

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL  
MINUTES – March 26, 2020**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 5:00 p.m. by WebEx call in. Council members in attendance by roll call were: President David Etienne, Luke Thomas, Charles Baumeister, Danny Bolin, Earla Williams, and Lynn Fulkerson. Steve Goodson was absent. Council Attorney, S. Rod Acchiardo, was also present on the call.

To open the meeting, David said we all need to say a prayer to get through this pandemic.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

The Perry County Commissioners requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$12,282.88 within the County General fund for Distribution of Timber Sales. The County receives 15% of net proceeds from sale of timber on State Forest lands. 50% of the 15% net proceeds stay in County General and the other 50% is distributed to rural and volunteer fire departments who qualify by having a cooperative agreement with the DNR. Luke made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Danny. Motion carried 6-0.

The Commissioners also had an additional request of \$34,000.00 for Armory Annex Storage Building in County General fund. This same amount is also being requested in the CEDIT Distribution fund. It was advertised in both funds so the Council could decide which is best. There was discussion among the Council members as to where to take the money. David commented that he wished there was more than one bid and that he didn't know the County would make up the difference if the price came in higher than the approved \$120,000.00. Commissioner Randy Kleaving said the EDIT plan has already been redone. He said this CEDIT Distribution is from the extra EDIT money the state has sent. Commissioner Randy Kleaving informed the Council that there is a time restraint and if they do not approve this at this meeting, then the concrete price will increase and they will have to start over with the advertising and bidding process. We have been working on this for over a year now. Charlie made the motion to take half (\$17,000.00) from County General and half (\$17,000.00) from the CEDIT Distribution fund. Danny seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Sheriff Alan Malone requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$20,000.00 for County Police Car from the Inmate Housing fund. This is to pay the remaining balance for a car. The Council budgeted \$19,000.00 at budget time to help with the purchase. Charlie made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Luke. Motion carried 6-0.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 20-CC-3**

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>COUNTY GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>REQUESTED</b>	<b>APPROPRIATED</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b><u>PERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u></b>				
#1000-068-3000.97 DISTRIBUTION TIMBER SALES	\$ 12,282.88	\$ 12,282.88	6	0
#1000-068-4000.20 AMORY ANNEX STORAGE BLDG.	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	6	0
<b>COUNTY GENERAL FUND TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 46,282.88</b>	<b>\$ 29,282.88</b>		

**INMATE HOUSING FUND**

**PERRY COUNTY SHERIFF**

#4929-005-4000.43                   \$ 20,000.00                   \$ 20,000.00                   6           0  
COUNTY POLICE CAR

**INMATE HOUSING**

**FUND TOTAL:                   \$ 20,000.00                   \$ 20,000.00**

**CEDIT DISTRIBUTION**

**FUND TOTAL**

**PERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

#7312-068-4000.20                   \$ 34,000.00                   \$ 17,000.00                   6           0  
AMORY ANNEX STORAGE BLDG.

**CEDIT DISTRIBUTION**

**FUND TOTAL:                   \$ 34,000.00                   \$ 17,000.00**

ADOPTED THIS 26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

NAY

AYE

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

ATTEST:

PAMELA L GOFFINET /S/  
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR

**TRANSFERS**

The Perry County Commissioners submitted a transfer of \$200.00 from Official Bonds to Census Outreach within the County General fund. This is for the County’s portion for advertising on a billboard for the 2020 Census.

The Planning & Zoning Office requested a transfer of \$58.00 from Part-time Administrator to Office Equipment within the County General fund. This is the balance needed to purchase a new computer for the office.

Mendy Lassaline, County Assessor, requested a transfer within the Reassessment fund of \$2,970.00 from Office Supplies, \$2,200.00 from Postage and \$370.00 from Travel to Computers for a total of \$5,540.00. This is to purchase new computers and monitors for the office. The current ones are outdated.

Danny made the motion to approve all the transfers as listed, seconded by Earla. Motion carried 6-0.

**TRANSFER APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

**CC-20-03**

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 **\$ 58.00**  
FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-101-1000.12  
PART-TIME ADMINISTRATOR \$ 58.00  
TO: ACCOUNT #1000-101-4000.41  
OFFICE EQUIPMENT  
WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING BUDGET

TRANSFER **\$ 200.00**  
FROM: ACCOUNT #1000-068-3000.41  
OFFICIAL BONDS \$ 200.00  
TO: ACCOUNT #1000-068-3000.26  
CENSUS OUTREACH  
WITHIN: PERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S BUDGET

**PROPERTY REASSESSMENT FUND**

TRANSFER **\$ 5,540.00**  
FROM: ACCOUNT #1188-008-2000.11  
OFFICE SUPPLIES \$ 2,970.00  
FROM: ACCOUNT #1188-008-3000.21  
POSTAGE \$ 2,200.00  
FROM: ACCOUNT #1188-008-3000.22  
TRAVEL \$ 370.00  
TO: ACCOUNT #1188-008-4000.46  
COMPUTERS \$ 5,540.00  
WITHIN: PROPERTY REASSESSMENT BUDGET

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**CLERK'S PART TIME POSITION**

This would be the 30 days from the last meeting to decide on the part time position for the Clerk's office. David said it would be better to wait to decide on this position until we get a new Clerk and also return to a normal meeting schedule. Danny made the motion to table this decision, seconded by Charlie. Motion carried 5-1 with Luke voting against.

**TEMPORARY ADVANCE**

Auditor Pam Goffinet explained to the Council that this advance is needed until tax dollars come in to help with the revenue. She informed that the dollars may come in different this year. The Governor has remained that May 11<sup>th</sup> is tax deadline but tax payers have 60 days to follow to pay their taxes without penalty. She said she sees more people paying after the deadline which means less money coming in the spring and more in the fall. This would be the exact opposite than in past years. Luke made the motion to approve the advance, seconded by Danny. Motion carried 6-0.

**TRANSFER FOR TEMPORARY ADVANCE  
ORDINANCE**

**CC-20-1**

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 2020 SPRING SETTLEMENT OR THE 2020 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 \$ 300,000.00**  
**FROM FUND #1114: LIT – SPECIAL LEGISLATION**  
**TO FUND #1000: COUNTY GENERAL FUND \$300,000**

**TRANSFER \$ 50,000.00**  
**FROM FUND #1114: LIT – SPECIAL LEGISLATION**  
**TO FUND #1159: HEALTH FUND \$ 50,000**

**TRANSFER \$ 100,000.00**  
**FROM FUND #1114: LIT- SPECIAL LEGISLATION**  
**TO FUND #1138: CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEV. FUND \$100,000**

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**MISCELLANEOUS**

Luke commented that Perry County's stats are below the State average for self-response rate on the 2020 Census.

The next meeting will be at the Courthouse in April unless things change because of the pandemic. Early voting is expected to begin May 5<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business to come before the council, Danny made a motion to adjourn the call meeting. Charlie seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0, with adjournment at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes approved this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

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President, Perry County Council

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