

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM
107 W. Locust Street
Boonville, Indiana
November 3, 2022
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 attended and recorded the minutes.

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 6, 2022 REGULAR MEETING
JULY 13, 2022 DEPARTMENT HEARINGS
OCTOBER 6, 2022 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
OCTOBER 20, 2022 BUDGET ADOPTION

Councilman Greg Richmond: Okay, on the Agenda, the Item 3 will be removed from this agenda and be up on the December Agenda pending some things. So, you can make a note of that.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Approval of minutes, Regular Meeting, October 6; July 13, Department Hearings, October 6th Budget Public Hearing; and October 20th Budget Adoption. Anybody have any comments? Spent four (4) hours today reading the seventy-six (76) pages of the Department Hearings.

Councilman Ron Bacon: Motion to approve.

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

Councilman Chris Whetstine: I'll second it.

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

**HIGHWAY BUSINESS
LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Councilman Greg Richmond: Highway Business, Liability Insurance, twenty-six thousand five hundred twenty-six dollars (\$26,526.00). That's an Additional Appropriation in Highway. Have to have Liability Insurance and it's been going up.

Krystal Powless: They were short in their budget for the bill that they received.

Councilman David Hachmeister: Motion to approve

Councilman Greg Richmond: Motion by David, is there a second?

Councilman Ron Bacon: Second.

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

**HANDBOOK POLICY, REIMBURSEMENTS, TRANSFERS, OR CORRECTIONS
COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR TWO-WEEK PAYOUT
HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR TWO-WEEK PAYOUT
HEALTH MANAGER ONE-WEEK PAYOUT
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TWO-WEEK PAYOUT**

Councilman Greg Richmond: Now, item 4, all those items are Handbook Policy, Reimbursements, Transfers, or Corrections. The, I'll read them and we can do these, all these in number four. Is that correct?

Krystal Powless: That is correct.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Okay. First up is Salary Ordinance, Handbook, two (2) week vacation payout for Council Administrator, two thousand three hundred eighty-three dollars and eleven cents (\$2,383.11). In 4B, Transfer, Handbook, Transfer from Other Services, two thousand three hundred eighty-four dollars (\$2,384.00), Transfer to Council Administrative (Administrator), two thousand three hundred eighty-four dollars (\$2,384.00). In the Health Department, 4C, two (2) week vacation pay out, Administrator, two thousand one hundred sixty dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$2,160.69). One (1) week vacation pay out, Manager, eight hundred forty-one dollars and eighty-eight cents (\$841.88). Two (2) week vacation pay out, Administrative Assistant, one thousand five hundred ninety-eight dollars and seventy-seven cents (\$1,598.77). 4D, Additional Appropriation, according to the Handbook, it's again in the Health Department. Manager, eight hundred forty-two dollars (\$842.00); Administrator, two thousand one hundred sixty-one dollars (\$2,161.00); Administrative Assistant, one thousand five hundred ninety-nine dollars (\$1,599.00). In the Commissioner's, E-911, Additional Appropriation, reimbursement in Contractual Services, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). And 4F in the Commissioners, it's Handbook, two (2) week vacation payout, Administrative Assistant, one thousand five hundred forty-eight dollars and four cents (\$1,548.04). In the Sheriff's budget, Salary Ordinance, Handbook, four (4) days' vacation payout for Lieutenant, one thousand one hundred forty-two dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$1,142.58); five (5) days' vacation payout for Sergeant, one thousand three hundred sixteen dollars and thirty-five cents (\$1,316.35); two (2) days' vacation pay out for Sergeant, four hundred eighty-four dollars and eighty-one cents (\$484.81). In 4H, Superior Court II, Salary Ordinance, according to Handbook, one (1) week vacation pay out, Court Reporter, nine hundred two dollars and eighty cents (\$902.80). Do we do the inline transfer here?

Krystal Powless: No, they didn't need it.

Councilman Greg Richmond: They made it already. Okay. And then 4I, Superior Court. Salary Ordinance, Handbook, two (2) week vacation pay out, Probation Officer, two thousand nine hundred thirty-one dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$2,931.79). And just to explain this to anybody who doesn't understand, this is according to our Handbook, you get vacation days and then if they don't take them...

Krystal Powless: They can get paid out. They have to have worked for the county for twenty (20) years in order to qualify.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Okay.

Krystal Powless: Right? Right.

Councilman Greg Richmond: So, Rob, that's something new to you that you'll be seeing. Is there any discussion on this? Questions?

Councilman Ron Bacon: I've got a question. What, on 4E, it says reimbursement.

Krystal Powless: Yes. It was a reimbursement to E-911 from the City of Boonville. I'm not sure what they were reimbursing them for. But instead of, so for them, okay, so they paid it out of the line item and then the City of Boonville reimbursed them and they wanted to put it back into the line item.

Councilman Ron Bacon: And they're putting it back in?

Krystal Powless: Yes.

Councilman Ron Bacon: All right.

Councilman Greg Richmond: I'll take a motion.

Councilman Ron Bacon: So moved.

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

Councilman Brad Overton: Second.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Second by Brad. Any further discussion? Questions? All those in favor? Seven, zero (7-0). Thank you.

(November Appropriations are located on Page 9 of these Official Minutes)

ELECTION BUSINESS DISCUSSION

Councilman Greg Richmond: (Item) 5, Election Business. Is Andrew, yeah, there he is. Andrew Skinner.

Andrew Skinner: Already?

Councilman Greg Richmond: Yeah, I think this is just to explain it. Yeah, we're moving. And then we have a Resolution to transfer from the Rainy Day Fund after that.

Andrew Skinner: I believe all the document requests are submitted and hopefully you have those in front of you. Few line items, a lot of money's been moved around this year to cover various line items that needed paid out. So, these requests are what is needed to fund those certain line items that money was already moved out of to pay for something else. So, this would be what would be needed in order to fund the rest of the Election which, you can look through those requests, but...

Krystal Powless: That's actually not coming until December.

Andrew Skinner: These, these are just, these are just movements of line items. Right?

Krystal Powless: Yes, but she just gave me those and those are on the December agenda.

Andrew Skinner: So, this is just inner-transfers

Krystal Powless: There's one (1) that I had told her we would try to get on tonight and that's from Election Support to Absentee Voter Boards for two thousand four hundred fifty dollars (\$2,450.00). The rest of all those and all of her additional and everything she sent me yesterday, that's coming on the December agenda.

Andrew Skinner: December?

Krystal Powless: Okay, so she did, just so you all are aware, she did send me appropriations yesterday for next meeting. I did some calculating and it looks like we'll be somewhere around seventy thousand (\$70,000.00) or so short. I know that Andrew was going to speak to the ways that they possibly did save some money from the spring Election to the fall Election.

Andrew Skinner: We did do a lot of, we did a lot of changes, what we could do. We reduced the number of machines at the locations where we could, which we've saved on programming costs for machines. We reduce the number of workers at locations where we could reduce the number of workers. We reduced the number of workers for early voting. The number of machines at early voting. What we could not reduce was the number of days and hours for early voting. So, the most we could do was just limit the number of people that we had there in order to save costs and did save quite a bit by doing that. The other savings we were able to do is we requested Microvote keep some of the printers that they hadn't sent, the new high-speed printers we ordered. We ordered, I forget how many we ordered originally, but we, through cuts and different things we've done, we decided we could get by without that many. So, we returned, asked that they keep a certain portion of them which they agreed to. And that then balance was put as an offset for this Election coming up, their contract fee. That was five thousand (\$5,000.00)...

Clerk Patty Perry: Five thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$5,240.00).

Andrew Skinner: So, we were able to do some work there. So, we've done all the cutting we could do that the law allows for the Election. And I think we've tried to reduce where we can and minimize as much as we can in order to try and reduce the amount of overage that, that occurred from, from the May Election. And I think that was done pretty well. There was an unexpected increase in the number of mailed in ballots as, as you can see, to eat up a lot more postage than what was expected last fall. But aside from that, everything we've done, I think we've done a pretty good job of reducing costs as much as we could from this, for this November Election compared to the May Election. I would like to see, and I know Patty does as well, see some further reductions made in terms of locations and, for 2024. But, as all of you are aware, that has to be a unanimous decision of all three (3) members of Election Board. And, so far, we've not been able to achieve that. That's where we currently stand.

Clerk Patty Perry: We do have a new Election Board member as well.

Andrew Skinner: We do.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Is that Gary?

Andrew Skinner: Grant Gerling was the member this year. He resigned a month ago. Tonya Higgs has been put in his place.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Oh, that's right.

Krystal Powless: So just so you all know, she submitted several transfers and they ended up being inline transfers. And they were sent, they were sent to the Auditor's Office to go ahead and transfer. But there was one (1) transfer that I told her I would bring up under Other Business and that was transferring two thousand four hundred fifty dollars (\$2,450.00) from the Election Support to Absent Voter Boards, and that would get them through. And then in December, she's, they're going to request for Additional Appropriations, but there really isn't enough cash unless you approve this, something from this Rainy Day transfer tonight. So, those are two (2) things on for votes tonight.

Councilman Greg Richmond: So, this page here save to December?

Krystal Powless: Yes, yes.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Okay, so, I guess that's all we need from you right now.

ELECTION TRANSFER

Councilman Greg Richmond: Go to 5, the Rainy Day Transfer.

Councilman Ted Metzger: Before we move on, can we ask a question?

Councilman Greg Richmond: Yes.

Councilman Ted Metzger: We obviously can't go through next year like this. We got a new board member that's new, fresh in the negotiations. So, is there any plans to go back the polling positions for the next year? Can we go back? I mean what's the deal? We can't keep going on year to year like this? There has to be a Plan B at this point, right?

Andrew Skinner: So, any change to the Vote Center Plan that currently exists has to be a unanimous vote. Whether that is to abandon Vote Centers and go back to the precinct-based voting like you suggested, that would require unanimous consent. Certainly, wouldn't be something I would vote for. But to reduce the number of locations requires unanimous consent to, to do. To amend that plan would require unanimous consent. And so, that's where the things we can do that don't require the unanimous consent such as reducing number of workers, reducing the number of machines on Election Day, that we can do, we have done. But the reducing number of locations is just not something we can do without all three (3) votes.

Councilman Ted Metzger: I understand that and that's, that's the elephant in the room. We just can't keep going on with this many Vote Centers next year. I hate to go into next year thinking we're gonna have to do this again, pull from Rainy Day to support Election.

Andrew Skinner: Well, hopefully, and 2024 is our next Election. So hopefully, what we can do is save enough money in 2023 to cover 2024. What we also can do in 2024 is change the length of early voting. But we couldn't change from May to November this year, but we can change in 2024. Instead of doing four (4) weeks you can do two (2) weeks or something, something different. You could change that in 2024. We just couldn't get it changed for this year, because what we did in May, we had to do in November.

Clerk Patty Perry: But we can also, sorry to interrupt, we can also reduce the number of locations which we could not get them to agree with.

Councilman Ted Metzger: I remember. That's the problem the number of locations.

Andrew Skinner: Exactly.

Councilman Ted Metzger: So, it's just, continue to negotiate and hope the other side sees the light and reduces the number of vote centers?

Andrew Skinner: Yes, I will mention that the School Corporation was also putting pressure to make some changes that we weren't able to get accomplished for November. They've got Sharon Elementary as a location they'd like to not see not used because of some problems of where to put kids. They just don't have another place to put the kids for lunch for recess for dismissal. It's hard to keep them separated from the voting area at Sharon. And they'd like to see us move. We talked with the Superintendent and the principal at Boonville High School. We'd like to see going to Boonville High School. Again, those are changes we couldn't do unless we had the unanimous consent and the School Corporation is reaching out to the Democrat party to discuss those issues as well.

Councilman Ted Metzger: It sounds hopeful.

Councilman Greg Richmond: There's a big church right across the street from Sharon School.

Andrew Skinner: There sure is.

Councilman Brad Overton: So, did the, I guess I'm still trying to get a handle on this. Did the increased costs just come from the additional voting weeks that we went from 2020 to 2022?

Krystal Powless: And the number of places that they were voting because you had to staff those places.

Councilman Brad Overton: Right. But, I mean, we had I mean, I guess I just, because, you know, before, we had all the precincts. We had more precinct voting than we did Vote Centers.

Krystal Powless: Yes, but it was only on that one day.

Councilman Brad Overton: So, right, I mean you had early voting on those days too. I mean we had...

Councilman Greg Richmond: Only at the Clerk's Office.

Several speaking at once.

Andrew Skinner: In 2020 General Election was the first year, well, it was back earlier, but that was the first time here recently we had done early voting at places other than the Clerk's Office. We added First Christian Church and Lynnville Community Center, 2020 General Election. That then was continued this year, and that is the additional expense that was added this year that wasn't really calculated, I think, in the overall cost of the of the, of the budget for this year. The actual election day expenses, if you look, are down from previous years. We've saved quite a bit of money from on Election Day because we now only have eighteen (18) places to staff, right? We don't have the twenty (20), thirty (30), forty (40), fifty (50) that we used to have. So the Election Day cost, we're reducing. It's that early voting, that we've added which is a good thing, right? We all wanted early voting, but it is an expense that we didn't use to have.

Councilman David Hachmeister: Well, the disturbing part is spending a bunch more dollars and less people vote. That's disturbing to me.

Andrew Skinner: Well, and, of course, primary years like or off presidential elections are always down. This is pretty consistent with non-presidential years in the past, but certainly when we compare 2020 primary or 2020 general election, which has, had early voting and we compare that to the 2024 general election coming up, we'll have a real good comparison to see how did that influence vote turnout, voter turnout.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Given the times I think we're gonna have a pretty good turnout for an off presidential year.

Clerk Patty Perry: Oh, yes.

Andrew Skinner: We're already seeing quite an increase in the people voting this week and last week. And then of course I already mentioned the mail in ballots has doubled what it was in the primary. Seeing, what, about what, two hundred (200) Something people a day voted just at First Christian Church.

Clerk Patty Perry: Right.

Councilman Ted Metzger: By mail in, you mean absentee, right?

Andrew Skinner: Yes. Yes.

Councilman Ted Metzger: We don't have mail in.

Andrew Skinner: Yes.

Councilman Ted Metzger: Just clearing that up.

Andrew Skinner: Yeah, it confuses a lot of people. When you hear mail in, oh yeah, the ones in the mail. It's not, not the mail in ballot you hear about in Utah and places like that. It's an absentee by mail.

Councilman Ted Metzger: People watching the meeting hear you say, mail in, they think, oh, red flag.

Andrew Skinner: Yeah.

Councilman Greg Richmond: I've not had anybody complain to me about Vote Centers yet. Have any of you heard anything different? They like being able to go where it's convenient, where it's convenient.

Clerk Patty Perry: I've only heard good things.

Councilman Greg Richmond: We need to vote on this transfer from Contract Elections Support to Absentee Voters Board, two thousand four hundred fifty dollars (\$2,450.00).

Councilman Brad Overton: Motion to approve.

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

Councilman David Hachmeister: Yes.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Second by David. Any discussion or questions? All those in favor? All seven of us. (7-0). Thank you.

RAINY DAY TRANSFER RESOLUTION 2022-13

Councilman Greg Richmond: Now this is Warrick County Resolution number, I've lost count.

Auditor Debbie Stevens: Oh, I'm sorry, Resolution 2022-13.

Councilman Greg Richmond: '13, thank you. Warrick County Council Resolution 2022-13. A Resolution of the County Council of Warrick County, Indiana authorizing a transfer of funds from the Rainy Day Fund to the Election Fund for the 2022 Election expenses. Do I need to read Section 1 with the amount?

Cliff Whitehead: No.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Okay.

Councilman Brad Overton: Motion to approve.

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

Councilman Chris Whetstone: I'll second it.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Second by Chris. Any discussions? Or questions, additions? All those in favor? That's seven, zero (7-0). Okay, I think that's all of yours.

Clerk Patty Perry: Thank you, gentlemen.

Andrew Skinner: Thank you

Councilman Greg Richmond: Thank you.

Councilman Ted Metzger: Thank you.

(Resolution 2022-13 is located on Page 10 of these Official Minutes)

REVIEW COUNCIL MEETING DATES AND APPOINTMENTS

Councilman Greg Richmond: Next up, is 5C, the review of Council meeting dates and then the appointment list. I'll do the Council meeting dates first. First of all, on Thursday, May 4th, it says 6:00 pm. But always, that is the Thursday that they have the National Day of Prayer. And so, we should move that in time to 7:00 pm if we keep this calendar. Any discussion or motions?

Councilman Ted Metzger: So, you need a motion to change, accept the dates except May 4th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm on the future dates?

Krystal Powless: I thought...

Councilman David Hachmeister: We need a motion to accept these dates.

Krystal Powless: First of all, we don't have to make a motion tonight. It's going to be on the December agenda. This was to discuss any changes so that I can draft it properly and you guys can, can motion at the next meeting. But there was some discussion from a Council member to move the meetings to Tuesday's. Not changed the time, but move the meeting to Tuesdays.

Councilman Ron Bacon: And we had that discussion earlier in the year. One of the reasons that most of you didn't want to do it was because we had already set the dates for the year which I understand. But, I'm still, would like to move it to Tuesdays rather than Thursdays. I still think it's a better day of the week for all involved. And I've held it to bring it back up for the first of the year. So, that was the discussion then. And that's what I'm doing now.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Everything I've heard from the public, they liked the six o'clock time because most be at work during the day.

Krystal Powless: We're not discussing changing the time.

Councilman Ron Bacon: Yeah, wasn't the time; it was the date.

Councilman Ted Metzger: Except for May 4th.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Yeah.

Councilman Ron Bacon: Yeah, May 4th.

Councilman Greg Richmond: And then, as we look at the appointment list, what would be helpful, if you would express to Krystal or myself where you'd like to serve. And then also any other outside nominees, lay persons that are not a part of the Council for some of these positions that we have appointed. Some require a Council member. Personnel Committee of course all three of them is Council. David won't be with us as we start the new year. And that meetings always around the first of August. And get everybody who wants to make changes in their job descriptions and their plea for, bumped up a notch.

Krystal Powless: It's not fun. I'm just saying.

Councilman Greg Richmond: We do have a job study that we usually refer these to, to help. And with a start out at nine point one percent (9.1%) inflation rate, it's still running almost six (6%), six point one (6.1%) or something like that. I was glad we were able to grant a five percent (5%) increase in salaries. That seemed to be the going rate pretty much everywhere now. I wish we could grant more but we are dealing with a budget and we have to hang on to it. So, like you can read this list. I don't want to read this list over, but you can see all the appointments that are highlighted that are up for this year. If it's a Council member, it usually states Council member or County President or Council appointee. So, this is just for you to review and again, whatever you're interested in, email myself or Krystal or both of us. And that would be helpful then we kind of know where we're going with this. We can talk about it again in December, but really, legally, I don't think we make our appointments until January 5.

Krystal Powless: Yeah. It will be on the January agenda. I'm just trying to give you a heads up if you want to communicate with people.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Yeah.

Krystal Powless: But can I go back to the meeting dates. So just to clarify, so we're just keeping them on Thursdays and I'm supposed to change May 4th to 7:00 pm? Is that...?

Councilman Greg Richmond: If we keep them on Thursday, it will be 7:00 pm, that May 5th.

Councilman David Hachmeister: Well, we always have just because of the Prayer, Prayer Day.

Krystal Powless: I know. I didn't know, you kind of skipped over it. Are you are, you planning to move them to Tuesdays? Are you keeping them on Thursday?

Councilman Greg Richmond: We're just discussing them I don't know.

Cliff Whitehead: Just do two (2) Resolutions.

Krystal Powless: Do two (2) Resolutions? Thank you, Cliff. That was what I was getting at. Like, I didn't know what I was supposed to do so.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Oh. So, we'll take a Resolution to move it to Tuesdays.

Krystal Powless: Either way it takes a Resolution to set your dates. So, I just want to know what to put on the Resolution. So, I'll just do two (2) and then you can vote on it.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Okay. If it moves to Tuesday, May 4th would not have to move.

Krystal Powless: Right.

Councilman Greg Richmond: It would be May 2nd. Okay. I did not have a conflict with any of these dates.

EMS INFORMATION

Councilman Greg Richmond: What else is on here? This EMS Information.

Krystal Powless: Yes, I believe Terry wanted to discuss. Yes.

Commissioner Terry Phillippe: Want to introduce a little bit of information here to you guys this evening to talk about the EMS service in Warrick County. Are all of you aware that there is a nationwide EMS crisis and what EMS services are facing right now? Anybody? With regard to that situation, we've been discussing, EMS services and Warrick County, we the Commissioners across the board. So, I asked to be on the agenda tonight to bring the Council up to date on the contract with EMS. The Commissioners have decided to stay with St. Vincent and as our provider. We have some minor details to work out, but we voted to accept the proposal by St. Vincent in principle at our last meeting. Want you guys to know that this is a very well thought out decision. For over two (2) years, we've been shopping the EMS service in Warrick County much like a person my shop for a contractor or a home builder, we didn't only talk to providers. We talked to customers of providers. I personally have talked to Posey County, Vanderburgh County, Spencer County, Perry County, Knox County, Henderson County, Kentucky, Martin County and Daviess County. And I can't speak to who else the other Commissioners have to talk to but that's, that's the diligence that I've done. So, after investigating all the options, we've decided that St. Vincent is going to remain our provider. So, what I want to do here this evening is get in front of you and anticipate, hopefully, some of the questions that you might ask. So, one (1) of those questions might be, why now? We have two (2) years left on our current contract and sometimes it's good to get out of a contract early. We see this as an opportunity to lock in at today's pricing. I think that you guys on the Council might see that as wise when you have the Sheriff come to you and ask for cars, you might like for him to lock in for the next ten (10) years on the price of cars. If we wait until the current contract expires, I think we jeopardize losing the service completely. If we were to lose the service completely, we know that it is probably a

three (\$3,000,000.00) to five million (\$5,000,000.00) a year proposition just to run the service, not including the capital expenditures that go along with the service. Another question we might anticipate is should we have got more bids? Well, we did get more bids in a way through doing our diligence. We've scrutinized all the EMS providers. We've explored starting our own service and what that might cost, what that would take. And so, in a very real sort of way we have scrutinized more bids. We believe this contract is good for accounting. It's hard fought. The amount that we'll end up negotiating is going to be basically for just operational expenses alone. St. Vincent's is going to end up paying, you know, I don't know exactly what the numbers are, but probably two-thirds (2/3) of the costs of running the ambulance service. So, I'll stop short of calling this a gift from St. Vincent. It definitely favors Warrick County heavily. The one (1) thing I am a thousand percent (1000%) confident is they are the right provider for us. So, I don't need anything from you guys this evening. Just came to introduce the conversation to you and let you know what's going on in effort to communicate. Happy to answer any questions.

Councilman Greg Richmond: And I think several of us met with the EMS Director and got the picture of what they're facing.

Commissioner Terry Phillippe: Yes, and we appreciate that. You guys put an effort into doing some diligence of your own. One of the things that you may have heard in that in that presentation from Tony and Niesha was that, you know, because a lot of the patients are Medicaid, Medicaid billable, that drives the collection rate down very low. And we have put a clause in the contract that basically says if they were to improve that collection rate to a certain percentage, we would renegotiate it automatically. That would be a trigger. Because if they're going to bring in more revenue, we're going to talk again. Any questions? Thank you for your time.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Thank you.

AREA PLAN BUSINESS TRANSFER

Councilman Greg Richmond: There's a transfer that was laying on your desk. I got it today I guess. It's Area Plan and that transfer is from Equipment Maintenance to Furniture, one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00). That's something we need to do.

Councilman David Hachmeister: Motion to approve.

Councilman Brad Overton: Second.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Motion by David and second by Brad. Any questions or discussion? All those in favor? Seven, zero. (7-0)

JAIL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Councilman Greg Richmond: And the last thing I want to mention is the Jail Study Committee, which I'm a part of, is going to have an information gathering session and a presentation on where we stand and kind of give us a little picture about where we need to go on cost, a time calendar of events that needs to happen. Just kind of get some kind of plan going here so, we know what we're looking at and what to plan for with the ESLIT money. And that is going to be on November the 16th at 9:00 am right here in this room, November 16th at 9:00 am. And all of you are invited to come along and listen from what I've heard. And I've asked Krystal to come along to because she has insight into the budgets. So, she's got that on her calendar. So, I don't have anything else. Anybody else have anything else come before the board? If not, I'll entertain a motion.

Councilman Rick Reid: Motion to adjourn.

Councilman Greg Richmond: Motion by Rick. Is there a second?

Councilman Chris Whetstine: I'll second.

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


ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL


Greg Richmond, President


Brad Overton, Vice President

Ron Bacon

David Hachmeister

Richard Reid


Ted Metzger


Chris Whetstine

ATTEST:

Deborah K. Stevens, Auditor
Warrick County, IN

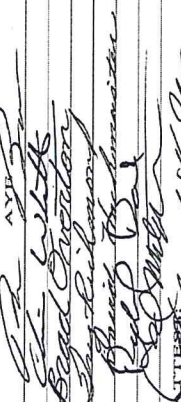
Minutes transcribed by Kristine Georges

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 purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

FUND	APPROPRIATION #	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
Health	1159.11280.000.0000	Manager	\$842.00	842
	1159.11900.000.0000	Administrative Assist.	\$2,161.00	2,161
	1159.11411.000.0000	Administrative Assist.	\$1,599.00	1,599
Highway	1176.34200.000.0533	Liability Insurance	\$26,526.00	26,526
	1222.31400.000.0000	Contractual Services	\$10,000.00	10,000

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

Adopted this 3 day of NOV, 2022.


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Auditor Warrick County

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - 13
 RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF WARRICK COUNTY, INDIANA,
 AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND TO THE
 ELECTION FUND FOR 2022 ELECTION EXPENSES

WHEREAS, the County Council ("Council") of Warrick County, Indiana ("County") created its Rainy Day Fund (the "Fund"), by passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 2004-01, and thereafter amended, pursuant to I.C. § 36-1-8-5.1; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code 36-1-8-5.1(E), "A county, city, or town may at any time, by ordinance or resolution, transfer to (1) its general fund; or (2) any other appropriated funds of the county, city, or town, money that has been deposited in the rainy day fund of the county, city, or town;" and

WHEREAS, the County incurred additional expenses as a result of the 2022 mid-term elections, which were not included in the regular budget for the year 2022 ("2022 Election Expenses"); and

WHEREAS, an extraordinary emergency and necessity exists for the making of the transfer set out herein.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council, as follows:

Section 1. The Council finds and determines that a transfer of \$150,000.00 from the Fund to the Election Fund for the 2022 Election Expenses is consistent with the purposes of the Fund.

Section 2. The President of the Council, County Treasurer, and County Auditor are hereby authorized to take all such actions and to execute all such instruments as are desirable to carry out the transactions contemplated by this Resolution, in such forms as such officer or member executing the same shall deem proper, to be conclusively evidenced by the execution thereof, and any and all actions previously taken, or documents previously executed, in connection with the transactions contemplated by this resolution are hereby ratified and approved.

PASSED this 3 day of NOV 2022.

Greg Richmond
 Greg Richmond, President
Diana Hachmeister
 Diana Hachmeister
Richard Reid
 Richard Reid
Ron Bacon
 Ron Bacon

Warrick County Council

Brad Overton
 Brad Overton, Vice President
Ted Metzger
 Ted Metzger
Chris Whetstone
 Chris Whetstone

ATTEST:
Michael J. Deane
 Warrick County Auditor