

POSEY COUNTY COUNCIL TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022

The Posey County Council met in regular session at the Hovey House on Tuesday, March 31, 2022, at 9:00 am. The following members were present at the said meeting: Heather Allyn, Tom Schneider, Aaron Wilson, Dave Pearce, Brandon Deig, Marilyn Brenton, Stefani Miller, County Attorney Joe Harrison, and Auditor Maegen Greenwell.

H. Allyn called the Posey County Council meeting to order at 9:00 am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deacon Mark McDonald led the Council in prayer.

MINUTES

S. Miller made a motion to approve the February 8, 2022, Council minutes as presented; A. Wilson seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

T. Schneider made a motion to approve the February 2022 Treasurer's Reports. B. Deig seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

CLERK'S REPORTS

M. Brenton made a motion to approve the January Clerk's Reports; S. Miller seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

EMS PAY DISCUSSION

H. Allyn stated that the Council has been working with Chris Neaveill on different options to help with the staffing issues in EMS. Mrs. Allyn stated that Mr. Neaveill provided Council with material for today's discussion.

Mr. Neaveill stated he is recommending, along with the advisory board, to raise the part-time pay to what full-time employees are making. Mr. Neaveill stated that currently, part-time paramedics are making \$18.00 per hour, and part-time EMTs are making \$14.00 per hour. Mr. Neaveill stated the proposed rate would be the same as full-time, \$21.32 per hour for paramedics and \$19.68 per hour for EMTs. Mr. Neaveill stated he would like to see the part-time rate increase with the yearly raise that is given.

Mr. Neaveill stated that the other recommendation made by the advisory board is to pay a sleep stipend of \$10.00. H. Allyn asked if other area agencies pay a sleep stipend? Mr. Neaveill stated no, and that most agencies pay hour for hour. T. Schneider asked if part-time employees would factor into the sleep stipend? Mr. Neaveill stated no, part-time employees are paid hour for hour that they worked.

S. Miller made a motion to approve a \$10.00 sleep stipend that will begin at the next pay period; T. Schneider seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

H. Allyn made a motion to increase the hourly part-time paramedic pay to \$20.75 and \$15.00 hourly for EMTs to begin the next payroll; A. Wilson seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

POSEY COUNTY CLERK

Posey County Auditor Maegen Greenwell informed the Council of a recent change in the Clerk's office regarding the need to have separate cash drawers for each of Kay's employees. Mrs. Greenwell stated this is coming down from the State Board of Accounts, who recently informed Mrs. Kilgore of the change. Mrs. Greenwell stated that these funds would come from unappropriated funds as directed by the State Board of Accounts. Mrs. Greenwell stated that at the end of Mrs. Kilgore's term, she would turn the money back into the Auditor's office to be placed back into the County General Fund, and the new Clerk would do the same process at the beginning of their term.

A. Wilson made a motion to approve this request; M. Brenton seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

DORMANT FUND RESOLUTION

Posey County Auditor, Maegen Greenwell, stated at the request of the State Board of Accounts that there are five dormant funds that need to be transitioned into County General; and moving the funds in dormant law enforcement to an active law enforcement fund. M. Brenton made a motion to approve resolution 2022-03-08-01 to move funds from dormant funds to active funds; B. Deig seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0; S. Miller was out of the room.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST

Posey County Auditor, Maegan Greenwell, is requesting an additional appropriation in the amount of \$56,000. Mrs. Greenwell stated this is needed to fund new financial software for the Auditor's office. A. Wilson made a motion to approve this request; M. Brenton seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0

Posey County Auditor, Maegan Greenwell, is requesting an additional appropriation in the amount of \$30,000. Mrs. Greenwell stated this is needed for IT upgrades in the Commissioner's room at the Hovey House. A. Wilson made a motion to approve this request; M. Brenton seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Posey County Auditor, Maegan Greenwell, is requesting an additional appropriation on behalf of Area Plan and Board of Zoning Appeals in the amount of \$5000.00. Mrs. Greenwell stated that this covers an insurance deductible for ongoing litigation. Mrs. Bourne was available for questions. Mrs. Bourne explained that this legal cost was incurred by a lawsuit filed against BZA on a zoning appeal.

Posey County Chief Deputy Sheriff, Jeremy Fortune, is requesting the below additional appropriations to the 1172 fund:

\$10,000.00 to the equipment line
\$200.00 to the uniform line
\$2000.00 to the uniform line
\$3,000.39 to the repairs and maintenance line
\$2,056.11 to the fees line

S. Miller made a motion to approve this request; M. Brenton seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Posey County Auditor Maegan Greenwell is requesting two additional appropriations on behalf of the Sheriff's office. Mrs. Greenwell stated as in years past, the Sheriff would like to use leftover salary funds in both County General and LIT to pay extra into the retirement fund. Mrs. Greenwell stated that at the end of 2021, the Sheriff portion of County General salary lines had \$499.23 left, and in LIT \$27,379.42 was left.

D. Pearce made a motion to approve this request; M. Brenton seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Chief Deputy Fortune is requesting two additional appropriations in the amounts of \$1525.40 and \$107.10 to the repair of vehicles the line of fund 1170. B. Deig made a motion to approve this request; A. Wilson seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Chief Deputy Fortune is requesting the following additional appropriations in the 4905 k9 fund:

\$1000.00 to the uniform line
\$1000.00 to the training line
\$1700.00 to the repair and maintenance line
\$1300.00 to the supply line
\$1148.37 to the equipment line

T. Schneider made a motion to approve this request; S. Miller seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Chief Deputy Fortune is requesting the following two additional appropriations in the 1192 fund:

\$7738.59 in the equipment line

\$1109.88 to the supply line

D. Pearce made a motion to approve this request; S. Miller seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Posey County Highway Superintendent, Stephan Schenk, is requesting the following additional appropriations in the 1176 fund:

\$100,000.00 into the truck line

\$100,000.00 into the road equipment line

\$100,000.00 into the equipment payment line

\$20,000.00 into the office equipment line

D. Pearce made a motion to approve this request; B. Deig seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Posey County Sheriff Chief Deputy, Jeremey Fortune, gave the following inmate housing update:

30 Vanderburgh County

23 DOC

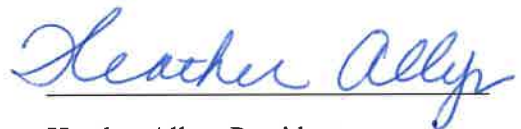
67 Posey County

120 total inmates

\$30,900.00 billed to Vanderburgh County in February

Deputy Fortune stated they are currently down four jailers.

Scott Koressel, with NFP Insurance, spoke to the Council regarding interest in providing property and casualty insurance for Posey County. Mr. Koressel provided Council with information regarding his company. Mrs. Allyn stated the Auditor's office could provide the needed information and specs that are needed to provide a quote.



Heather Allyn, President



Stefani Miller, Vice President

Brandon Deig



Marilyn Brenton

Dave Pearce

Dave Pearce

Thomas R. Schneider

Thomas Schneider

Aaron Wilson

Aaron Wilson

ATTEST: Margen L. Greenwell