

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES – JANUARY 28, 2021**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 5:00 p.m. via zoom as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were: Luke Thomas, David Etienne, Charles Baumeister, Danny Bolin, Lynn Fulkerson, Earla Williams, and Paul Malone. A media representative from the *Perry County News* and Attorney S. Rod Acchiardo were also present. Sheriff Alan Malone was not present for the meeting.

MINUTES

Minutes from the meetings of December 10, 2020 and December 17, 2020 were mailed to the Council members for their review. With no changes or corrections, both sets of minutes were adopted as presented.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Perry County Auditor Pam Goffinet requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$3,426.38 for Shared Deputy within County General fund. She explained that she has tried to do the Shared Deputy position half and half with the Assessor's office for one year and finding the work load in her office is over powering short a deputy half time. By the time she starts on a job, then she has to leave to go to the other office. So before asking for full time again in the Auditor office, Pam and Assessor Mendy Lassaline have come to an agreement to utilize this position 8 months in the Auditor's office and 4 months in the Assessor's office. This will work better of having her weeks at a time instead of half days. Paul made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Charlie. Motion carried 7-0.

Amanda Lasher, Treasurer, requested an additional appropriation from County General fund in the amount of \$1,500.00 for Clerical position. This was approved at the last meeting on January 14th. David made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Danny. Motion carried 6-0 with Charlie abstaining.

Auditor Pam Goffinet also requested \$622.00 for an additional appropriation for Furniture and Equipment withing the Plat Book fund. Pam explained that she was awarded a grant from IPEP for ergonomic desks and chairs for all the stations in the Auditor's office. The grant paid 80% of the cost and her share was 20% which is the \$622.00. The desks and chairs are working great with the employees. Auditor Goffinet received the check from IPEP today also. Earla made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Lynn. Motion carried 7-0.

Judge Lucy Goffinet requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$20,000.00 for Chemical Test Supplies within the Supplemental Adult Probation fund. She said she collects enough revenue from fees for this additional. She won't ask for more than she collects. David made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Danny. Motion carried 7-0.

Assessor Mendy Lassaline requested a reduction in appropriation in the amount of \$3,426.38 for Shared Deputy within the County General fund. This is being reduced for the additional that was asked in the Auditor's office. Charlie made the motion to approve the reduction, seconded by David. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 21-CC-1

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO APPROPRIATE MORE MONEY THAN WAS APPROPRIATED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET; NOW, THEREFORE:

SEC. 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY 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 LAWS GOVERNING THE SAME:

COUNTY				
GENERAL FUND	REQUESTED	APPROPRIATED	AYE	NAY

PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR				
#1000-002-1000.24	\$ 3,426.38	\$ 3,426.38	7	0
SHARED DEPUTY				

PERRY COUNTY TREASURER				
#1000-003-1000.16	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	6	0
CLERICAL ASSISTANT SALARY				

COUNTY GENERAL				
FUND TOTAL:	\$ 4,926.38	\$ 4,926.38		

PLAT BOOK FUND

PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR				
#1181-002-4000.43	\$ 622.00	\$ 622.00	7	0
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT				

PLAT BOOK				
FUND TOTAL:	\$ 622.00	\$ 622.00		

SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT PROBATION FUND

PERRY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT				
#2100-232-2000.13	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	7	0
CHEMICAL TEST SUPPLIES				

SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT				
PROBATION				
FUND TOTAL:	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		

REDUCTION OF APPROPRIATION

COUNTY GENERAL FUND

PERRY COUNTY ASSESSOR				
#1000-008-1000.24	\$ 3,426.38	\$ 3,426.38	7	0
SHARED DEPUTY				

COUNTY GENERAL				
FUND TOTAL:	\$ 3,426.38	\$ 3,426.38		

ADOPTED THIS 28TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2021.

NAY

AYE

LUKE THOMAS	/S/
DAVID A ETIENNE	/S/
PAUL MALONE	/S/
EARLA WILLIAMS	/S/
DANNY BOLIN	/S/
LYNN FULKERSON	/S/
CHARLES BAUMEISTER	/S/

ATTEST:

PAMELA L GOFFINET /S/
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR

BOARD APPOINTMENT – PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

There were three letters of interest submitted for the Public Library Board appointment. The letters were from Patricia Hoskins, James Adkins and Vicky Preflatish. There was discussion among the members. Charlie made the motion to appoint Patricia Hoskins. Luke made the motion to appoint James Adkins. The Council took a vote on the candidates. All were in favor of Patricia Hoskins. The vote carried 7-0. It was said it would be good to have someone from Cannelton to represent the board since she lives there.

BOARD APPOINTMENT – PLAN COMMISSION

This appointment for the Plan Commission which is a Council appointment was left off the list of appointments made at the January 4, 2021 meeting. Earla is currently serving on this board. She said it didn't matter if she retained it. Luke spoke up and said he is willing to serve this year on the board. Danny made the motion to appoint Luke, seconded by Lynn. Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION ON RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL ESTABLISHING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

President Luke Thomas introduced to the Council a resolution that he drafted on policies and procedures on how to conduct meetings. He said there is an AIC webinar on this. He also said that Delaware County had a resolution that helped him. Paul asked if this was standard by all counties. Luke said yes, it is. You either adopt Roberts Rules of Order or Jefferson Standards. Charlie mentioned that the Commissioners would never adopt this because if it is followed accordingly the meeting could be voided. Attorney Rod Acchiardo didn't know about the voiding. He said you do want the meetings to go smoothly. Luke read what he prepared. He said you want to have written standards down and it has not always been done that way. He commented that AIC recommends it and he thinks it is a good idea. He said this is the first reading and wants the rest of the Council to review it.

MISCELLANEOUS

Auditor Pam Goffinet asked the Council about signing some documents from the virtual meetings. She said it is hard to get all of them in to get items signed in a timely manner to get things taken care of. She asked that if it voted on, can she can print their name with /s/. Luke made the motion to allow the Auditor to sign the documents of virtual meetings, seconded by Paul. Motion carried 7-0. Certain documents that need original signature, she will contact them.

Auditor Goffinet also informed the Council that she received a letter from Tell City Mayor Chris Cail that the appointment of Jeff Rogers to the Tell City Economic Development was to expire on January 31, 2021. He also was recommending to reappoint Jeff for another four-year term ending January 31, 2025. He said his professional experience in local industry and his community involvement make him a valuable asset to the commission. Danny made the motion to reappoint Jeff to the board, seconded by Paul. Motion carried 7-0.

Luke reminded the other Council members that at their December meeting they pledged \$9,000.00 to the ambulance service from the extra left of the CARES ACT money that was transferred to County General. This was around \$22,000.00. There was discussion among the members. Danny commented that we need to do this. Auditor Goffinet is to do an additional appropriation for the \$9,000.00 for the February meeting.

Luke said after this to the EMS, it leaves around \$13,000.00. He said we still have the issue of the Health Department and the overtime worked. We could use the rest of this to cover the overtime already accumulated. Luke said he would like for the Council to have a work session to talk about options on affording the EMS and the Health Department overtime. Luke said the overtime is not stopping anytime soon and probably will be going up. Charlie made a motion of intent to use the rest of the CARES ACT money for the overtime, seconded by David. Motion carried 7-0. Auditor Goffinet is to work up figures to see how much to pay for the \$13,000.00.

There being no further business to come before the council, Danny made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Lynn seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0, with adjournment at 5:40 p.m.

Minutes approved this 25th day of February, 2021.

President, Perry County Council

Minutes prepared by:
Pamela L Goffinet, Perry County Auditor