at four thousand two hundred forty-nine dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$4,249.38). Now, Brad.

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve. Sorry, I went to sleep.

Councilman Richmond: Is there a second?

Councilman Bacon: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Ron. Any discussion? All in favor? Seven, zero (7-0). Thank you.

COUNCIL BUSINESS AREA PLAN COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Councilman Richmond: Now, Council Business. The APC, Area Plan Commission had a person who retired, resigned, and they need somebody to fill in this month for the next meeting.

Krystal Powless: Yes.

Councilman Richmond: And I may mispronounce his name, Jeff Valiant.

Krystal Powless: Yes.

Councilman Richmond: He is been, he has past experience on the Board of Zoning Appeals and he's also been president in the past of the APC. So, he has experience and I only contacted one (1) other person and that person did not get back with me. So.

Councilman Hachmeister: And I tried to call Jeff. He didn't call me back either. But, I was on the APC with him and like I say, Brad had been on it in the past too.

Councilman Overton: I say, I thought I was on there with him.

Councilman Hachmeister: He wasn't with me. Probably Jeff cause he was on it a long time. And it, it takes a little bit to get up to, to actually learn what's going on and that's a plus if you've got somebody that's already been on there that kind of hits the ground running. And he's, and I say, he was on there six (6) or eight (8) years. I thought he was still on 'til this came back up and I looked when the appointments were.

Councilman Overton: I'll admit, it takes a least about a year to get your feet under you on that thing. Motion to approve.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Brad. Is there a second?

Councilman Reid: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by, is that Rick?

Councilman Reid: Yeah.

Councilman Hachmeister: Has anybody contacted Jeff for sure that he would do it?

Krystal Powless: Yes, Molly talked to him. Yes.

Councilman Hachmeister: That's kind of the reason I wanted to talk to him. But.

Councilman Richmond: Anyway, a motion and a second. Any further discussion? All those in favor?

Councilman Bacon: How long is the term?

Krystal Powless: Well, that was my next question to you guys. I know you're filling him in this month, but then he was up for appointment in January. So, can this include January also?

Councilman Overton: Yes (inaudible).

Councilman Hachmeister: Yeah, we can do that too.

Krystal Powless: I'll take him off the list for next time. Is that okay?

Councilman Overton: Yep. That's be perfect.

Councilman Richmond: Then would the term expire at the end of 2022? Or a four (4) year term?

Councilman Hachmeister: It's a four (4) year term.

Krystal Powless: It's a four (4) year term. So, you're basically appointing for a four (4) year term plus this December.

Councilman Richmond: 2026. Okay. Alright, all those in favor? That's all seven (7) of us. (Motion carries 7-0). Thank you.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Councilman Richmond: Additional Appropriation, this line, these line items are needed to finish the year in black for insurance. Health Insurance, this is from the Commissioners, twenty-five thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$25,475.00), Additional Appropriation, Central Dispatch, Health Insurance, one thousand six hundred twenty-three dollars (\$1,623.00).

Krystal Powless: These have to do with HSA withdraws.

Councilman Hachmeister: Motion to approve.

Councilman Overton: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by David. Second by Brad. Any discussion? All those in favor? That's all seven (7) of us. (Motion carried 7-0). Thank you.

2022 MEETING DATES RESOLUTION 2021-13

Councilman Richmond: Meeting dates. Have you looked those over? Cause there's a Resolution. They're the same...

Councilman Bacon: I'm not fond of Thursday.

Councilman Richmond: As they've always been.

Krystal Powless: Yeah, I'll have to (inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: So, basically the first Thursday of each month. Now, is there an exception this year, Krystal?

Krystal Powless: The only exception I made is the May 5th, I believe that's always the National Day of Prayer. So, we always move the meeting to 7:00 PM.

Councilman Hachmeister: Yeah, we change the time.

Krystal Powless: So, that's the only change, unless someone has another conflict.

Councilman Hachmeister: Motion to approve those dates and times.

Councilman Overton: Second.

Krystal Powless: It's actually going to be a Resolution. So, Kristine, what's the number?

Kristine Georges: It would be 2021-13.

Councilman Overton: And Ron was trying to make a motion to change the meetings to Friday.

Councilman Bacon: I'm okay with that.

Councilman Whetstine: I should point out I guess, that June 2nd is my anniversary. So, I, question here, is it appropriate if I wear an itty bitsy teeny weenie yellow polka dot bikini? That's not appropriate?

Councilman Bacon: Not appropriate.

Councilman Whetstine: Well, there goes my anniversary.

Councilman Bacon: Krystal's going to have a coughing fit.

Krystal Powless: Oh, my.

Councilman Richmond: Okay. Warrick County Council Resolution 2021-13, Whereas the last meeting in December 2021, Warrick County Council desires to establish their regular meeting dates for the calendar year 2022. I won't read the rest of it, right?

Cliff Whitehead: Correct.

Councilman Richmond: So, I'll call for the vote. All those in favor? Six to one... six to one (6-1 with Ron Bacon opposing), Ron.

Krystal Powless: So, who was the second? Sorry, I missed it.

Councilman Overton: It was either me or David. I don't remember which one (1) did it.

Krystal Powless: I had David was the motion.

Councilman Overton: Okay, then I was the second.

Councilman Richmond: Brad, yeah. I didn't write them down.

Councilman Whetstine: You're serious?

Councilman Bacon: I'm serious.

Councilman Richmond: Six to one (6-1) with Ron Bacon, nay.

Councilman Bacon: (Inaudible) problems in (inaudible) with Thursdays this year.

(Resolution 2021-13A is located on Page 13 of these Official Minutes)

APPOINTMENT LIST

Councilman Richmond: And then look over the appointment list and if you've got anybody you'd like to move into any of those slots or recommendations other than what's there, Krystal, you've checked with most of them?

Krystal Powless: Yeah, I haven't heard back from everyone. But, I will have you a good list for the January meeting of those who still wish to serve. But, I wanted to kind of give you the list so you could start thinking about it if you wanted to reach out to anyone. So.

CENTRAL DISPATCH – JAILER LONGEVITY

Councilman Richmond: And then, this Salary Ordinance, now, next is number 10E, Central Dispatch is Longevity for Dispatchers, 2021 payable in 2022, six thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$6,750.00). And Longevity for Jailers, 2021 payable in 2022, eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00).

Krystal Powless: Okay, would you like me to give you an explanation?

Councilman Bacon: Um hum.

Krystal Powless: So, if you recall, the Dispatchers and Jailers were on a different longevity plan than what you adopted in January. They were on a similar plan as the Highway Department where they have not gotten paid yet for their longevity for this year. They always get in January of the next year. We did the Salary Ordinance for the Highway guys. But, I forgot to do it for these guys during the budget. So, basically, it's my error that I missed during budget session that should have been approved. So, what happens is they will get paid this out in their lump sum in January for time worked this year. But, they will also then go to the new longevity plan that you adopted. Okay? And then this will go away. They won't get this anymore.

Councilman Bacon: This is gone?

Krystal Powless: Yes.

Councilman Bacon: Okay. And they'll be on the new plan.

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Bacon: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Brad to approve. Is there a second?

Councilman Bacon: I'll second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Ron. Any discussion? All those in favor? That's all seven (7) of us. Seven, zero (7-0).

(December Appropriations are located on Page 13 of these Official Minutes)

LETTER OF SUPPORT SPECTRUM

Councilman Richmond: Now, we have a letter of support. And Steve, would you like to help us out with that?

Steve Roelle: Sure. Okay.

Councilman Richmond: You all have a copy of it.

Steve Roelle: Good evening, Steve Roelle, Economic Development. The short, short version is that Charter-Spectrum is going after Next Level Broadband Grant from the State of Indiana to connect three hundred thirty-two (332) unserved or underserved locations in Warrick County. This is funded by the State. Charter-Spectrum puts up

some of their money. It's not going to cost the County anything. They'll pick up these three hundred and thirty-two (332) locations. But, then also, if you note, I gave you guys a list before the meeting as well with all the addresses cause I'd love to get some residential letters of support. This was just the one (1) from County Council saying that County's in support of it. And they actually have to connect all of those kind of together so they pick up a lot more mileage along the way. This is not three hundred thirty-two (332) residents in a row. They're scattered if you look at the addresses. So, if we can just provide some letters of support, I look at it like a one point three million dollar (\$1,300,000.00) grant for infrastructure here in Warrick County.

Councilman Bacon: So, this is going to be high speed?

Steve Roelle: Yep, what they bid on is fiber to the home or business at one (1) gig down by five hundred (500) up. So, that's the minimum that they, minimum speed that they have to provide.

Councilman Hachmeister: Next Level is out of the State.

Steve Roelle: It is. It's part of the Governor's, they did Next Level trails and like we did up in Lynnville for the trail. Next Level roads.

Councilman Hachmeister: If we get anything there, is it going to hurt us as far as USDA or Farm Bureau?

Steve Roelle: It will not. It will not. Charter-Spectrum already won a significant seven (7) figures worth of money of RDOF Funding which is that Federal funding to connect rural America. And I can email you guys a map. They've already won those dollars. They have to have those addresses connected. And in Warrick County, that's a large chunk of what I would say the northeastern quadrant. So, up from Boonville through Folsomville towards Dale. That's extremely rural, really hard to reach. They've already won those dollars. So this would be, these are all three hundred thirty-two (332) addresses that are not covered in the RDOF Funding that Charter-Spectrum already won. So, it's just additional locations as we, as we struggle with trying to connect as many people as possible in our community.

Councilman Reid: Steve, you've got those signatures over there.

Steve Roelle: Okay, awesome. I'll take it.

Councilman Bacon: And I asked the question, (inaudible) on how this would affect Mainstream and River City.

Steve Roelle: River City?

Councilman Bacon: I was concerned. We don't have an effect on those cause we have dollars involved in them and what we're (inaudible) and that, so (inaudible).

Steve Roelle: I don't think it will have any impact. Obviously, competition has been a good thing in Warrick County. The more competition we've got, the faster the speeds have gotten and the lower the prices have gotten. River City obviously would be covering these three hundred thirty-two (332) people if their infrastructure could reach them or their signal could reach them. They're not currently being covered by Mainstream, so, again, it's just a quicker way to get these individuals, actually Brad's address is on that list and Krystal's address is on that list. And Bobby Howard's on that list and just as an FYI, Bobby Howard's contacted Mainstream, had River City out at the house. They did a check to see if they could reach him. They could not, so...

Councilman Bacon: These people live out in the (inaudible).

Steve Roelle: Yeah, it's just fantastic...

Krystal Powless: It's really pretty though.

Steve Roelle: We have to look at all avenues to get people hooked up.

Councilman Richmond: And the question was asked at the last meeting, a little bit about Mainstream and what do we still have control of. And I didn't have the proper term for it. We're holding a nine hundred eighty-five thousand dollar (\$985,000.00) letter of credit to get twenty-two hundred (2,200) residences signed on. And then there's the School Corporation and the County also.

Steve Roelle: And a hundred and fifty (150) businesses as well, registered businesses on top of that.

Councilman Richmond: They have to do that before we release that letter of credit. And in a little more than a week from now the Commissioners and Steve and a group of people are going to get together and just kind of discuss with Mainstream and have some communication back and forth so we can get things moving.

Steve Roelle: Yep. Anything else?

Steve Roelle: Okay, thanks.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you.

Councilman Bacon: Do we need a motion on this?

Councilman Hachmeister: You done signed it.

Councilman Bacon: Well, I know that. That's why I asked if we needed a motion.

Councilman Richmond: It's not really an action by the Council, Resolution or anything. It's just us signing a letter.

Councilman Bacon: Okay, great. I don't want Chris to get us in trouble.

VOTE CENTERS UPDATE

Councilman Richmond: I didn't have, Patty Perry had signed up on the list and she's already talked. Did you have anything more?

Clerk Perry: Yes, Sir.

Councilman Richmond: Okay.

Clerk Perry: Just something I'd like to read on behalf of the Warrick County Election Board. I know that these meetings are streamed live. It's already, we've done it in front of the Commissioners and I'd like to be able to do it for every meeting. That we're pleased to update you that the Warrick County Election Board has officially completed the requirements for transition to a Vote Center County. The plan required the unanimous vote of all three (3) members of the bipartisan Election Board. This step is a huge accomplishment for Warrick County voters. The plan will save taxpayers money over the long-term, increase voting opportunities, and add the flexibility and convenience voters have come to expect. This plan offers three (3) locations for early voting which is going to include Lynnville, Boonville, and Newburgh and eighteen (18) vote centers throughout the county for Election Day. Warrick County voters will be able to vote, be able to visit any of these locations to vote regardless of where they live. So, anyone can go anywhere and vote within the County. Voters will now be able to vote close to home, close to work, close to the grocery, or even with their parents that may live across town. This Plan brings Warrick County in line with the majority of Indiana Counties who have already transitioned to Vote Centers. The Election Office is available to answer any questions voters may have regarding this new plan. A full copy of the plan along with a list and maps which show where the precincts are is available on the Warrick County Voter Registration website. And I appreciate everyone's support in this. It was a long hard road. But, we got it done. And I'm real excited.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you.

Clerk Perry: Thank you very much.

Councilman Richmond: Yep, very happy.

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ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Richmond: Okay, before we adjourn, anybody from the Council have anything?

Councilman Hachmeister: Merry Christmas.

Krystal Powless: I would just like to thank you. I just opened my card. I appreciate it very much. And you've been a pleasure to work with and I hope you all have a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Richmond: And in conclusion I would like to wish everybody a very Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and God bless your family. Now, I'm open for a motion.

Councilman Reid: Motion to adjourn.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Rick. Second by?

Councilman Bacon: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Ron. All those in favor? All seven (7) of us, we're adjourned. (Motion carried 7-0).

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM.

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL



Greg Richmond, President



Ron Bacon



Ted Metzger



Chris Whetstone



Brad Overton, Vice President



David Hachmeister



Richard Reid

ATTEST:


Deborah K. Stevens, Auditor
Warrick County, IN

Minutes transcribed by Kristine Georges

Sec. 1 Be it ordained (resolved) by the Warrick County Council, Warrick 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 proposed specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

FUND	APPROPRIATION #	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
Circuit Court	1000.39400.000.0232	Law Books	\$7,000.00	7,000
Total Circuit Court				
Commissioners	1000.17300.000.0068	Health Insurance	\$25,475.00	25,475
Total Commissioners				
Central Dispatch	1000.17300.000.0303	Health Insurance	\$1,623.00	1,623
Total Central Dispatch				
E911	1222.31400.000.0000	Contractual Services	\$5,000.00	5,000
Total E911				
Parks & Recreation	1219.11300.000.0000	Part Time	\$400.00	0
Total Park & Recreation				
Cumulative Capital Dev	1138.60021.000.0000	HVAC System	10,000	\$10,000.00
Total Cumulative Cap. Dev.			10,000	\$10,000.00

Taxpayers appearing in the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The Board will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action.

Adopted this 2 day of Dec, 2021.

AYE
Brad Overton
David Hachmeister
Paul Rice
Greg Richmond

NAY

ATTEST:
Deborah Stevens
Auditor Warrick County

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2021-13A

WHEREAS, the last meeting in December 2021 the Warrick County Council desires to establish their regular meeting dates for the calendar year of 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Warrick County Council that said Board shall hold regular meeting dates on the following days:

THURSDAY	JANUARY	6, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY	3, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	MARCH	3, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	APRIL	7, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	MAY	5, 2022	7:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	JUNE	2, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	JULY	7, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	AUGUST	4, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER	1, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	OCTOBER	6, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER	3, 2022	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	DECEMBER	1, 2022	6:00 P.M.

This Resolution passed and ordained this 2 day of December, 2021.

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