

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL  
MINUTES –OCTOBER 24, 2019**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 5:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. County Council members in attendance were: David Etienne, Luke Thomas, Earla Williams, Charlie Baumeister and Steve Goodson. Absent were Danny Bolin and Lynn Fulkerson. A media representative was present for the meeting and also attending was Council Attorney, S. Rod Acchiardo. Sheriff Alan Malone was also in attendance. Chief Deputy Connie Berger attended the meeting in the absence of Auditor Pam Goffinet who was at training.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the meetings of September 4<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 had been mailed to the Council for their review. Steve made the motion to approve the minutes from the September 4<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Luke seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Luke made the motion to approve the minutes from the September 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, and Steve seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-2 with Charlie and Earla abstaining.

**TRANSFERS**

Auditor Pam Goffinet requested a transfer of \$2,088.00 from Deputies Salary to Deputy (Shared) within the Auditor's budget in the County General fund. Charlie made the motion to approve the request and Steve seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer Paul Alvey requested a transfer of \$1000.00 from Second Deputy to Clerical Assistant in the Treasurer budget within the County General fund. Earla made the motion to approve the request and Luke seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

County Assessor Mendy Lassaline requested the following transfer within her budget: \$2,088.00 from Part Time Deputy to Deputy (Shared); \$250.00 from Office Supplies \$400.00 from Travel and \$100.00 from Equipment Repair to PP/Sales Disclosure Program in the amount of \$750.00. Charlie made the motion to approve the request and Luke seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

The Perry County Commissioners requested the following transfer within their budget; \$241.05 from Office Supplies; \$40.17 from Printing and \$66.78 Drug Testing to Furniture & Equipment in the amount of \$348.00. Earla made the motion to approve the request and Steve seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Perry Circuit Court requested the following transfers within their budget; \$300.00 from Office Supplies to Jury Supplies; \$3,000.00 from Medical Exams to Compensation Pauper Atty. Charlie made the motion to allow the transfer request. Earla seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

Mendy Lassaline, Perry County Assessor, requested the following transfer within the Property Reassessment Fund; \$2,500.00 from Office Supplies; \$2,000.00 from Postage and \$1,400.00 from Travel to PP/Sales Disclosure Program in the amount of \$5,900.00. Mendy explained that the Personal Property program she was using will no longer be available and the State will no longer support the Sales Disclosure Program. Mendy stated that the only company that offers both programs is X-Soft. The cost for the program is \$25,000.00 and there is an \$8,000.00 maintenance cost annually thereafter. She explained she has asked for several transfers and additional appropriations within different fund to cover the cost. Luke made the motion to approve the request and Earla seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Perry Circuit Court requested a transfer within the Supplemental Adult Probation Fund in the amount of \$800.00 from Furniture and Fixtures to Bailiff Salary. Charlie made the motion to approve the request and Steve seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**TRANSFER APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

**CC-19-9**

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM ONE MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATION TO ANOTHER MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATION IN THE FOLLOWING NAMED BUDGET; NOW THEREFORE:

SEC. 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS BE MADE IN THE FOLLOWING MADE BUDGET:

**COUNTY GENERAL FUND**

**TRANSFER \$ 2,088.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-002-1000.13 DEPUTY SALARY**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1000-002-1000.24 DEPUTY (SHARED) \$ 2,088.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR'S BUDGET**

**TRANSFER \$ 1,000.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-003-1000.13 SECOND DEPUTY**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1000-003-1000.16 CLERICAL ASSISTANT \$ 1,000.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY TREASURER'S BUDGET**

**TRANSFER \$ 2,088.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-008-1000.20 PART TIME DEPUTY**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1000-008-1000.24 SHARED DEPUTY \$ 2,088.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY ASSESSOR'S BUDGET**

**TRANSFER \$ 750.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-008-2000.11 OFFICE SUPPLIES \$250.00**  
**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-008-3000.22 TRAVEL \$400.00**  
**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-008-3000.62 EQUIPMENT REPAIR \$100.00**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1000-008-3000.91 PP/SALES DISCL**  
**PROGAM \$ 750.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY ASSESSOR'S BUDGET**

**TRANSFER \$ 348.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-068-2000.11 OFFICE SUPPLIES \$241.05**  
**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-068-3000.08 DRUG TESTING \$66.78**  
**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-068-3000.32 PRINTING \$40.17**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1000-068-4000.41 FURNITURE & EQUIP \$ 348.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S BUDGET**

**TRANSFER \$ 300.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-232-2000.11 OFFICE SUPPLIES**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1000-232-2000.44 JURY SUPPLIES \$ 300.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY CIRCUIT COURT BUDGET**

**TRANSFER \$ 3,000.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-232-3000.98 MEDICAL EXAMS**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1000-232-3000.11 COMPENSATION**  
**PAUPER ATTORNEY \$ 3000.00**  
**WITHIN: PERRY CIRCUIT COURT BUDGET**

**PROPERTY REASSESSMENT FUND**

**TRANSFER \$ 5,900.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #1188-008-2000.11 OFFICE SUPPLIES \$2,500.00**  
**FROM: ACCOUNT #1188-008-3000.21 POSTAGE \$2,000.00**  
**FROM: ACCOUNT #1188-008-3000.22 TRAVEL \$1,400.00**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #1188-008-3000.91 PP/SALES DISCL**  
**PROGRAM \$ 5,900.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY ASSESSOR'S BUDGET**

**SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT PROBATION FUND**

**TRANSFER \$ 800.00**

**FROM: ACCOUNT #2100-232-4000.41 FURNITURE & FIXTURES**  
**TO: ACCOUNT #2100-232-1000.25 BAILIFF'S SALARY \$ 800.00**

**WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT BUDGET**

ADOPTED THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019.

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EARLA J WILLIAMS /S/  
CHARLES BAUMEISTER /S/

ATTEST:

PAMELA L. GOFFINET /S/  
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Perry Circuit Court requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$50,000.00 for Compensation Pauper Attorney. It was explained that \$25,000.00 was being requested in the Riverboat Fund, so only \$25,000.00 could be allowed in the County General Fund. Luke made the motion to allow \$25,000.00 within the Circuit Court budget within the County General Fund. Charlie seconded the motion, and motion carried 5-0.

The Perry County Prosecuting Attorney requested an additional appropriation within the IV-D Child Support budget for Computers in the amount of \$2,000.00. Motion was made by Charlie to approve the request and Earla seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Perry County Assessor, Mendy Lassaline, requested an additional appropriation within the Sales Disclosure Fund for PP/Sales Disclosure Program in the amount of \$9,000.00. Luke made the motion to approve the request and Steve seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Perry County Sheriff, Alan Malone, requested an additional appropriation within the LIT-Public Safety-Co Share Fund in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Part-Time Police Officer. Charlie made the motion to approve the request and Earla seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The County Assessor requested an additional appropriation within the Property Reassessment Fund in the amount of \$93.28 for Deputy Salary. Earla made the motion to approve the request and Charlie seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The County Assessor requested additional appropriations within the Riverboat Fund as follows; PP/Sales Disclosure Maintenance in the amount of \$8,000.00 and \$9,350.00 for PP/Sales Disclosure Program. Perry Circuit Court also requested an additional appropriation request within the Riverboat Fund for compensation Pauper Attorney in the amount of \$25,000.00. Luke made the motion to approve the requests and Earla seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Perry County Sheriff, Alan Malone, requested an additional appropriation within the Jail Operations Fund in the amount of \$1,900.00 for Maintenance Contracts. Motion was made by Charlie and seconded by Earla. Motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff Malone requested additional appropriations within the Inmate Housing Fund as follows: \$5,000.00 for Gas & Oil for Police Cars and \$5,000.00 for Janitorial/Maintenance Supplies. Steve made the motion to approve the requests and Luke seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 19-CC-11**

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:

<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>	<b><u>REQUESTED</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED</u></b>	<b><u>AYE</u></b>	<b><u>NAY</u></b>
<b><u>PERRY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT</u></b>				
#1000-232-3000.11 COMPENSATION PAUPER ATTORNEY	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	5	0
<b><u>IV-D CHILD SUPPORT</u></b>				
#1000-660-4000.46 COMPUTERS	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	5	0
<b>COUNTY GENERAL FUND TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 52,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 27,000.00</b>		
<b><u>SALES DISCLOSURE FUND</u></b>				
<b><u>PERRY COUNTY ASSESSOR</u></b>				
#1131-008-3000.91 PERSONAL PROPERTY/ SALES DISCLOSURE PROGRAM	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	5	0
<b>SALES DISCLOSURE FUND TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 9,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,000.00</b>		
<b><u>LIT-PUBLIC SAFETY-CO SHARE FUND</u></b>				
<b><u>PERRY COUNTY SHERIFF</u></b>				
#1170-005-1000.29 PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	5	0

**LIT-PUBLIC SAFETY-CO SHARE**  
**FUND TOTAL:                    \$ 5,000.00                    \$ 5,000.00**

**PROPERTY REASSESSMENT FUND**

PERRY COUNTY ASSESSOR  
#1188-008-1000.11                    \$ 93.28                    \$ 93.28                    5                    0  
SHARED DEPUTY SALARY

**PROPERTY REASSESSMENT**  
**FUND TOTAL:                    \$ 93.28                    \$ 93.28**

**RIVERBOAT FUND**

PERRY COUNTY ASSESSOR  
#1191-008-3000.61                    \$ 8,000.00                    \$ 8,000.00                    5                    0  
PERSONAL PROPERTY/  
SALES DISCLOSURE MAINTENANCE  
#1191-008-3000.91                    \$ 9,350.00                    \$ 9,350.00                    5                    0  
PERSONAL PROPERTY/  
SALES DISCLOSURE PROGRAM

PERRY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
#1191-232-3000.11                    \$25,000.00                    \$25,000.00                    5                    0  
COMPENSATION PAUPER ATTORNEY

**RIVERBOAT**  
**FUND TOTAL:                    \$ 42,350.00                    \$ 42,350.00**

**JAIL OPERATIONS FUND**

PERRY COUNTY JAIL  
#4927-380-3000.12                    \$ 1,900.00                    \$ 1,900.00                    5                    0  
MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS

**JAIL OPERATIONS**  
**FUND TOTAL:                    \$ 1,900.00                    \$ 1,900.00**

**INMATE HOUSING FUND**

PERRY COUNTY SHERIFF  
#4929-005-2000.31                    \$ 5,000.00                    \$ 5,000.00                    5                    0  
GAS & OIL FOR POLICE CARS

PERRY COUNTY JAIL  
#4929-380-2000.31                    \$ 5,000.00                    \$ 5,000.00                    5                    0  
JANITORIAL/MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES

**INMATE HOUSING**  
**FUND TOTAL:                    \$ 10,000.00                    \$ 10,000.00**

ADOPTED THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019.

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LUKE THOMAS                    /S/  
STEVE GOODSON                    /S/  
EARLA J WILLIAMS                    /S/  
CHARLES BAUMEISTER                    /S/

ATTEST:

PAMELA L. GOFFINET    /S/  
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR

**TEMPORARY ADVANCE**

Pam Goffinet, Auditor, had prepared a temporary advance in the amount of \$300,000.00 from LIT – Special Legislation fund to County General fund, \$50,000.00 to Health fund and \$100,000.00 to Cumulative Capital Development fund. It was explained that the advance will be paid back when tax dollars are distributed this fall. This is to help with the cash flow at this time. Steve made the motion to approve the Temporary Advance and Charlie seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**TRANSFER FOR TEMPORARY ADVANCE  
ORDINANCE**

**CC-19-2**

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO TEMPORARILY ADVANCE MONEY FROM MAJOR FUNDS WHOSE REVENUES ARE DERIVED FROM THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF TAXES ON PROPERTY, THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF SPECIAL TAXES, AND FROM OTHER REVENUE DERIVED FROM ANY OPERATION OF THE COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH 36-1-8-4.

WHEREAS, AN EMERGENCY EXISTS IN WHICH CASH FOR THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND, HEALTH FUND AND CUMULATIVE CAPITAL FUND MAY BE NEEDED TO COVER THEIR BUDGETS UNTIL TAXES ARE COLLECTED AT WHICH TIME THE LOAN WILL BE RE-PAID IN THE 2019 FALL SETTLEMENT;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT THE FOLLOWING TEMPORARY ADVANCE (LOAN) BE MADE AT SUCH TIME WHEN THE CASH IN THE COUNTY GENERAL, HEALTH AND CUMULATIVE CAPITAL FUNDS IS DEPLETED, IN AN AMOUNT UP TO, BUT NOT EXCEEDING, THE AMOUNT ESTABLISHED HEREIN:

**TRANSFER \$ 300,000**  
**FROM FUND #1114: LIT – SPECIAL LEGISLATION**  
**TO FUND #1000: COUNTY GENERAL FUND \$300,000**

**TRANSFER \$ 50,000**  
**FROM FUND #1114: LIT – SPECIAL LEGISLATION**  
**TO FUND #1159: HEALTH FUND \$ 50,000**

**TRANSFER \$ 100,000**  
**FROM FUND #1114: LIT- SPECIAL LEGISLATION**  
**TO FUND #1138: CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEV. FUND \$100,000**

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**SALARY AMENDMENT**

It was explained that since the County Council approved the transfer requests for the Deputy (Shared) in the Auditor’s office and Assessor’s office the Salary Ordinance needed to be amended. The salary amount paid for this position will be \$521.98 bi-weekly for both offices. Luke made the motion to amend the salary ordinance and Earla seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**EMPLOYEE POSITION REQUEST**

Chief Deputy Coroner, Kim Robertson, attended the meeting and explained that the Coroner Nick Etienne had resigned along with one of the Deputy Coroners. Kim stated she would like to fill the position of the Deputy Coroner at this time. Charlie made the motion to allow the Coroner’s office to fill the position of Deputy Coroner. Earla seconded the motion and motion carried 5-0.

**EMPLOYEE POSITION REQUEST**

Clerk Mandy Mogan, explained that she received notice this week that one of her employees would be leaving and her last day will be November 1<sup>st</sup>. She stated that she would like to fill this full time position. Several council members asked if she could get by with a part time employee in this position. Mandy stated that she had tried at one time to not fill this position and it did not work, so she hired a full time person. Mandy explained that next year will be a big election year and that will be a very busy year for her office. There was much discussion between Council members and Mandy as to if she could get by with a part time position. Steve made a motion to allow the hiring of a part time person for 29 hours a week at second deputy pay for 3 months (December, January & February) and after this the council will review the position. Luke seconded the motion and motion carried 5-0.

**INCOME TAX CHANGES**

David explained that they had talked several times this year about making changes to the income tax for Perry County. Luke explained the he had been looking at the current rates and the amounts that were being collected. He was proposing that the rate for Public Safety be changed from .25 to .3 and the rate for LIT Special Legislation (Detention Center) from .5 to .34. This will reduce the rate from 1.81 to 1.7. Luke stated that he would like to see the increase in Public Safety to help with hiring more deputies. There is concern among council members is that if the rates are changed or reduced it could affect the county’s bond rating. Luke stated that he would like to see the legislation on the Special Purpose tax changed that any funds left after all bond payments have been made would go to a jail maintenance fund instead of the County Highway Fund. Council members discussed that they would like to do a conference call with legal counsel and then have a work session to see if they want to make these proposed changes before the end of the year.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Sheriff Alan Malone explained that he would like to purchase a transport van to be used for transporting inmates to court, hospital or doctor. Alan stated that the van will only be used for jail transport. He said the price for a 2019 van is approximately \$23,650.00 and the cost to equipment the car would be between \$4,000.00 or \$5,000.00. He said that he can purchase the van from the Special Legislative (Detention Center) fund, and was asking the Council for a motion of intent tonight so he can purchase the van. Charlie made the motion of intent to allow Alan to purchase the van in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 and Earla seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no further business, Charlie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Luke seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0, with adjournment at 5:45p.m.

Minutes approved this 26th day of November, 2019.

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President, Perry County Council

*Minutes prepared by:  
Pamela L. Goffinet, Perry County Auditor*