

**WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY MARCH 28, 2022**

Council present for the meeting: Derek Puterbaugh, John Comer, Matt Commons, Ethan Foxworthy, Sharon Hutchison, Neil Ellis and Brian Jordan.

Public: Mark Doud, Ben Dispennett.

Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor; Lori Heidenreich, Treasurer; Jenny Hobaugh, Solid Waste Director; Jill Wilson, HR Director; Rusty Hart, Sheriff; Craig Greenwood, Commissioner.

1. The meeting was called to order by Ethan Foxworthy, President of the Council.
2. , Council President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
 - a. Neil Ellis made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented with a second from Brian Joran, all voted in favor.
 - b. Sharon Hutchison made a motion to approve the February 28, 2022 with a second from Matt Commons, all voted in favor.
 - c. 2022 Additional Appropriation Resolutions -
 - i. John Comer made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation Resolution 2022-0328C Grant Writer Contractual and Expenses Lines, Jordan Creek Wind Farm Expense Fund \$25,000 and \$2,000 - Comprehensive Plan, Economic Development \$74,900 – Community Crossings Grant County Share, Economic Development \$122,296.93 – ADA/Title IV-D Expenses, Economic Development \$10,000 – Wellness Program, County General \$6,200 - WHIN Grant County share, Jordan Creek Wind Farm Expense \$25,000 with a second from Matt Commons, all voted in favor.
 - ii. Matt Commons made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation Resolution 2022-0328A Court Additional Appropriation Resolution with a second from John Comer, all voted in favor.
 - d. West Lebanon Library Additional Appropriation Resolution – Sharon Hutchison made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation Resolution #2022-0328B West Lebanon Library Improvement Reserve Fund with a second from Neil Ellis, all voted in favor.
 - e. 2022 Salary Ordinance Amendment, Additional Probation Officer Salary - John Comer made a motion to approve the 2022 Amended Salary Ordinance with a second from Sharon Hutchison, all voted in favor.
4. Elected Official/Department Head comments:
 - a. Rusty Hart, Sheriff – Hart presented the 2021 Commissary and Sheriff/Jail Annual Reports. Hart explained housing inmate revenue of \$43,600. Huston Electric will be here this week for a new generator quote. Discussed moving of the 911 dispatch. Explained the 2021 Tahoe's have been received with 2 outfitted, 1 is being outfitted.
 - b. Jenny Hobaugh, Solid Waste Director - Hobaugh explained the Solid Waste Board approved the addition of 1 employee at the March 21st meeting. Hobaugh is requesting permission from the Council and additional appropriation. Hobaugh explained her cash balance, revenue and budget estimating a balance is \$140,109 at the end of 2022. Neil Ellis made a motion to approve the additional employee and additional appropriation to the Solid Waste budget of \$36,754 with a second from Sharon Hutchison, all voted in favor.
 - c. Sharon Hutchison, Council – Explained an email that was received from a taxpayer on 875E. Council discussed and referred to the Commissioners.
5. Public Comment:
 - a. Ben Dispennett – Dispennett explained the READI grant which is a 6-county region with 5 categories to attract and retain workforce in the county. Categories are infrastructure to increase housing, Wabash River greenway, expanding child care, Indiana Veterans to bring retiring service members to Indiana, Purdue airport expansion (commercial service). Dispennett will have a report next month concerning the projects chosen. Dispennett explained the Broadband RFP's have been advertised. There have been approximately 10 companies interested at this point. After proposals have been returned the Review Committee will review the proposals and present to the County in May.
 - b. Lori Heidenreich, Treasurer – Heidenreich stated 2022 tax bills have been sent out.
 - c. Jill Wilson, HR Director – Wilson stated the HR will be moving into old extension building by the end of this week.
 - d. Craig Greenwood, Commissioner – Greenwood explained the Courthouse interior work stating issues with a large crack in the wall of the Probation Office which will require brick removal and repair. Painting is continuing as well.

Next Council meeting April 25, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m.

There being no further business Brian Jordan made a motion to adjourn with a second from Derek Puterbaugh, all voted in favor.

ATTEST:

Robin Weston-Hubner
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Ethan Foxworthy
Ethan Foxworthy, President

W. Brian Jordan
W Brian Jordan, Vice President

John Comer
John Comer

Sharon Hutchison
Sharon Hutchison

Neil Ellis
Neil Ellis

Matt Commons
Matt Commons

Derek Puterbaugh
Derek Puterbaugh