

Jefferson County Council Meeting

Jefferson County EMA Building
620 Green Rd, Madison, IN 47250
Tuesday, March 8, 2022
Start: 5:00pm
End: 6:00pm

The meeting was held in person with Council Members Ray Denning, Judy Smith, Pam Crozier, Chris Shelton, Gary Copeland, Heather Foy, and Ray Black in attendance. Auditor Heather Huff and Kristen Jones taking minutes. Ray Denning called the meeting to order and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chris Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting on February 8, 2022. Ray Black seconded the motion. Motion approved 7/0.

Health Department – Tammy Monroe presented to the Council the need for appropriation of the grant money for the new nursing position. This position has been filled, so the salary just needs to be appropriated. April 4, 2022 the new Health Department Administrator will start. To cover both administrators working and to pay out Tammy’s vacation time the funds need to be appropriated in the Local Health Trust Fund – 4999.

Additional for Health Department

1159-001-0115.00	CoAg Nurse	\$33,077.00
1159-001-0172.00	Perf	\$4,697.00
1159-001-0171.00	FICA	\$2,530.00
1159-001-0174.00	Insurance	\$6,750.00

Ray Black made a motion to approve. Gary Copeland seconded the motion. Motion approved 7/0.

Local Health Trust Fund

4999-001-0112.00	Admin & Benefits	\$23,850.00
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Pam Crozier made a motion to approve. Judy Smith seconded the motion. Motion approved 7/0.

The remodeling project for the health depart will start this week.

Treasurer – 1st Deputy, Meghan Hoskins spoke on behalf of Treasurer, Melinda Klopp. Two out of three employees will be retiring later this year in the Treasurer’s office, and they will need to hire someone to train during the April tax season before this happens. There is \$4,000 in their PT line item. They need \$10,000 more to cover the approximate 5 months of salary for the extra person’s training. The Auditor, Heather Huff, will advertise for \$10,000 and this will be addressed at the following meeting.

Public Defender – Devon Sharpe is presenting to the Council concerns of the Public Defender Contract Budget. In years past, the amounts being paid in the PD Contracts have increased but the Budgets have stayed the same. Devon is asking for the PD Contract budget to reflect what the contracts say, which is \$764,072.76 annually. The Budgeted amount for PD Pay is \$589,000.00. For 2022, there will be short falls in the PD Contract accounts. As we get further in the year this will be addressed for an additional or transfer of money from other accounts to shore up these accounts.

Sheriff – Sheriff David Thomas presented there are 143 inmates in house and 41 in outside facilities. The Jail construction is on schedule.

Cum Rate Adjustment – Auditor, Heather Huff presented the changes to the Cum Rate on a hand out from the state.

Cum Courthouse - .012

Cum Bridge - .06

Cum Jail - .0153

These rates are not changing in amount, just being rearranged within the three Cumulative Funds. The Auditor will advertise on March 29, 2022 and April 5, 2022, and then the Council will discuss and vote on this at the following meeting.

Resolution 2022-04

Additional discussed at the previous meeting and advertised.

1222-001-0308.00	911 Radio	\$34,412.00
1140-001-0111.00	Health Dept Windows	\$59,612.00
1159-001-0362.00	Health Dept Reno	\$90,000.00
1138-001-0315.00	Computer Maintenance	\$17,500.00
1112-001-0333.00	Ordinance Update	\$24,960.00
2000-001-0115.00	Prob Pay Increase for State Statute	\$4,000.00
1140-001-0111.00	Election Room Reno	\$50,000.00

Pam Crozier made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-04. Gary Copeland seconded the motion. Motion approved 7/0.

Commissioners – Commissioner, David Bramer stated Andrew Lanam informed him that the Federal Government relaxed the lost revenue restraints. One of the things this opens up for the ARPA Grant is cyber security. A lot of our IT issues will be able to be paid for out of the ARPA money. Commissioner Bramer will look more into this information and relay to the Council at a later date.

Animal Shelter – Council Member, Ray Denning spoke on behalf of Director, Lindsay Stultz. She is requesting that the two part time positions can be combined into one full time position. The two employees that work PT cannot work every day and this creates staffing issues when they have to transport animals to other places. There was further discussion on the inter-local agreements between the Animal Shelter and Jefferson County, City of Madison, and Hanover. These policies will be studied and changes will be discussed at a later date.

SIRPC – Council Member, Pam Crozier informed that there has been a paper shredder purchased for the public @ JPG recycling center. A large roofing project will start soon weather permitting.

Voting Machines – Commissioner, Bobby Little stated that the renovations to the room in the annex for the voting machines to be housed is completed and all machines have been moved in.

Ray Black motioned to adjourn the meeting. Heather Foy seconded the motion. Motion approved 7/0 @ 6:00pm.

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Auditor Attest:
