

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, January 11, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, and Will Patterson; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. Council member Adam Faulstich was absent. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by Mike Henry, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

BOARD ORGANIZATION

Deb Johnson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to retain Jesse Bohannon as President and Tim Harman as Vice President. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent Jason Peters explained the deadline to apply for Community Crossings is approaching and requested permission to apply. Superintendent Peters explained the total project cost is estimated at \$2,188,309 with INDOT funding 75% (\$1,641,231.75) and requested support for local matching funds in the sum of \$547,077.25. **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to support the matching funds of \$547,077.25. Motion carried 6-0.**

A Joint Work Session is scheduled for January 24th at 9:30 a.m. to discuss Highway projects and future funding.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, **Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(1): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriations was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on December 28, 2023.

Opioid Unrestricted Funds: Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$24,756.87 into Contractual Services. Motion carried 6-0.
CDBG Owner Occupied Rehab Project: Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$100,000 into Program Administration Services; \$23,520 into Home #1; \$19,495 into Home #2; \$25,000 into Home #3; \$22,700 into Home #4; and \$24,875 into Home #6. Motion carried 6-0.

Crisis CoAg COVID-19: Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$20,000 into Wages-Overtime; \$30,000 into Wages-School Liaison; \$6,000 into Employer Social Security; \$4,000 into Group Health Insurance; \$200 into Group

Life Insurance; \$3,000 into Employer PERF; \$30,000 into Supplies; \$8,400 into Travel/Mileage; and \$8,400 into Training. Motion carried 6-0.

COVID-19 Insurance Reimbursement: Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$68,262.31 into Supplies; \$22,067.73 into Contractual; \$4,999.99 into Training; and \$4,634.99 into Printing & Advertising. Motion carried 6-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(1):

Community Corrections Project Income: Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$69,286.67 from Monitoring Fees-Adult into Electronic Monitoring Equipment. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes of December 14, 2023 and December 28, 2023: Jim Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the minutes of December 14, 2023 and December 28, 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance 2024-4(1) Establish New County Funds: Nicole Cox moved, second by Jim Masterson, to approve Ordinance 2024-4(1) Establish New County Fund 4702 for Medical Benefits Self Insurance. Motion carried 6-0.

Lebbin Law Office Engagement for Legal Services: Tim Harman moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the Engagement for Legal Services of Marcel Lebbin for calendar year 2024 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Cender Dalton Financial Consultant Annual Service Agreement: Nicole Cox moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the Cender Dalton Financial Consultant Annual Service Agreement for calendar year 2024 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Sheriff's Salary Contract: Jim Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the Sheriff's Salary Contract for calendar year 2024 in the sum of \$99,744.84. Motion carried 6-0.

2024 Board Appointments: Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox to approve the Council appointments as follows:

Marshall County Plan Commission	Deborah Johnson	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
BZA	Jim Kephart	4 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2027
Alcoholic Beverage Board	Maria Keller	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
MACOG	Jesse Bohannon	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Culver Economic Development	Shannon Lunetta	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Plymouth Economic Development	Kathy Wraight	4 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2027
Fair Board	Becky Carswell	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Extension Board	Harold Diedrich	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
EMA	Nicole Cox	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Technology Committee	Adam Faulstich	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Central Dispatch Committee	Jesse Bohannon	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
	Tim Harman	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Solid Waste Board	Jim Masterson	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Unsafe Building	Jim Masterson	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
LEPC	Will Patterson	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024

Job Classification/Compensation	Tim Harman	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
	Deborah Johnson	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
	Nicole Cox	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Highway Subcommittee	Jesse Bohannon	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
	Tim Harman	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
	Deborah Johnson	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
Budget & Finance Subcommittee	Tim Harman	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
	Jesse Bohannon	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
	Nicole Cox	1 Year – 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024

2024 Department First Point of Contacts:

Assessor	Jim Masterson
Auditor	Jesse Bohannon
Building Inspector	Deborah Johnson
Judiciary	Nicole Cox
Clerk	Adam Faulstich
Commissioners	Jesse Bohannon
Community Corrections	Will Patterson
Coroner	Jim Masterson
EMA	Nicole Cox
Extension	Nicole Cox
Health/WIC	Will Patterson
Highway	Jesse Bohannon
Plan Commission/BZA	Deborah Johnson
Probation	Will Patterson
Museum	Nicole Cox
Prosecutor	Nicole Cox
Recorder	Jim Masterson
Sheriff/Jail	Tim Harman
Soil & Water	Jim Masterson
Surveyor	Deborah Johnson
Information Technology	Adam Faulstich
Treasurer	Adam Faulstich
Veterans Service	James Masterson
Weights & Measures	Adam Faulstich

Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC INPUT

Extension Board Member Steve Barry requested confirmation that Harold Diedrich had been appointed to the Extension Board.

Extension Educator of Health & Human Services Karen Richey and Extension Ag & Natural Resources Educator Brianna Slonaker provided clarification that the Extension Board appointment needs to be a Council member. **Jesse Bohannon moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to amend the appointment of the Extension Board appointment from Harold Diedrich to Nicole Cox. Motion carried 6-0.**

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m. upon motion by Deborah Johnson, second by Nicole Cox. Motion carried 6-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, February 8, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson, and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by Cindy Flagg, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

PURDUE EXTENSION

Purdue Extension Health and Human Sciences Karen Richey and Ag & Natural Resources Brieanna Slonaker presented the Extension Express newsletter. They highlighted the Jail Chemical Addiction Program (JCAP) and Soil Health Program.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Matt Hassel presented the County Sheriff's Reports of Receipts and Distribution of the Commissary Fund for the period of July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for acceptance.

Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to accept the County Sheriff's Reports of Receipts and Distribution of the Commissary Fund for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. Motion carried 7-0.

Sheriff Hassel presented the 2024 Commissary Budget in the total sum of \$285,000. **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the 2024 Commissary Budget in the sum of \$285,000. Motion carried 7-0.**

Sheriff Hassel requested support for an additional appropriation into the General Fund/Sheriff for Radios & Accessories in the sum of \$11,000. The request has been submitted for consideration at the March meeting. **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to show support for the \$11,000 additional appropriation into Radios & Accessories. Motion carried 7-0.**

CULVER UNION TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

Culver Union Township Public Library Board President Karen Boland respectfully requested the reappointment of Jennah Fairchild. She explained that the Council appointed Jennah Fairchild at the November 9, 2023 meeting. Member Fairchild took the oath of office in a timely fashion and was seated on the board. However, with all the changes on the CUTPL Board, the Board missed the filing deadline in the Clerk's Office. **Jim Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to reappoint Jennah Fairchild to the Culver Township Public Library. Motion carried 7-0.**

COUNCIL ITEMS

Job Classification/Compensation Subcommittee Report: Member Cox stated the subcommittee met and recommends the approval of a part-time custodian for Buildings & Grounds.

Ord. 2024-11(1) Amending Job Description Ord. 2023-28B: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deb Johnson, to approve Ord. 2024-11(1) Amending Job Description Ord. 2023-28B adding the Buildings & Grounds Custodian PT job description. Motion carried 7-0.

Ord. 2024-10(1) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25: Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve Ord. 2024-10(1) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25, which corrected the Clerk-Voter Registration rate to \$71.15 bi-weekly retroactive to January 1, 2024 and the addition of Buildings & Grounds Custodian, PT, LTC1 Category, Non-exempt at \$19.57 per hour. Motion carried 7-0.

Ord. 2024-4(2) Establish New Fund 8114: Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve Ord. 2024-4(2) to Establish New Fund 8114, HAVA 2023 Election Security. Motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(2): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriations was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on January 25, 2024.

Section Corner Perpetuation: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$25,000 into Other Services & Charges. Motion carried 7-0.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$500,000 into KISx; \$952,000 into Stop Loss Premium; \$52,164 into UR/PPO Fees; \$62,100 into Administrative Fees; \$62,100 into Broker Fees; \$30,000 into Sharx Fees; \$750 into Annual Administrative Fee; \$500,000 into Auxiant Weekly; and \$1,140,000 into Auxiant-TrueRx Weekly. Motion carried 7-0.

Historical Society: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$5,138 into Wages-Clerical. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge Inspection/Inventory: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$100,250 into Bridge Inspection/Inventory FY22-25. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 87-11th Road: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$71,335.66 into Construction. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 120 – Upas Road: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$107,537.41 into Construction. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 231 – Center Street: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$305,309.74 into Preliminary Engineering. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 232 – Randolph Street: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$49,740.78 into Construction. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 88 – 12th Road: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$349,908.80 into Preliminary Engineering. Motion carried 7-0.

HAVA 2023 Election Security: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$21,777 into HAVA Election Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.

IOCS Problem-Solving Court: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,000 into Incentives; \$1,080 into Drug Testing Supplies; \$150 into Graduation Supplies; \$500 into Participant Needs; and \$1,100 into Participant Advancement Coins. Motion carried 7-0.

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$25,000 into IDEM Grant Match Funds. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(2):

General/Buildings & Grounds: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$4,999 from Equipment Maintenance Contracts into Wages-Custodian PT. Motion carried 7-0.

Cum Bridge: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$56,255.21 from Equipment Maintenance Contracts with \$9,267.13 into B#87 11th Road, \$16,507.48 into B#120 Upas Road, \$15,430 into B#1004 Elm Road, and \$15,050.60 into Bridge Insp/Inventory FY22-25. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH /MVH Restricted: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$10,000 from MVH Wages-Overtime into MVH Restricted Wages-Overtime; \$310,000 from MVH Wages-Area Leaders to MVH Restricted Wages-Area Leaders; \$60,000 from MVH Wages-Road Foreman into MVH Restricted Wages-Road Foreman; \$200,000 from MVH Wages-Heavy Equipment Operator into MVH Restricted Wages-Heavy Equipment Operator; \$65,000 from MVH Employer PERF into MVH Restricted Employer PERF; \$10,000 from MVH Other Operating Supplies into MVH Restricted Other Operating Supplies; \$150,000 from MVH Stone, Gravel, Aggregates into MVH Restricted Stone, Gravel, Aggregates; \$550,000 from MVH Bituminous into MVH Restricted Bituminous; \$20,000 from MVH Paint to MVH Restricted Paint; \$15,000 from MVH Road Signs into MVH Restricted Road Signs; \$40,000 from MVH Employer Social Security into MVH Restricted Employer Social Security; \$35,000 from MVH Group Health Insurance into MVH Restricted Group Health Insurance; and \$200,000 from MVH Vehicle Maintenance into MVH Restricted Vehicle Maintenance. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-12 CY2023:

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$693.43 from Longevity/Overtime with \$119 into Education Coordinator, \$0.80 into Hazardous Material Specialist, \$0.60 into Director, \$355.01 into Payroll Liabilities, and \$218.02 into Retirement; \$2,608.50 from Personnel Liabilities into Universal Waste; \$1,369.35 from Misc. Equipment into Site & Facility; \$1,832.9 from Print & Public Info with \$1784.30 into Commodity Recycling and \$48.09 into Fuel/Travel; and \$2,610.34 from Tires into Electronics/Appliances. Motion carried 7-0.

Minutes of January 11, 2024: Jim Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the minutes of January 11, 2024. Motion carried 6-0-1, with Adam Faulstich abstaining.

Park & Recreation Board Appointment: Jim Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to reappoint Adam Thada to the Park & Recreation Board for the term ending Deember 31, 2027. Motion carried 7-0.

Purdue Extension Services Refund: Discussion was held concerning the \$10,000 refund Purdue Extension presented to the Board of Commissioners. Jesse Bohannon moved, second by Tim Harman, to advertise an additional appropriation to support 4-H. Motion carried 7-0.

Solar: Vice President Harman explained that a public hearing on the solar ordinance was held by the Commissioners and if no action is taken, the proposed ordinance will become law.

Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to urge the Commissioners to act on the solar ordinance by placing a two-year moratorium. Tim Harman withdrew the motion.

Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to urge the Commissioners to act on the solar ordinance by placing a two-year moratorium on solar and battery. Discussion was held concerning zoning setbacks and surrounding county ordinances. **Motion carried 7-0.**

PUBLIC INPUT

Child Evangelism Fellowship Local Director Crystal King presented a brochure to Board members and requested placement on the agenda next month to bring awareness to their program.

Steve Barry, 12239 Manor Drive, Plymouth, stated that the Farm Bureau, representing 2,500 members, is strongly in favor of the two-year moratorium on solar.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. upon motion by Nicole Cox, second by Jim Masterson. Motion carried 6-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, March 14, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson, and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by Steve Cox, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

MUSEUM

Museum Executive Director Sandy Garrison and Marshall County Historical Society Board President Mike Miley presented the quarterly report. They presented the Board with a copy of the Crossroads newsletter, various flyers, and the Brown Bag schedule. Director Garrison stated they have hosted 913 visitors with 2,262 volunteer hours logged year to date.

CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP

Child Evangelism Fellowship Local Director for North Central Indiana Crystal King thanked the Board for allowing her to speak about the programs available to children, including the Good News Club, 5-Day Club, and Christian Youth in Action training program.

PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Director Ty Adley presented the 2023 Annual Report for the Marshall County Plan Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. He highlighted the increase in permit numbers and valuation of permits. There was a total of 43 cases heard by the BZA. Discussion was held concerning solar, the battery storage moratorium, and the BZA membership.

COMMISSIONERS

Marshall County Board of Commissioners President Stan Klotz explained Attorney Clevenger is working on the decommissioning and road usage agreements and expressed an interest in having a Joint Work Session. He suggested the Council consider allowing Council Attorney Lebbin to participate in the discussion. President Klotz explained the Unsafe Building attorney will also be providing input. **Tim Harman moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to allow Marel Lebbin to participate and serve as a consultant in discussions of decommissioning and road usage agreements. Motion carried 7-0.**

COUNCIL ITEMS

Ord. 2024-4(3) Establish New Fund 8115: Nicole Cox moved, second by Jim Masterson, to approve Ord. 2024-4(3) to Establish New Fund 8115, COVID19 Detection & Mitigation-Jail. Motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(3): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriations was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on February 29, 2024.

General/Sheriff: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,439.50 into Deputy Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/Sheriff: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$13,037.50 into Deputy Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/Sheriff: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,504.16 into Deputy Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/Sheriff: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$11,000 into Radios & Accessories. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/Superior Court 3: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$20,000 into Grand & Petit Jurors. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/Probation: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$6,000 into Urinalysis Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.**

LIT Special Purpose: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$147,145 into Machinery & Equipment. Motion carried 7-0.**

Bridge 11 – N. Union Road: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$126,700 into Preliminary Engineering. Motion carried 7-0.**

CDBG-Owner Occupied Rehab Project: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,712 into Home #2. Motion carried 7-0.**

COVID19 Detection & Mitigation: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$86,256.50 into Jail Equipment. Motion carried 7-0.**

Domestic Cannabis Eradication & Suppression: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$1,500 into Training. Motion carried 7-0.**

ARPA Lead Level Reduction: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$4,558.97 into Case Management Services. Motion carried 7-0.**

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(3):

MVH: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$85,000 from Sodium Chloride into Highway Equipment. Motion carried 7-0.**

MVH /MVH Restricted: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$50,000 from Stone, Gravel, Aggregates into MVH Restricted Stone, Gravel, Aggregates. Motion carried 7-0.**

Medical Benefits Self Insurance: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$60,000 from Auxiant Weekly into Health Clinic. Motion carried 7-0.**

WIC: **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$100 from Office Supplies into Office Equipment. Motion carried 7-0.**

Ord. 2024-10(2) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25: **Jim Masterson** moved, second by **Nicole Cox**, to approve **Ord. 2024-10(2) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25, Section: Marshall County Probation Department, Fund 1000-273, increasing Assistant Chief Probation Officer (AC) to \$41.52 per hour retroactive to February 27, 2024; Section: Marshall County Community Corrections Fund 9123/9124 Community Corrections Grant and Fund 1122-009 Community Corrections Project Income, addition of Clerical, PT, COMOT1 Category, Non-exempt at \$11.33 to \$18.54 per hour. Motion carried 7-0.**

Minutes of February 8, 2024: **Jim Masterson** moved, second by **Will Patterson**, to approve the minutes of February 8, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC INPUT

Sheila Gardner, 10660 Nutmeg Road, Plymouth, requested careful consideration be given when ONE Marshall County is presented.

Steve Cox, 4291 Michigan Road, Plymouth, expressed concerns about 1B Road and Maple Road.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m. upon motion by Will Patterson, second by Deb Johnson. Motion carried 7-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2024

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PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Matt Hassel explained donations were received in 2011 for a new K-9. The fund that was previously established holds a balance of \$3,628 and in review of county records an ordinance was never established to state the purpose of those funds. Ordinance 2024-14: An Ordinance Establishing the Purpose of a Donation Fund for the Mashall County K-9 Program was presented for approval.

Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve Ordinance 2024-14: An Ordinance Establishing the Purpose of a Donation Fund for the Marshall County K-9 Program. Motion carried 7-0.

EMA

EMA Director Jack Garner presented the Quarterly Report (January 1 – April 11, 2024) highlighting Incidents/Responses to include inclement weather, bomb threat, and the solar eclipse; Grant Updates; Training/Exercise Updates; and Community Outreach.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, **Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(4): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on March 28, 2024.

Local Health Maintenance: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$60,000 into Environmental Health Supplies and \$15,140.23 into Other Capital Outlays/Building. Motion carried 7-0.

Local Health Dept. Trust Account: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$94,000 into Vehicle Purchase and \$59,992.36 into Other Capital Outlays/Building. Motion carried 7-0.

Local Road & Street Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$200,000 into Stone, Gravel, Aggregates Motion carried 7-0.

Auditors Ineligible Deduction: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$30,000 into Contractual Services. Motion carried 7-0.
Opioid Unrestricted Funds: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$25,317.70 into CASA Program. Motion carried 7-0.
DARE: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$1,000 into Awards. Motion carried 7-0.
American Rescue Plan: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$20,000 into Aid to Non-Profit Organization and \$986.66 into Coroner Stair Chair. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(3):

General/Commissioner: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$6,000 from Boys & Girls Club into Culver Youth Club. Motion carried 7-0.

Clerk's Records Perpetuation: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$10,534 from Microfilming into Microfilm Equipment. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 11 – N Union Road: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$126,700 from Preliminary Engineering into Construction. Motion carried 7-0.

Minutes of March 14, 2024: Tim Harman moved, second by Jim Masterson, to approve the minutes of March 14, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.

JOHN GROLICH

Coroner and Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association District 5 Chairman John Grolich stated that House Bill 1454 has been ratified and provides for the creation of a Public Safety Local Income Tax to support fire departments and emergency management services. He is requesting consideration of a .05 percent income tax and informed the Board that the Commissioners voted 2-1 to recommend the Council consider a .05 percent income tax increase to help fire and emergency medical services. Discussion was held concerning the needs of fire departments, equitable distribution of the tax, decrease in volunteer firefighter membership, and retention of firefighters. Discussion was held concerning the formation of an exploratory committee.

Lebbin Law Office Claim: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Lebbin Law Office invoices. Motion carried 7-0.

Cender Dalton Claim: Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve Cender Dalton Invoice 10758. Motion carried 7-0.

BZA Alternate Appointment: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to appoint Joe Allyn as the BZA alternate appointment. Motion carried 7-0.

ONE Marshall County: Discussion was held concerning an appointment to the ONE Marshall County Steering Committee.

4-H Donation: The Commissioners will be presented with a request from the 4-H Council on April 15th requesting the \$10,000 that was returned by Purdue be given back to the 4-H Council for an audio/visual system. Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to support an additional appropriation of \$10,000 for a 4-H Council Donation. Motion carried 7-0.

Job Classification & Compensation Committee: Tim Harman requested he be removed from the Job Classification & Compensation Committee. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to accept Tim Harman's resignation and appoint Jim Masterson to the Job Classification & Compensation Committee. Motion carried 7-0.**

PUBLIC INPUT

CASA Director Chastity Keller thanked the board for their vote of financial support.

Union Township Trustee Marlene Mahler thanked John Grolich for his comments previously in the meeting and expressed concerns about the Union Township volunteer fire department and emergency management system.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m. upon motion by Deborah Johnson, second by Adam Faulstich. Motion carried 7-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, May 9, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson, and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by Sheila Gardner, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING

Marshall County Council on Aging Executive Direct Janis Holiday requested permission to apply for the 2025 Section 5311 Operating / 5339 Capital grants. The operating budget for 2025 is \$609,907, with an estimated revenue of \$55,000, a federal share of \$277,453, state share of \$57,707, and local match of \$277,454. The capital project is to purchase a replacement low-floor minivan, and a replacement medium transit bus, with 80% federal share and 20% match, for a total cost of \$213,981. All required matching funds will be secured by Marshall County Council on Aging. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Will Patterson, to allow Marshall County Council on Aging to apply for the 2025 Section 5311 Operating / 5339 Capital Rural Public Transit grant. Motion carried 7-0.**

ARP SUBCOMMITTEE

Board of Commissioners President Stan Klotz stated the American Rescue Plan (ARP) subcommittee met and is recommending \$20,000 be appropriated for Drug Task Force equipment needs. Detective Sgt. Jonathan Bryant explained the equipment is aging. **Jim Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the submission of an additional appropriation request of \$20,000 in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) fund for DTF Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.**

Deborah Johnson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to show support of the additional appropriation to be advertised and presented at the June meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, Will Patterson requested the Plan Commission submission of \$1,500 into Printing & Advertising and \$6,000 into Legal Services be removed for individual consideration; and, Nicole Cox requested the BZA submission of \$1,350 for Printing & Advertising be removed for individual consideration. **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the remainder of the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(5): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on April 25, 2024.

General/Commissioners: **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$10,000 into 4-H Council Premiums. Motion carried 7-0.**
Local Road & Street **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$21,500 into 7th Road Mitigation. Motion carried 7-0.**
MVH: **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$40,000 into Stone, Gravel, Aggregates. Motion carried 7-0.**
Statewide 911: **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$15,338.76 into Equipment Maintenance Contract and \$43,045.36 into Equipment Maintenance & Repair. Motion carried 7-0.**

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(5):

General/Weights & Measures: **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$200 from Field Instruments into Travel/Mileage. Motion carried 7-0.**
MVH/MVH Restricted: **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$40,000 from MVH Stone, Gravel, Aggregates into MVH Restricted Stone, Gravel, Aggregates. Motion carried 7-0.**
Medical Benefits Self Insurance: **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$50,000 from KISx into HSA Reimbursement. Motion carried 7-0.**

Additional Appropriation for individual consideration:

General/BZA: \$1,350 into Printing & Advertising.

General/Plan Commission: \$1,500 into Printing & Advertising.

General/Plan Commission: \$6,000 into Legal Services.

Following discussion, **Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to table the additional appropriation requests for the BZA and Plan Commission. Motion carried 7-0.**

Ord. 2024-10(3) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25: **Jim Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Ord. 2024-10(3) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25 as presented for the following Sections: Marshall County Probation Department, Highway Department, and Community Corrections. Motion carried 7-0.**

Minutes of April 11, 2024: **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the minutes of April 11, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.**

Claims: **Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the Lebbin Law invoice. Motion carried 7-0.**

Abatement Requests:

CF-1/PP Faulkner Fabricating, Inc. Res. No. 2015-14

CF-1/PP Faulkner Fabricating, Inc. Res. No. 2016-16

CF-1/RP Center Street Properties, LLC (Faulkner) Res. No. 2015-04

CF-1/RP Center Street Properties, LLC (Faulkner) Res. No. 2016-16

CF-1/RP Houin Family Farm LLC Res. No 2016-13

CF-1/PP Homestead Dairy Res. No. 2016-13

Council Members Patterson and Faulstich stated all entities are in compliance. **Jim Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve all six abatement requests as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

ONE Marshall County: **Jesse Bohannon moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to appoint Nicholas Witwer to ONE Marshall County.**

PUBLIC INPUT

No public input was heard.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m. upon motion by Nicole Cox, second by Deborah Johnson. Motion carried 7-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, June 13, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson, and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; Financial Advisor Steve Dalton and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by Rob Keck, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Board of Commissioners President Stan Klotz, Marshall County Sheriff Department Security Officer Duane Culp, and HyperWave President Dan Sammurtano explained the cameras in the Courthouse and County Building need to be updated. The cost is estimated at \$55,000. **Tim Harman moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve financial support for the camera upgrade in the sum of \$55,000 and request the additional appropriation be advertised for the next meeting. Motion carried 7-0.**

President Klotz explained that pursuant to Indiana Code the Commissioners are recommending a four percent wage increase for calendar year 2025 with the understanding that the recommendation is not binding, and the final decision rests with the Council.

President Klotz stated that the Health Board members have signed a letter of support to purchase the Bowen Center building and is looking for funding guidance from the Council. **Tim Harman moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to appoint Tim Harman to collaborate with Stan Klotz on the purchase of a building and to bring the proposal to the Budget & Finance Subcommittee. Motion carried 7-0.**

MUSEUM

Museum Executive Director Sandy Garrison and Marshall County Historical Society Board President Mike Miley presented the quarterly report. They highlighted the newsletter, board meeting, flyers, and the several events recently hosted. They are looking forward to The Lincoln Highway Association visit June 25th through June 27th.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department Administrator Sandy Dunfee presented a request to apply for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) federal grant. She explained it is a five year grant divided into five budget periods between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2029. The grant amount per budget period is \$25,000. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Will Patterson, to allow the Health Department to apply for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness federal grant, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Director Ty Adley explained that he has submitted an additional appropriation request for BZA Printing & Advertising in the amount of \$1,350; Plan Commission Printing & Advertising in the amount of \$1,500; and Plan Commission Legal Services in the amount of \$6,000. Discussion was held concerning the future of solar and battery storage in Marshall County. **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to remove the BZA and Plan Commission additional appropriation requests for Printing & Advertising and Legal Services from the consent agenda and to deny all three requests as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

Discussion was held on how to move forward. Financial Advisor Steve Dalton recommended the Council transfer funds from the Council budget account line Special Projects into new account lines designated for Plan Commission and BZA. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to transfer funds from the Council budget Special Projects account line into Printing & Advertising and Legal Services for the Plan Commission and BZA. Motion carried 7-0.**

Financial Advisor Steve Dalton explained that it might be appropriate to state how the Council would get approval to incur expenses. If an expense is incurred, then the County would be legally liable to pay the claim. There would need to be a process where the Plan Commission and BZA need approval for an expense before they incur it. **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to empower the Council President authorization to approve and/or deny services prior to being incurred by the Plan Commission or BZA for printing & advertising and/or legal services for the remainder of this calendar year or until a moratorium is declared by the Commissioners. Motion carried 7-0.**

COUNCIL ITEMS

Ord. 2024-4(4) Establish New Fund 8117: EECBG Electric Vehicles: **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve Ord. 2024-4(4) Establish New Fund 8117 EECBG Electric Vehicles. Motion carried 7-0.**

Ord. 2024-4(5) Establish New Fund 8116: COVID19 Bridge Program: **Jim Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Ord. 2024-4(5) Establish New Fund 8116 COVID19 Bridge Program. Motion carried 7-0.**

Ord. 2024-10(4) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25: **Will Patterson moved, second by Jim Masterson, to approve Ord. 2024-10(4) Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25, Section: Marshall County Probation Department, Fund 9013-005, increasing Probation Officer Pre-Trial (EO) to \$30.21 per hour effective July 1, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.**

Claims: **Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the Lebbin Law and Cender Dalton invoices. Motion carried 7-0.**

Minutes of May 9, 2024: **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the minutes of May 9, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.**

Argos Public Library Appointment: Ronald Rensberger has decided to end his appointment on the Argos Public Library Board with his term ending June 30, 2024. **Jim Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to appoint Amber Horsman to the Argos Public Library Board for the term beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2028. Motion carried 7-0.**

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations, reduction of appropriations, and transfer of appropriations, **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the remaining additional appropriations, reduction of appropriations, and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented.**
Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(6): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on May 30, 2024.

General/Sheriff (1000-005): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$15,067 into Vehicle Accessories. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/BZA (1000-078): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to deny the additional appropriation request of \$1,350 into Printing & Advertising. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/Plan Commission (1000-079): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to deny the additional appropriation request of \$1,500 into Printing & Advertising. Motion carried 7-0.**

General/Plan Commission (1000-079): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to deny the additional appropriation request of \$6,000 into Legal Services. Motion carried 7-0.**

Community Corrections Project Income/Drug & Alcohol Program (1122-010): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,600 into Wages-Longevity; \$37,309.09 into Wages-Program Director; \$34,598.58 into Wages-Case Manager/Drug & Alcohol; \$9,145.11 into Social Security; \$21,662.44 into Group Health Insurance; \$128.50 into Group Life Insurance; \$6,562.39 into Employer PERF; \$7,497 into MCDAP Training Materials; and \$2,000 into Professional Services. Motion carried 7-0.**

Opioid Unrestricted (1238): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$7,147.96 into DTF Confidential Funds.**

Motion carried 7-0.

DARE (4906): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,500 into Registration/Conference Fees. Motion carried 7-0.**

Clerk IV-D (8899): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$238.32 into Office Equipment and \$3,000 into Professional Services. Motion carried 7-0.**

American Rescue Plan (8950): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$20,000 into DTF Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.**

REDUCTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(7): Notice of Proposed Reduction of Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on May 30, 2024.

Drug & Alcohol Program (2523): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the reduction of appropriation request of \$2,600 from Wages-Longevity; \$37,309.09 from Wages-Program Director; \$34,598.58 from Wages-Case Manager/Drug & Alcohol; \$9,145.11 from Social Security; \$21,662.44 from Group Health Insurance; \$128.50 from Group Life Insurance; \$6,562.39 from Employer PERF; \$7,497 from MCDAP Training Materials; and \$2,000 from Professional Services. Motion carried 7-0.**

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(6):

Medical Benefits Self Insurance (4702): **Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$400,000 from True Rx Weekly into Auxiant Weekly and \$200,000 from Kisx into Auxiant Weekly. Motion carried 7-0.**

PUBLIC INPUT

Union Township Trustee Marlene Mahler requested an update to her request made in April for help with Emergency Management Services.

Purdue Extension Youth Development Educator Jayne Deaton introduced herself and stated she is looking forward to working with the Board.

Skyler Ellinger, 13463 Fir Road, Bourbon, expressed concern about the condition of the county roads.

Bryan Casper, 13805 Jarrah Road, Argos, expressed appreciation for the Council actions.

Julie Spitznagle, 5119 Sage Road, Plymouth, thanked Council for their decision concerning solar. She also expressed concern about a possible department head having a conflict of interest.

Vice President Harman expressed interest in establishing a committee to study a public safety income tax for first responders and fire departments.

Personnel Subcommittee: Member Cox stated that a personnel subcommittee meeting has been scheduled for June 21st to discuss the recommendations received from Waggoner, Irwin & Scheele.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. upon motion by Jim Masterson, second by Nicole Cox. Motion carried 7-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

**MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024**

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, July 11, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson, and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by James Masterson, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

PURDUE EXTENSION

Purdue Extension Ag & Natural Resources Educator Brieanna Slonaker and 4-H Youth Development Educator Jayne Deaton presented the Extension Express Newsletter highlighting activities, trainings, and meetings held in the last quarter. Educator Deaton expressed appreciation for the leaders and volunteers.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent Jason Peters presented a request for additional funding in the amount of \$2,462,253 to complete various projects. **Tim Harman moved, second by Jesse Bohannon, to support the submission of an additional appropriation of \$600,000 from the General Fund and \$600,000 from the Rainy Day Fund. Motion carried 7-0.**

COUNCIL ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, **James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(8): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on June 27, 2024.

General/Drainage Board (1000-063): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,000 into Legal Services. Motion carried 7-0.

LIT Special Purpose: James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$54,909.58 into Security Systems. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH (1176): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$108,000 into Vehicle Maintenance Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(7):

General/Commissioners (1000-068): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$105 from Travel/Mileage into Training. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Buildings & Grounds (1000-172): **James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$4,999 from Equipment Maintenance Contract into Wages-Custodian PT. Motion carried 7-0.**

Bridge 232-Randolph Street (8111): **James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$49,740.78 from Construction into Preliminary Engineering. Motion carried 7-0.**

Minutes of June 13, 2024: **Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the minutes of June 13, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.**

Job Classification & Compensation Subcommittee Report: Council Member Cox explained the subcommittee reviewed 14 position descriptions from six departments. There are two new job descriptions, nine position description changes did not result in a classification change, and five position description changes resulted in an increased classification. The committee is recommending adoption of two new position descriptions, Office Manager/Drain Management Administrator and Clerical/Administrative Assistant, submitted by the Surveyor and approve the salary adjustment effective July 22, 2024.

Ord. 2024-11(2): An Addendum to Ordinance 2023-28B Adopting County of Marshall, Indiana Job Descriptions: **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve Ord. 2024-11(2): An Addendum to Ordinance 2023-28B Adopting County of Marshall, Indiana Job Descriptions as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

Ord. 2024-10(5): Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25: **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve Ord. 2024-10(5): Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25, Section: Marshall County Surveyor, Fund 1000-006, removing one Office Manager/Administrative Assistant; adding one Office Manager/Drain Management Administrator, Full-time, COMOT4, Non-Exempt, \$24.85 per hour; and adding one Clerical/Administrative Assistant, Full-time, COMOT3, Non-Exempt, \$23.48 per hour effective July 22, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.**

Budget & Finance Subcommittee Report: Council Member Harman stated the 2025 Council budget remained unchanged from 2024 except for salaries. The subcommittee is reviewing available funding for the purchase of a building for the Health Department. The Commissioners have requested a second appraisal on the building.

Public Safety Subcommittee: President Bohannon stated the Council would like to create a nine member subcommittee to study a public safety income tax for first responders and fire departments.

Jesse Bohannon moved, second by Nicole Cox, to appoint Stan Klotz, Tim Harman, Nicole Cox, John Grolich, Jerry Lamb, Matt Nair, Lisa Mullaney, Ed Barcus, and Jesse Bohannon with Jack Garner serving as the Secretary. Motion carried 7-0.

Claims: **Jim Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve a Cender Dalton invoice in the amount of \$1,312.77 and two Lebbin Law invoices in the amount of \$690 and \$1,630. Motion carried 7-0.**

PUBLIC INPUT

Council Member Patterson read into the record a letter from Bob Byers regarding the implementation of a local income tax for public safety.

Board of Commissioners President Stan Klotz, in response to a public comment made at the prior meeting, read a list of roads that have been completed in the last few years.

COUNCIL ITEMS - CONTINUED

Council Member Deborah Johnson explained the Plan Commission is creating a Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) Subcommittee and is requesting one Council appointment. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to appoint Deborah Johnson to the Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) subcommittee as the Council appointment. Motion carried 7-0.**

Council President Bohannon stated that following the last Council meeting and the instruction provided to the Plan Commission concerning legal services and printing & advertising claims, a request was made and denied allowing attorney Derek Jones to attend the June 27th Plan Commission meeting regarding battery energy storage systems. An invoice has been submitted by Attorney Jones for services provided to attend the June 27th Plan Commission meeting in the amount of \$540. Discussion was held on how to proceed. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Jim Masterson, to table the approval of Jones Huff & Jones invoice for Plan Commission legal services. Motion carried 7-0.**

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m. upon motion by Jim Masterson, second by Deborah Johnson. Motion carried 7-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, August 8, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 9:00 a.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. Member Will Patterson was absent. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by Jordan Muck, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

CASA

CASA Director Chastity Keller stated that they have applied to the State for the GAL/CASA Matching Grant and Capacity Grant. The Matching Grant will be in the amount of \$13,865 provided by the State and requiring a \$11,786 county match, which has been included in the Circuit Court 2025 budget. The Capacity Grant is in the amount of \$5,943 and may only be used for capacity building items such as advertisement, volunteer building, retention, and training. Director Keller requested support of the County match. **Deborah Johnson moved, second by Tim Harman, to support the GAL/CASA Matching Grant. Motion carried 6-0.**

SHERIFF

Sheriff Matt Hassel presented the County Sheriff's Reports of Receipts and Distribution of the Commissary Fund for the period of January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024. The ending balance is \$92,005.77. **James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to accept the County Sheriff's Reports of Receipts and Distribution of the Commissary Fund for the period of January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.**

PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Board President David Hostetler questioned how to move forward with the remainder of the 2024 budget. He explained that when a request is brought forward Director Adley conveys that information to him, and it is then conveyed to President Bohannon. Director Adley must act timely, and the Council needs to respond timely. President Hostetler stated that Director Adley needs the resources to be able to do his job. Discussion was held concerning the advice provided at the Board of Commissioners meeting on Monday. President Hostetler excused himself from the meeting. Council members discussed the need for a cease and desist order without monetary damages. Council Member Masterson suggested the Plan Commission attorney, the Commissioners attorney, and the Council attorney meet to discuss a resolution. **Jesse Bohannon moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to allow Jim Masterson to mediate between the attorneys. Motion carried 6-0.**

Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to support approval of the Jones Huff & Jones invoice for Plan Commission legal services tabled at the prior meeting and to instruct the President to proceed with processing the invoice. Motion carried 6-0.

MARSHALL COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Marshall County Economic Development Corporation President/CEO Greg Hildebrand stated the most recent Comprehensive Plan was prepared 20 years ago and needs to be updated. The Plan Commission has included the cost for MACOG to update the plan in the 2025 budget request. It will be a year long process and will include public input. He requested the Council support the Plan Commission budget request.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, **Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(9): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on July 25, 2024.

General/Surveyor (1000-006): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$16,436 into Wages-Clerical/Administrative Assistant. Motion carried 6-0.

General/Commissioners (1000-068): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$50,000 into Stone, Gravel, Aggregates. Motion carried 6-0.

General/Commissioners (1000-068): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$550,000 into Bituminous. Motion carried 6-0.

General/Information Systems (1000-106): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,000 into Wages-Longevity. Motion carried 6-0.

General/Building Commission (1000-312): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$1,000 into Vehicle Maintenance Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

LIT Special Purpose (1114): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$101,363 into Repair Buildings & Structures. Motion carried 6-0.

Local Road & Street (1169): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$21,000 into Dust Control; \$25,000 into Stone, Gravel, Aggregates; and, \$275,000 into Bituminous. Motion carried 6-0.

Rainy Day (1186): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$350,000 into Stone, Gravel, Aggregates and \$250,000 into Bituminous. Motion carried 6-0.

MVH (1176): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$250,000 into Vehicle Maintenance Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

EECBG-Electric Vehicle (8117): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$275 into Supplies/Charging Station; \$8,690 into Contractual/Fleet Charger Install; and, \$145,368 into Vehicle Purchase. Motion carried 6-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(8):

General/Surveyor (1000-006): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the transfer request of \$16,473.70 from Wages-Office Manager/Administrative Assistant into Wages-Office Manager/Drain Management. Motion carried 6-0.

General/Coroner (1000-007): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the transfer request of \$8,000 from Wages-Chief Deputy Coroner into Wages-Deputy Coroner. Motion carried 6-0.

Firearms Training (1156): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the transfer request of \$4,500 from Training into Firearms Related Equipment. Motion carried 6-0.

MVH Restricted/MVH (1173/1176): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the transfer request of \$10,000 from MVH Restricted Social Security into MVH Social Security. Motion carried 6-0.

MVH (1176): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the transfer request of \$1,120 from Other Operating Supplies into Travel/Mileage. Motion carried 6-0.

MVH/MVH Restricted (1176/1173): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the transfer request of \$151,000 from MVH Bituminous into MVH Restricted Bituminous and \$280,756.52 from MVH Subcontractor Services to MVH Restricted Subcontractor Services. Motion carried 6-0.

COVID19 Detection & Mitigation (8115): Adam Faulstich moved, second by James Masterson, to approve the transfer request of \$4,620 from Jail Equipment into Professional Services. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes of July 11, 2024: Nicole Cox moved, second by Tim Harman, to approve the minutes of July 11, 2024. Motion carried 6-0.

Ord. 2024-10(6): Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25: James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Ord. 2024-10(6): Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25, Section: Marshall County Health Department, reducing the School Liaison hours to 280 in Fund 1161 Local Public Health Services and increasing the School Liaison hours to 1540 in Fund 8825 Crisis CoAg Covid19 Workforce effective August 5, 2024. Motion carried 6-0.

Culver Union Township Public Library Appointment: The Council is seeking an interested candidate to fill the unexpired term of Jennah Fairchild on the Culver Union Township Public Library Board.

Council Meeting Schedule- October 10, 2024: Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to move the October 10th meeting from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Claims: Deb Johnson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the submission of a Lebbin Law invoice in the amount of \$1,400 and a Cender Dalton invoice in the amount of \$987.77. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Safety Committee: The Town of Bourbon has requested the addition of Clerk/Treasurer Kim Berger to the Public Safety Committee. A committee meeting was held, and they discussed offering a matching grant for radios with the towns. The need is for approximately \$1.2 million and the County would contribute 50% from the General Fund. A formal recommendation is not being made at this time.

Jesse Bohannon moved, second by James Masterson, to appoint Kim Berger to the Public Safety Committee. Motion carried 6-0.

Plan Commission Point of Contact: Nicole Cox moved, second by James Masterson, to remove Deborah Johnson and appoint Will Patterson as the Plan Commission Point of Contact. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC INPUT

Laura Brockway, 303 First Street, Argos, thanked the board for their leadership in representing We the People.

Plan Commission Board President Dave Hostetler apologized for leaving the meeting earlier. He stated that he was frustrated that the Council Members turned to their attorney for input and the Council is denying him the same opportunity to confer with the Plan Commission's attorney at the Plan Commission Board meetings.

RECESS

A recess was taken from 10:00 a.m. until 10:10 a.m. Attorney Marcel Lebbin was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

2025 BUDGET – FIRST READING

Commissioners: The total budget submitted is \$5,501,071.

Drainage Board: The total budget submitted is \$7,800.

Cumulative Capital Development (CCD): The total budget submitted is \$1,134,490.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance: The total budget submitted is \$3,299,114.

County IV-D Incentive: The total budget submitted is \$4,500.

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General - Sheriff: The total budget submitted is \$3,063,292.

LIT Special Purpose: The total budget submitted is \$6,487,565.

Extradition/Sheriff Assistance: The total budget submitted is \$20,000.

Firearms Training: The total budget submitted is \$30,000.

Misdemeanant-County Corrections: The total budget submitted is \$104,000.

Sex/Violent Offender Administration: The total budget submitted is \$7,700.

Statewide 911: The total budget submitted is \$569,563.

Central Dispatch: The total budget submitted is \$329,389.

K9 Program: The total budget submitted is \$2,000.

DARE: The total budget submitted is \$15,000.

DEA Forfeiture: The total budget submitted is \$28,000.

Lake Enforcement DNR Grant: The total budget submitted is \$65,000.

Drug Free Community: The total budget submitted is \$70,000.

Clerk: The total budget submitted is \$468,600.

Voter Registration: The total budget submitted is \$60,350.

Election Board: The total budget submitted is \$291,500.

Clerks Records Perpetuation: The total budget submitted is \$122,500.

Clerk IV-D: The total budget submitted is \$28,000.

Park & Recreation Board: The total budget submitted is \$28,000.

Treasurer: The total budget submitted is \$211,760.

Recorder: The total budget submitted is \$156,845.
ID Security Program: The total budget submitted is \$8,000.
Surveyor: The total budget submitted is \$237,432.
Surveyor Corner Perpetuation: The total budget submitted is \$53,364.
Coroner: The total budget submitted is \$188,550.
LEPC: The total budget submitted is \$22,988.
Assessor: The total budget submitted is \$196,900.
Sales Disclosure-County Share: The total budget submitted is \$7,800.
Reassessment: The total budget submitted is \$575,350.
Prosecutor: The total budget submitted is \$793,170.
Pre-Trial Diversion: The total budget submitted is \$196,322.
Prosecutor IV-D: The total budget submitted is \$21,570.
DTF: The total budget submitted is \$47,941.
Extension: The total budget submitted is \$290,258.
Veterans Service Officer: The total budget submitted is \$70,473.
Plan Commission: The total budget submitted is \$308,287.
Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA): The total budget submitted is \$7,700.
Building Commission: The total budget submitted is \$89,600.
Unsafe Building: The total budget submitted is \$85,000.
Information Systems: The total budget submitted is \$203,801.
Museum: The total budget submitted is \$163,883.
Historical Society: The total budget submitted is \$84,343.
Superior Court #1: The total budget submitted is \$376,411.
Superior Court # 2: The total budget submitted is \$576,937.
Superior Court # 3: The total budget submitted is \$270,076.
PSC Drug Court: The total budget submitted is \$5,000.
Community Corrections: The total budget submitted is \$362,802.
Community Corrections-Prosecutor Pretrial Diversion: The total budget submitted is \$61,964.
Community Corrections-Problem Solving Court: The total budget submitted is \$65,000.
Community Corrections Project Income: The total budget submitted is \$501,300.
Community Transition Fund: The total budget submitted is \$11,133.
Circuit Court: The total budget submitted is \$319,147.
CASA: The total budget submitted is \$62,350.
Probation: The total budget submitted is \$796,390.
Adult Probation Administrative: The total budget submitted is \$199,535.
Supplemental Adult Probation: The total budget submitted is \$17,500.
Weights & Measures: The total budget submitted is \$28,795.
EMA: The total budget submitted is \$86,230.
Soil & Water: The total budget submitted is \$47,625.
Health: The total budget submitted is \$693,907.
Health First: The total budget submitted is \$1,071,709.
Auditor: The total budget submitted is \$408,532.
Plat Mapping: The total budget submitted is \$40,723.
Auditor Ineligible: The total budget submitted is \$31,000.
County Officials Training Fund: Total budget submitted is \$25,000.
Council: The total budget submitted is \$318,783.

Auditor Birchmeier stated the General Fund budget submitted is \$16,354,260. The special funds budget submitted is \$26,434,523. The total budget submitted is \$42,788,783.

Nicole Cox moved, second by James Masterson, to accept the budgets as submitted. Motion carried 6-0.

A Budget & Finance Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for August 20th at 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:51 a.m. upon motion by Tim Harman, second by Adam Faulstich. Motion carried 6-0.

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

**MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2024**

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, August 29, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 10:30 a.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, and Adam Faulstich; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. Member Will Patterson was absent. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION SUPPORT

Sheriff Matt Hassel and Jail Maintenance Supervisor John Greer explained that the rooftop air handler unit needs to be replaced and the deadline for ordering is September 6th. The unit cost is \$144,800, which has been included in the Sheriff's 2025 budget request. If the unit is ordered after September 6th the cost increases to \$163,429 due to the change in freon. **Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to support the 2025 budget appropriation request to purchase an air handler unit and electrical work in the amount of \$160,000. Motion carried 6-0.**

Sheriff Matt Hassel and I.T. Director Michael Marshall explained that they would like to transition from storing dispatch and jail data from a hosted server to a cloud based program. The initial cost is \$25,000 and the annual maintenance fees will increase by \$45,000. The maintenance fees next year will be \$123,364 and increase to \$168,075 in the calendar year 2026. **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to support funding the movement of jail data to a cloud based system as presented. Motion carried 6-0.**

READI GRANT

Plymouth City Attorney Jeff Houin explained the funding opportunity through READI 2.0 (Regional Economic Acceleration & Development Initiative) and Lilly Endowment, Inc. The known Marshall County READI 2.0 applications are Bremen GROWTH Project, Culver Community Youth Center, Marshall County Habitat for Humanity Housing Project, Heartland Art Center, Plymouth Housing Project and The Exchange (Culver). The application deadline is tomorrow, August 30th.

Bremen Town Attorney Tony Wagner explained the Bremen GROWTH Project: A multi-site development that adds additional housing units and connects the community with recreational facilities and town-wide greenway trail.

Culver Youth Club Director Mary Boland and Culver School Superintendent Karen Shuman explained the Culver Community Youth Center: Construction of a new facility to expand childcare and programming for youth education and activities.

Dean Byers explained the Marshall County Habitat for Humanity Housing Project: A region-wide collaboration between Habitat for Humanity in Marshall, St. Joseph, and Elkhart Counties to expand affordable housing opportunities.

Heartland President Anna Kietzman explained the Heartland Art Center: A project to renovate the historic Montgomery Ward building and transform it into a regional arts hub.

Attorney Houin explained the Plymouth Housing Project: A development across two locations in the city to construct a diverse mix of housing types and address the current housing burden.

Attorney Houin also explained The Exchange (Culver): A renovation project to activate an under-utilized building in the downtown area for mixed-use development and support other residential development currently under construction.

Marshall County Community Foundation and United Way Executive Director Linda Yoder explained the GIFT (Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow) VIII Community Leadership Phase 2 Implementation Grant: To establish a countywide Community Development Corporation (CDC) and a Community Development Loan Fund (CDLF). Director Yoder read the letter of support into the record.

ONE Marshall County President Gary Niedig thanked the board for the opportunity to present the READI 2.0 projects and requested a letter of support. Vice President Harman read the letter of support into the record.

Jim Masterson moved, second by Jesse Bohannon, to offer support of the READI 2.0 grant and GIFT VIII Community Leadership Phase 2 Implementation Grant and to allow the President to sign the letters on behalf of the board. Motion carried 6-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION - CONTINUED

Board of Commissioners President Stan Klotz clarified the request for an additional appropriation submitted for consideration at the September meeting is \$2,000 for travel/mileage and \$1,500 for training. Marshall County is being recognized at a national conference in Washington DC for their innovative approach to providing high-value, low-cost employee health plans. He stated that he will be attending the conference and while in Washington DC will meet with representative Rudy Yakym to discuss mental health grants. The training costs for this trip have already been paid and the additional is for upcoming training sessions. Commissioner Klotz also stated that other department costs have been paid from the Commissioners budget and transfers have been made to accommodate those expenses.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m. upon motion by Tim Harman, second by Nicole Cox. Motion carried 6-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, September 12, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 9:00 a.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. Council Member Nicole Cox arrived following the Dustin's Place presentation. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the invocation was given by Brandon Schadek, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input concerning agenda items was heard.

DUSTIN'S PLACE

Dustin's Place Co-Founder/Executive Director Viki Brown explained that Dustin's Place provides no cost, no wait support for grieving children. She explained that one in 10 Indiana children experience the loss of a parent or sibling. Accidental drug overdose is the leading cause of death in persons aged 25-49. Dustin's Place is one of three facilities in the state that provides grief counseling to children. They serve seven counties with most children from Marshall, St. Joseph, and Starke Counties. They are providing support in 13 schools and are working with State Representatives to bring grief support to the school curriculum. She further explained that they were recently given the opportunity to expand to a larger space and have set a goal to raise \$800,000 for renovations.

MARSHALL COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Marshall County Economic Development Corporation President/CEO Greg Hildebrand and McGuire Sponsel Principal Ben Worrell provided a PowerPoint presentation on Project Roadrunner B&G Truck Conversions, Inc. Mr. Worrell provided a short history of Project Roadrunner. There are currently 18 Indiana employees, and they are looking for future growth to net 60 new jobs, with an estimated average wage of \$25 per hour. The new positions will include welding, metal fabricating, painting, and administration. The capital investment to the expansion project is \$4 million. A request was made to consider a 7-year phase in abatement on both personal property and real estate improvements. The abatement percentage schedule would be 100%, 85%, 71%, 57%, 43%, 29%, 14% on the additional investment. **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to support the abatement request in spirit as presented. Motion carried 7-0.** Discussion was held on the next steps. **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to establish the Economic Revitalization Area in the designated geographical area as requested. Motion carried 7-0.**

COUNCIL ITEMS

Ord. 2024-4(6) Establish New Fund 8118: Public Health Emergency Preparedness: Tim Harman moved, second by James Masterson, to approve Ord. 2024-4(6) Establish New Fund 8118: Public Health Emergency Preparedness. Motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, **James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(10): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on August 29, 2024.

General/Veterans Service Officer (1000-012): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$5,000 into Wages-Overtime. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Commissioners (1000-068): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$2,000 into Travel/Mileage. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Commissioners (1000-068): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$1,500 into Training. Motion carried 7-0.

LIT Special Purpose (1114): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$12,400 into Wages-Longevity. Motion carried 7-0.

Local Road & Street (1169): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$100,000 into Bituminous. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH (1176): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$25,000 into Wages-Overtime. Motion carried 7-0.

CDBG-Owner Occupied Rehab Project (8113): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$24,850 into Home #5-11341 Castle Dr, Plymouth; \$23,175 into Home #7-1009 Lake Ave, Plymouth; \$21,320 into Home #8-1208 Sycamore Street, Plymouth; and, \$22,900 into Home #9-101 W. Randolph St, LaPaz.

Motion carried 7-0.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (8118): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$23,225 into Wages-Emergency Preparedness Coordinator/Environmentalist and \$1,775 into Employer Social Security. Motion carried 7-0.

Community Crossings (9001): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$105,674.05 into Deer Tr (SR 17-Cul-de-sac); \$25,209.39 into Fawn (Pine Ln-Deer Trl); \$81,597 into Pine (SR 17-Deer Trl); \$22,208.38 into Martha (Sunset-Robert); \$39,987.92 into Robert (Martha-Sunset); \$391,083 into 9C (Sycamore-Union); \$38,587.14 into Easy (Union-Cul-de-sac); \$308,166.20 into Elm (US 6 – City Limit); \$39,220.91 into Sheryl (Sunset-Cul-de-sac); \$62,063.97 into Sunset (Sheryl-Martha); \$176,804.08 into Lawrence (Olive-Dead End); \$96,349.50 into Main (Rose-French) \$145,689.10 into Nataka (13-Cul-de-sac); \$22,999.03 into Olive Lane (Olive-Olive); \$22,354.39 into Olive Lane S (Olive-Olive); \$205,660.20 into Rose Road (SR 6- Main); and, \$118,152.05 into Nataka (Nataka-Olive). Motion carried 7-0.

IOCS Problem Solving Court (9015): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$406.33 into Drug Testing Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(9):

General/Circuit Court (1000-232): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$500 from Wages-Clerical into Office Equipment; \$500 from Wages-Reporter Per Diem Venue into Office Equipment; \$250 from Wages-Bailiff Per Diem Venue into Office Equipment; and, \$750 from Court Appointed Doctors into Office Equipment. Motion carried 7-0.

Cum Bridge (1135): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$5,000 from Equipment Rental into Debris Removal Bridges. Motion carried 7-0.

Local Roads & Streets (1169): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$12,000 from Equipment Rental into 7th Road Mitigation. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH/MVH Restricted (1176/1173): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$10,000 from MVH Wages-Overtime into MVH Restricted Wages-Overtime; \$200,000 from MVH Restricted Subcontractor Services into MVH Subcontractor Services; \$200,000 from MVH Subcontractor Services into MVH Bituminous; \$100,000 from MVH Bituminous into MVH Restricted Bituminous; \$10,000 from MVH Wages-Road Foreman into MVH Employer Social Security; and, \$15,000 from MVH Restricted Wages-Road Foreman to MVH Restricted Employer Social Security. Motion carried 7-0.

Rainy Day (1186): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$100,000 from Stone, Gravel, Aggregates into Bituminous. Motion carried 7-0.

Crisis CoAg Covid19 (8825): James Masterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the transfer request of \$4,999.99 from Wages-Overtime into Wages-School Liaison; \$997.47 from Wages-Overtime into Employer PERF; and, \$4,000 from Travel/Mileage into Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.

Ord. 2024-10(7): Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve Ord. 2024-10(7): Amending Salary Ord. 2023-25, Section: Marshall County Probation Department, Fund 1000-273, reducing the Probation Officer hours from Fund 2000 Adult Probation Administrative and increasing the Probation Officer hours in Fund 2100 Supplemental Adult Probation; in Section IOCS Pre-Trial Grant, Fund 9013-005, reflecting Probation Officer as FLSA Status Non-exempt to be effective January 1, 2024; and Section Marshall County Health Department, Fund 1159, adjusting the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator/Environmental number of hours to be paid to 838; Section Local Health Public Services Fund 1161, adjusting the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator/Environmental number of hours to 604; and Section Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Fund 8118, adjusting the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator/Environmental number of hours to 378, to be effective August 19, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.

Minutes of August 8, 2024: Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the minutes of August 8, 2024 by striking the Plan Commission paragraph as presented and replacing it with the Council written submission, which reads as follows: “Plan Commission Board President David Hostetler appeared at the request of the Council to discuss the Council’s willingness to provide additional funding for the Planning department’s urgent needs, despite the department having exhausted its annual budget for legal and advertising. Mr. Hostetler asserted that he works for the County Commissioners, since they appointed him to the Planning Commission. At President Bohanon’s request, Council Attorney Lebbin attempted to present Indiana Code explaining that the planning commission reports to the Commissioners as the executive and legislative body, but also reports to the Council for fiscal oversight.

Mr. Hostetler interrupted Mr. Lebbin stating, "They (the Council) are not my boss." There was a lively exchange between Mr. Hostetler and Mr. Lebbin. President Bohannon gaveled Mr. Hostetler down and insisted upon regular order. Mr. Hostetler then left abruptly. Council members discussed whether to seek a cease and desist order without monetary damages.

Attorney Lebbin informed the Council that it is a felony for an individual to encumber unappropriated funds. Council Member Masterson suggested the Plan Commission attorney, the Commissioners' attorney, and the Council attorney meet to discuss a resolution. **Jesse Bohannon moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to allow James Masterson to mediate between the attorneys. Motion carried 6-0." Motion carried 6-0-1, with Will Patterson abstaining.**

Minutes of August 29, 2024: **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the special meeting minutes of August 29, 2024 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

Claims: **Nicole Cox moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the submission of a Lebbin Law invoice in the amount of \$1,950 and a Cender Dalton invoice in the amount of \$1,139.35. Motion carried 7-0.**

Culver Union Township Public Library Appointment: This item was tabled. The Council is seeking an interested candidate to fill the unexpired term of Jennah Fairchild on the Culver Union Township Public Library Board.

Job Classification & Compensation Subcommittee Report: Human Resources Administrator Jennifer Daake requested the board accept the recommendations made by the subcommittee following review of the submitted job description changes received during the review period of February 1st through April 30th. The Health Department: create a new position of Office Manager/Administrative Assistant, classified as a COMOT3. The Sheriff Department: Administrative Services Assistant, adjusting the job description, with no change in classification and Bookkeeper, adjusting the job description, re-classified as a COMOT4. The Clerk's Office: adjusting the Deputy Clerk job description, re-classified as a COMOT4; adding the First Deputy/Voter Registration & Election Administrator job description, classified as a SO/COMOT3; and, adjusting the First Deputy/Bookkeeper job description, re-classified as a SO/COMOT4. The Treasurer's Office: First Deputy and Second Deputy job descriptions, with no change in either classification. The Auditor's Office: First Deputy, Deputy Auditor/GIS and Property Records, Property Records, Settlement Deputy, Payroll, and General Claims job descriptions, with no change in classifications. She further explained, the changes, if approved, will be effective January 1, 2025. **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the recommendations as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

Administrator Daake presented the Wage Rate by Category Sheet, as recommended by the subcommittee, and requested the board accept the recommendation. **James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to accept the Wage Rate by Category Sheet as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

Public Safety Committee: The committee is continuing discussion about offering a matching grant with local units to help with EMS and fire needs. A process for determining need and monetary award has not been finalized. If agreements are to be made with the local units, it will require Commissioner support. **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson to allow President Bohannon to present the project to the Commissioners. Motion carried 7-0.**

PUBLIC INPUT

No public input was heard.

RECESS

A recess was taken from 9:46 a.m. until 10:01 a.m. Attorney Marcel Lebbin was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

2025 BUDGET HEARING

Will Patterson moved, second by James Masterson, to open the budget hearing. Motion carried 7-0.

Solid Waste: Director Marianne Peters presented the 2025 budget request in the amount of \$542,532, with a maximum levy of \$424,822. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the 2025 Solid Waste budget on first reading. Motion carried 7-0.**

Marshall County Tourism Commission: Board President Brian Teall and Vice President Wyatt Stephan presented the 2025 Annual Budget in the total sum of \$500,000, with revenues estimated to be \$500,621. **Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the 2025 Marshall County Tourism Commission budget as presented. Motion carried 6-0.**

Marshall County Budget

Commissioners: The total budget submitted is \$5,501,071. Professional Services increased \$35,000; Postage reduced \$2,000; and Trash Hauling & Recycling reduced \$2,000.

Drainage Board: The total budget submitted is \$7,800.

Cumulative Capital Development (CCD): The total budget submitted is \$1,134,490.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance: The total budget submitted is \$3,299,114.

County IV-D Incentive: The total budget submitted is \$4,500.

Building Maintenance: The total budget submitted is \$680,565. Repair & Maintenance Supplies reduced \$3,000 and Janitorial Supplies reduced \$3,000.

Human Resources: The total budget submitted is \$105,497. Drug Testing reduced \$200; Safety Committee reduced \$500; Travel/Mileage reduced \$250, and Training reduced \$250.

Highway: The total budget submitted is \$6,299,628. Wages-PT Clerical reduced \$500; Dues & Subscriptions reduced \$200; and Telephone reduced \$500.

Cum Bridge: The total budget submitted is \$2,604,473.

Local Roads and Streets: The total budget submitted is \$962,000.

General - Sheriff: The total budget submitted is \$3,063,292. Wages-Overtime reduced \$5,000 and Legal Services reduced \$500.

LIT Special Purpose: The total budget submitted is \$6,487,565. Wages-Overtime reduced \$5,000; Prisoner Meals reduced \$35,000; Uniforms/Clothing reduced \$2,400; Professional Services reduced \$5,000; Prisoner Care reduced \$20,000; and Office Furniture & Fixture reduced \$5,000.

Extradition/Sheriff Assistance: The total budget submitted is \$20,000.

Firearms Training: The total budget submitted is \$30,000.

Misdemeanant-County Corrections: The total budget submitted is \$104,000.

Sex/Violent Offender Administration: The total budget submitted is \$7,700.

Statewide 911: The total budget submitted is \$569,563.

Central Dispatch: The total budget submitted is \$329,389.

K9 Program: The total budget submitted is \$2,000.

DARE: The total budget submitted is \$15,000.

DEA Forfeiture: The total budget submitted is \$28,000.

Lake Enforcement DNR Grant: The total budget submitted is \$65,000.

Drug Free Community: The total budget submitted is \$70,000.

Clerk: The total budget submitted is \$468,600.
Voter Registration: The total budget submitted is \$60,350.
Election Board: The total budget submitted is \$291,500.
Clerks Records Perpetuation: The total budget submitted is \$122,500.
Clerk IV-D: The total budget submitted is \$28,000.
Park & Recreation Board: The total budget submitted is \$28,000.
Treasurer: The total budget submitted is \$213,760.
Recorder: The total budget submitted is \$156,845.
ID Security Program: The total budget submitted is \$8,000.
Surveyor: The total budget submitted is \$237,432.
Surveyor Corner Perpetuation: The total budget submitted is \$53,364.
Coroner: The total budget submitted is \$188,550. Vehicle Maintenance Supplies reduced \$100 and Repair Furniture & Equipment reduced \$200.
LEPC: The total budget submitted is \$22,988.
Assessor: The total budget submitted is \$196,900.
Sales Disclosure-County Share: The total budget submitted is \$7,800.
Reassessment: The total budget submitted is \$575,350.
Prosecutor: The total budget submitted is \$793,170.
Pre-Trial Diversion: The total budget submitted is \$196,322.
Prosecutor IV-D: The total budget submitted is \$21,570.
DTF: The total budget submitted is \$47,941.
Extension: The total budget submitted is \$290,258. Professional Services reduced \$200; Travel/Mileage reduced \$1,000; and Professional Improvement reduced \$2,000.
Veterans Service Officer: The total budget submitted is \$70,473.
Plan Commission: The total budget submitted is \$308,287. Professional Services reduced \$100,000.
Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA): The total budget submitted is \$7,700.
Building Commission: The total budget submitted is \$89,600. Training reduced \$500 and Office Equipment reduced \$300.
Unsafe Building: The total budget submitted is \$85,000.
Information Systems: The total budget submitted is \$203,801.
Museum: The total budget submitted is \$163,883.
Historical Society: The total budget submitted is \$84,343.
Superior Court #1: The total budget submitted is \$376,411. Wages-Clerical reduced \$1,000.
Superior Court # 2: The total budget submitted is \$576,937. Wages-Law Clerk PT reduced \$4,000; Wages-Bilingual Stipend reduced \$600; Office Supplies reduced \$500; Jury Supplies reduced \$200; Jury Meals reduced \$500; and Travel/Mileage reduced \$1,500.
Superior Court # 3: The total budget submitted is \$270,076.
PSC Drug Court: The total budget submitted is \$5,000.

A recess was taken from 12:00 p.m. to 12:11 p.m.

Community Corrections: The total budget submitted is \$362,802.
Community Corrections-Prosecutor Pretrial Diversion: The total budget submitted is \$61,964.
Community Corrections-Problem Solving Court: The total budget submitted is \$65,000.
Community Corrections Project Income: The total budget submitted is \$501,300.
Community Transition Fund: The total budget submitted is \$11,133.
Circuit Court: The total budget submitted is \$319,147. Wages-Bilingual Stipend increased \$100 and Dues and Subscriptions reduced \$400.
CASA: The total budget submitted is \$62,350.

Probation: The total budget submitted is \$796,390.

Adult Probation Administrative: The total budget submitted is \$199,535.

Supplemental Adult Probation: The total budget submitted is \$17,500.

Weights & Measures: The total budget submitted is \$28,795.

EMA: The total budget submitted is \$86,230. Other Operating Supplies reduced \$2,000 and Training reduced \$500.

Soil & Water: The total budget submitted is \$47,625.

Health: The total budget submitted is \$693,907. Group Life Insurance reduced \$41,735 and Office Rent reduced \$24,000.

Health First: The total budget submitted is \$1,071,709.

Auditor: The total budget submitted is \$408,532.

Plat Mapping: The total budget submitted is \$40,723.

Auditor Ineligible: The total budget submitted is \$31,000.

County Officials Training Fund: Total budget submitted is \$25,000.

Council: The total budget submitted is \$318,783.

Auditor Birchmeier stated the General Fund advertised budget is \$16,356,260 and was reduced by \$96,900.

A Budget & Finance Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for September 30th.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m. upon motion by Tim Harman, second by Adam Faulstich. Motion carried 7-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, October 10, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the Invocation was given by Laura Brockaway, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input was heard.

HEPLER BROOM, LLC

Council member Cox read in the record a letter from Hepler Broom Associate Lauren White Regarding Economic and Decommissioning Agreement. She outlined and addressed two questions: Pursuant to the Ordinance, who must approve the decommissioning plan for SES; and Are Commissioner Overmyer's votes on zoning issues related to the Invenergy project a conflict of interest. Ms. White states that a complaint for declaratory judgment and injunctive relief can be filed on the issues. Noting the claims of conflict are very fact specific and the changes of a positive increase exponentially when it can be shown that a close relationship exists between the board members and the company. In this instance, she would like to see whether Invenergy and the Battery Energy Storage Company have a contract or are working in concert for the Invenergy Solar project. She was not able to obtain this information during her research.

Council members discussed the matter with Attorney Lebbin and Plan Commission Director Ty Adley. **Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to empower the Board President and Attorney Lebbin to investigate and file an injunction on the Decommissioning Agreement and Conflict of Interest. Motion carried 7-0.**

MARSHALL COUNTY MUSEUM

Marshall County Museum Executive Director Sandy Garrison and Marshall County Historical Society Board President Mike Miley presented the quarterly report highlighting the Historic House Tour, festivals, Brown Bag Lunch & Lectures. A short story was shared about the first fair held in Marshall County in the Town of Bourbon.

B&G TRUCK CONVERSIONS

Council member Faulstich stated he met with Marshall County Economic Development Corporation President/CEO Greg Hildebrand and B&G Truck Conversions, Inc. He further explained it is an impressive operation and meets the abatement requirements. He thanked Mr. Hildebrand for bringing the project to Marshall County.

Deb Johnson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to open the public hearing for the B&G Truck Conversions request for tax abatement on personal property and real property. Motion carried 7-0.

Marshall County Economic Development Corporation President/CEO Greg Hildebrand and McGuire Sponsel Principal Reid Pittard explained Phase I and II of the projects. The initial abatement request was a schedule of 100%, 85%, 71%, 57%, 43%, 29%, 14% on additional investment and they are now requesting a schedule of 100%, 95%, 80%, 75%, 55%, 50%, 40%.

Deb Johnson moved, second by Will Patterson, to close the public hearing for the B&G Truck Conversions request for tax abatement on personal property and real property. Motion carried 7-0.

Nicole Cox moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve Resolution 2024-8: Resolution of the Marshall County Council, Confirming the Adoption of a Declaratory Resolution Designating Certain Real Estate to be Within an “Economic Revitalization Area” for Purposes of Real and Personal Property Tax Abatement Pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-12.1 et seq. for B&G Truck Conversions, Inc. with a schedule of 100%, 95%, 80%, 75%, 55%, 50%, 40%. Motion carried 6-1, with Tim Harman voting no.

Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve Resolution 2024-7: Resolution of Marshall County, Indiana Declaring Certain Real Estate to be Within An “Economic Revitalization Area” Pursuant to Indiana Code 6-1.1-12.1 et seq. B&G Truck Conversions Inc. Motion carried 7-0.

PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Director Ty Adley requested \$5,000 - \$10,000 for the Battery Taskforce expert professional services. **Nicole Cox moved, second by Will Patterson, to support an additional appropriation request for \$7,000 in Plan Commission Professional Services line to be heard at the November meeting. Motion carried 7-0.**

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Department Superintendent Jason Peters and Clerk Denise Campbell requested permission to apply for Federal Highway Safety Program Funds to install centerline and edge line pavement markings on county roadways. The estimated project cost is \$500,000 with \$50,000 to be paid by local funds. **Jim Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to allow the Highway Department to apply for the Federal Highway Safety Program Funds as requested with the County match to be paid from Local Road & Street funds. Motion carried 7-0.**

COUNCIL ITEMS

Ord. 2024-4(7) Establish New Fund 8119: Bridge 108 – 7th Road: Nicole Cox moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve Ord. 2024-4(7) Establish New Fund 8119: Bridge 108 - 7th Road. Motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, Nicole Cox requested the board consider the EMA additional appropriation for Communication Upgrade in the amount of \$5,000 separately. EMA Director Jack Garner explained the request is to upgrade the tornado sirens that allows for automatic activation when National Weather Service submits an alert. The estimate is \$3,100 and Director Garner pledged that any amount not spent on the upgrade will remain in the fund balance. Council member Cox would like to see if there are grants available for this purpose. Director Garner stated he has not found a grant

opportunity specific to this upgrade. **Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the EMA additional appropriation of \$5,000 for Communication Upgrade. Motion carried 7-0.**

James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the remaining additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(11): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on September 26, 2024.

LIT Special Purpose (1114): James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$75,000 into Utilities and \$9,000 into Telephone. Motion carried 7-0.

EPICS (4904): James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$65,000 into Professional Services. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 108 – 7th Road (8119): James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$240,000 into Preliminary Engineering. Motion carried 7-0.

Solid Waste: James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$60,000 into Hazardous Materials Specialist; \$25,000 into Warehouse Assistant; \$7,500 into Payroll Liabilities; \$7,500 into Retirement; \$17,000 into Personnel Liabilities; \$1,000 into Software; \$200 into Postage; \$2,500 into Communication; \$2,000 into Transportation; \$5,000 into Audit; \$5,000 into Utilities; \$3,300 into Equipment; \$10,000 into Electronics; and, \$4,000 into Education. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(10):

General/Election Board (1000-062): James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$1,000 from Travel/Mileage into Office Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Commissioners (1000-068): James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$345,000 from Bituminous into Contractual Services. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH/MVH Restricted (1176/1173): James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$18,400 from MVH Bituminous into MVH Restricted Bituminous; and \$65,000 from MVH Wages-Area Leaders to MVH Restricted Wages-Area Leaders. Motion carried 7-0.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance (4702): James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the transfer request of \$220,000 from Kisx into Auxiant Weekly and \$200,000 from Auxiant-TrueRx Weekly into Auxiant Weekly. Motion carried 7-0.

Minutes of September 12, 2024: Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the minutes of September 12, 2024 as presented. Motion carried 6-1, with Nicole Cox abstaining.

Minutes of September 26, 2024: Will Patterson moved, second by Jim Masterson, to approve the special meeting minutes of September 26, 2024 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Culver Union Township Public Library Appointment: Nicole Cox moved, second by Jim Masterson, to approve the appointment of Amanda Potter to the Culver Union Township Public Library to fill the unexpired term of Jennah Fairchild ending December 31, 2025. Motion carried 7-0.

Claims: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deb Johnson, to approve the submission of a Lebbin Law invoice in the amount of \$1,980. Motion carried 7-0.

2025 Meeting Schedule: Jim Masterson moved, second by Deb Johnson, to approve the 2025 Marshall County Council Meeting Schedule. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 2024-20: Solid Waste 2025 Appropriations and Tax Rates: James Masterson moved, second by Tim Harman, to approve Ordinance 2024-20: Solid Waste 2025 Appropriations and Tax Rates as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 2024-22A: Adopting Marshall County Job Classification and Compensation Maintenance Plan Procedures: Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve Ordinance 2024-22A: Adopting Marshall County Job Classification and Compensation Maintenance Plan Procedures as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 2024-22B: Adopting Marshall County Descriptions: Nicole Cox moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve Ordinance 2024-22B: Adopting Marshall County Job Descriptions as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 2024-23 Marshall County 2025 Salary Ordinance: James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Ordinance 2024-23 adopting the Marshall County 2025 Salary Ordinance as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

A recess was taken from 10:42 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

MARSHALL COUNTY 2025 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Commissioners: The total approved budget is \$5,532,070.

Drainage Board: The total budget approved is \$7,800.

Cumulative Capital Development (CCD): The total budget approved is \$1,134,490.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance: The total budget approved is \$3,299,114.

County IV-D Incentive: The total budget approved is \$4,500.

Building Maintenance: The total budget approved is \$674,482.

Human Resources: The total budget approved is \$103,655.

Highway: Sodium Chloride reduced to \$97,760; Stone, Gravel, Aggregates reduced to \$0; Paint reduced to \$40,000; Professional Services reduced to \$67,000; Subcontractor Services reduced to \$100,000; Community Crossings Matching Grant reduced to \$400,000; Repair Buildings & Structures reduced to \$3,000; Highway Equipment reduced to \$0; and Garage Equipment reduced to \$8,000. The total budget approved is \$5,423,576.

Cum Bridge: The total budget approved is \$2,604,473.

Local Roads and Streets: The total budget approved is \$962,000.

General - Sheriff: The total budget approved is \$2,953,622.

LIT Special Purpose: The total budget approved is \$6,410,305.

Extradition/Sheriff Assistance: The total budget approved is \$20,000.

Firearms Training: The total budget approved is \$30,000.

Misdemeanant-County Corrections: The total budget approved is \$104,000.

Sex/Violent Offender Administration: The total budget approved is \$7,700.

Statewide 911: The total budget approved is \$568,648.

Central Dispatch: The total budget approved is \$328,890.

K9 Program: The total budget approved is \$2,000.

DARE: The total budget approved is \$15,000.

DEA Forfeiture: The total budget approved is \$28,000.

Lake Enforcement DNR Grant: The total budget approved is \$65,000.
Drug Free Community: The total budget approved is \$70,000.
Clerk: The total budget approved is \$466,495.
Voter Registration: The total budget approved is \$56,866.
Election Board: Voting Equipment was reduced to \$0. The total budget approved is \$28,300.
Clerks Records Perpetuation: The total budget approved is \$122,500.
Clerk IV-D: The total budget approved is \$28,000.
Park & Recreation Board: The total budget approved is \$28,000.
Treasurer: The total budget approved is \$212,674.
Recorder: The total budget approved is \$155,759.
ID Security Program: The total budget approved is \$8,000.
Surveyor: The total budget approved is \$236,617.
Surveyor Corner Perpetuation: The total budget approved is \$53,364.
Coroner: The total budget approved is \$187,250.
LEPC: The total budget approved is \$22,988.
Assessor: The total budget approved is \$194,178.
Sales Disclosure-County Share: The total budget approved is \$7,800.
Reassessment: The total budget approved is \$569,948.
Prosecutor: The total budget approved is \$753,696.
Pre-Trial Diversion: The total budget approved is \$180,338.
Prosecutor IV-D: The total budget approved is \$21,570.
DTF: The total budget approved is \$47,941.
Extension: The total budget approved is \$287,222.
Veterans Service Officer: The total budget approved is \$70,371.
Plan Commission: The total budget approved is \$206,985.
Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA): The total budget approved is \$7,700.
Building Commission: The total budget approved is \$87,995.
Unsafe Building: The total budget approved is \$85,000.
Information Systems: The total budget approved is \$201,663.
Museum: The total budget approved is \$163,557.
Historical Society: The total budget approved is \$84,343.
Superior Court #1: The total budget approved is \$374,830.
Superior Court # 2: Judge Matthew Aldridge submitted a list of proposed reductions for consideration. Office Supplies reduced to \$3,500; Jury Meals reduced to \$500; Uniforms/Clothing reduced to \$500; Court Appointed Doctors reduced to \$3,000; Equipment Maintenance Contract reduced to \$1,000; Equipment Lease reduced to \$2,000; Travel/Mileage reduced to \$1,500; Dues & Subscriptions reduced to \$1,000; Office Equipment reduced to \$1,000; and Unified Law Library reduced to \$1,000. The total budget approved is \$545,474.
Superior Court # 3: The total budget approved is \$269,477.
PSC Drug Court: The total budget approved is \$5,000.
Community Corrections: The total budget approved is \$362,802.
Community Corrections-Prosecutor Pretrial Diversion: The total budget approved is \$61,964.
Community Corrections-Problem Solving Court: The total budget approved is \$65,000.
Community Corrections Project Income: The total budget approved is \$499,797.
Community Transition Fund: The total budget approved is \$11,133.
Circuit Court: The total budget approved is \$318,266.
CASA: The total budget approved is \$62,350.
Probation: The total budget approved is \$644,292.
Supplemental Adult Probation: The total budget approved is \$217,035.
Weights & Measures: The total budget approved is \$28,705.
EMA: The total budget approved is \$82,925.

Soil & Water: The total budget approved is \$47,520.

Health: Professional Services reduced to \$5,000 and Unsafe Buildings reduced to \$200. The total budget approved is \$630,034.

Health First: The total budget approved is \$811,981.

Auditor: The total budget approved is \$406,538.

Plat Mapping: The total budget approved is \$40,668.

Auditor Ineligible: The total budget approved is \$31,000.

County Officials Training Fund: The total budget approved is \$25,000.

Council: The total budget approved is \$318,524.

The total General Fund approved budget is \$15,653,508; the total Special Fund approved budgets are \$25,133,252, with a total county budget approved of \$40,786,760.

Ordinance 2024-21: Marshall County 2025 Appropriations and Tax Rates: Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Ordinance 2024-21: Marshall County 2025 Appropriations and Tax Rates as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC INPUT

No public input was heard.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 11:39 a.m. upon motion by Adam Faulstich, second by Deb Johnson. Motion carried 7-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, November 14, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. Council member Nicole Cox was absent. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the Invocation was given by Rob Keck, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input was heard.

HEARTLAND ART CENTER

Heartland Art Center President Anna Kietzman and SRKM Architecture Co-Owner Brent Martin explained they are applying for the READI 2.0 and Lily Endowment grants. They requested financial support in the form of a donation from the Commissioners, who favorably recommended \$180,000 to be applied to the cost of a new roof at the Heartland Art Center. Discussion was held concerning the ownership of the building and the ability to meet the timeline for American Rescue Plan funding.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Board of Commissioners President Stan Klotz discussed the possibility of entering an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Plymouth for Plan Commission Interim Director services.

He explained there has been a request from the landowners whose property lines are shared with the Highway Department for a tree line to be planted at an estimated cost of \$23,500.

He further explained that a generator was installed at the County Building and there was a water leak from the original pipes. The Buildings & Grounds Department does not have the funding available in their budget to pay the invoices to Martell Electric in the amount of \$1,792.11 or DR Masonry in the amount of \$3,200. The total cost of repair is \$4,992.11. **Will Patterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to pay the invoices as presented from the Council Other Project account line. Motion carried 6-0.**

President Klotz requested support of an additional appropriation of \$75,000 from the American Rescue Plan Fund to support the six local food banks. **Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to support an additional appropriation request of \$75,000 from the American Rescue Plan Fund to support the local food banks. Motin carried 6-0.**

Jesse Bohannon moved, second by Will Patterson, to communicate to the Commissioners it is the desire of the Council to utilize the remaining American Rescue Plan funds for the Highway Department. Motion carried 6-0.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(12): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on October 31, 2024.

General/Sheriff (1000-005): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$32,706 into Video Cameras. Motion carried 6-0.**

General/Plan Commission (1000-079): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$7,000 into Professional Services. Motion carried 6-0.**

General/Probation (1000-273): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$15,000 into Care: Patients & Inmates. Motion carried 6-0.**

LIT Special Purpose (1114): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$12,000 into Prisoner Meals and \$45,000 into Utilities. Motion carried 6-0.**

Community Corrections Project Income (1122-009): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$22,000 into Electronic Monitoring Equipment. Motion carried 6-0.**

Supplemental Adult Probation (2100): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$46,542 into Wages-Dept. Head, \$183,424 into Wages-Probation Officer, and \$20,217 into Employer Social Security. Motion carried 6-0.**

Victim Assistance Donations (4901): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$1,194.65 into Office Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.**

Bridge 232 – Randolph Street (8111): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$10,800 into Right-of-Way. Motion carried 6-0.**

American Rescue Plan (8950): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$50,387 into 6.1-Jefferson Street Parking Lot. Motion carried 6-0.**

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(11)

General/Commissioners (1000-068): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$33,000 from Group Health Insurance into Employer PERF. Motion carried 6-0.**

General/Superior Court I (1000-201): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$1,500 from Grand & Petit Jurors into Unified Law Library. Motion carried 6-0.**

General/Superior Court III (1000-203): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$2,500 from Office Furniture & Fixtures with \$700 into Jury Meals, \$1,400 into Contractual Services, and \$400 into Repair Furniture & Equipment. Motion carried 6-0.**

MVH/MVH Restricted (1176/1173): **James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$280 from MVH Wages-Overtime into MVH Restricted**

Wages-Overtime; \$3,174 from MVH Employer PERF to MVH Restricted Employer PERF; and \$1,700 from MVH Other Operating Supplies into MVH Restricted Other Operating Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

Sex/Violent Offender (1192): James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$1,000 from Wages-Turnkey/Dispatcher PT into Computer Equipment. Motion carried 6-0.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance (4702): James Masterson moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve the transfer request of \$40,000 from HSA Reimbursement into Auxiant Weekly and \$40,000 from Auxiant-TrueRx Weekly into Auxiant Weekly. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes of October 10, 2024: Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the meeting minutes of October 10, 2024 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Claims: James Masterson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the submission of a Lebbin Law invoice in the amount of \$4,170 and Cender Dalton invoice in the amount of \$200. Motion carried 6-0.

2025 Sheriff Salary Contract: Tim Harman moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve the 2025 Sheriff Salary Contract in the amount of \$101,544.82. Motion carried 6-0.

Juvenile Detention Funding: Discussion was held concerning the need for juvenile detention.

Resolution 2024-10: Transfer From Employee Benefits Rainy Day: Auditor Birchmeier explained there is a shortfall in the Employee Medical Benefits Fund and requested \$450,000 be transferred from the Employee Benefits Rainy Day Fund. **Tim Harman moved, second by Deborah Johnson, to approve Resolution 2024-10: Transfer from Employee Benefits Rainy Day. Motion carried 6-0.**

Rainy Day Transfer: Discussion was held concerning the transfer of \$600,000 from the General Fund into the Employee Benefits Rainy Day Fund.

Council Injunction Request-Solar: Attorney Marcel Lebbin stated that the Complaint for Declaratory Judgment was filed. Tamarack Solar filed for a change of venue today and the Commissioners have not responded.

Plan Commission: President Bohannon stated a request was received from Plan Commission Director Ty Adley to allow the Board to consult with an attorney during the process of hiring a new Director. **Tim Harman moved, second by Will Patterson, to support an amount not to exceed \$2,000 for legal fees in the hiring process. Motion carried 6-0.**

Public Safety: Vice President Harman stated that he is working with Attorney James Clevenger regarding the interlocal agreements with the local fire and emergency departments.

PUBLIC INPUT

Cindy Casper, 13805 Jarrah Road, Argos, thanked the Council for supporting the citizens.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m. upon motion by Will Patterson, second by James Masterson. Motion carried 6-0.**

Jesse Bohannon, President

Tim Harman, Vice President

James Masterson

Deborah Johnson

Nicole Cox

Will Patterson

Adam Faulstich

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Thursday, December 12, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, Will Patterson and Adam Faulstich; Attorney Marcel Lebbin; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the Invocation was given by Jesse Bohannon, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

No public input was heard.

PROPEL US 30 WEST

CDM Smith Project Manager Scott Sandstrom provided a PowerPoint presentation on the ProPEL US 30 West Briefing. He explained the purpose of transportation improvements along the US 30 West corridor is to improve regional mobility and safety along US 30 and US 31 and preserve both as vital statewide transportation corridors moving people and goods. He outlined the study schedule, the Level 3 Screening Process, the planning segments and improvement packages. The study is available for viewing in numerous local libraries and online at www.ProPELUS30.com. He stated the study will be completed early next year with the recommendations sent to INDOT. It will likely be six to seven years before construction begins.

DUSTIN'S PLACE

Dustin's Place Executive Director Viki Brown requested funding to renovate the space donated by LifePlex. She explained the total project cost is estimated to be \$750,000, but has not yet bid the project. She explained that she is working on obtaining grant funding opportunities and donations. She requested financial support from the County in the amount of \$185,000. President Bohannon recommended an initial commitment of \$75,000 and dependent upon other financial assistance from the other units of government, an additional commitment up to \$55,000 for a total of \$130,000.

Will Patterson moved, second by Jim Masterson, to pledge \$75,000 to the renovation of Dustin's Place with an option to request an additional \$55,000. Motion carried 7-0.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda items including additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations, Tim Harman requested the additional appropriation for Medical Benefits Self Insurance submission of \$1,000,000 into Auxiant Weekly be removed for individual consideration.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-1(13): Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriation was advertised in the Pilot News, posted on the county website, and bulletin boards on November 29, 2024.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance (4702): Tim Harman moved, second by James Masterson, to approve an additional appropriation request of \$500,000 into Auxiant Weekly. Motion carried 7-0.

Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the remainder of the additional appropriations and transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Voter Registration (1000-010): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$600 into Wages-Overtime. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Building Department (1000-312): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$300 into Vehicle Maintenance Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.

Bridge 232 – Randolph Street (8111): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$30,080 into Right-of-Way. Motion carried 7-0.

Owner Occupied Housing Project (8113): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$12,563 into Home #10: 905 Center St, Plymouth; \$15,063 into Home #11: 609 W. Washington St, Plymouth; \$24,392 into Home #12: 19475 9C Road, Plymouth; \$23,283 into Home #13: 15936 Yarlett St, Culver; \$19,657 into Home #14: 1498 Oak Road, Plymouth; \$17,916 into Home #15: 908 Center St, Plymouth; and \$17,420 into Home #16: 10199 Queen Road, Plymouth. Motion carried 7-0.

American Rescue Plan (8950): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the additional appropriation request of \$263,200 into 6.1-Clerk Voting Machine; \$75,000 into 2.10 Aid to Non Profit Organization; and \$174,578.74 into 7.3 Transfer to Other Units of Government. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(12):

General/Treasurer (1000-003): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$224.11 from Repair Furniture & Equipment into Office Furniture & Fixtures. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Treasurer (1000-003): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$554.60 from Contractual Services into Office Furniture & Fixtures. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Sheriff (1000-005): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$8,000 from Wages-Detective 1st Sgt into Wages-Overtime. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Sheriff (1000-005): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$7,000 from Vehicle Repair into Wages-Overtime. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Sheriff (1000-005): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$10,000 from Vehicle Maintenance Supplies into Wages-Overtime. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Surveyor (1000-006): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$5,413.80 from Wages-Clerical/Admin Assistant into Wages-Office Manager/Drain Management. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Voter Registration (1000-010): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$200 from Training into Wages-Overtime. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Election Board (1000-062): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$300 from Training-Poll Worker into Meals-Poll Worker. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Election Board (1000-062): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$900 from Training-Poll Worker into Wages-Machine Technician. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Election Board (1000-062): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$400 from Training-Poll Worker into Wages-Employee Poll Worker. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Election Board (1000-062): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$300 from Hot Spot Data Plan into Office Supplies. Motion carried 7-0.

General/Commissioners (1000-068): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$15,000 from Utilities into Professional Services. Motion carried 7-0.

LIT Special Purpose (1114): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$7,000 from Professional Services into Prisoner Meals. Motion carried 7-0.

LIT Special Purpose (1114): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$25,000 from Wages-Turnkey/Dispatcher into Group Health Insurance. Motion carried 7-0.

LIT Special Purpose (1114): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$30,000 from Wages-Turnkey/Dispatcher PT into Group Health Insurance. Motion carried 7-0.

Health (1159): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$25,000 from Group Life Insurance into Group Health Insurance. Motion carried 7-0.

Health (1159): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$10,000 from Group Life Insurance into Employer PERF. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH (1176): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$28,349.10 from Employer PERF to Wages-Heavy Equipment Operator. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH (1176): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$10,000 from Employer PERF to Employer Social Security. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH (1176): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$30,000 from Vehicle Maintenance Supplies to Group Health Insurance. Motion carried 7-0.

MVH Restricted/MVH(1173/1176): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$19,909.52 from MVH Restricted Wages-Area Leaders to MVH Wages-Area Leaders. Motion carried 7-0.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance (4702): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$55,000 from Auxiant Weekly into Samaritan Fund. Motion carried 7-0.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance (4702): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$85,000 from Auxiant Weekly into Paradigm Holdings. Motion carried 7-0.

American Rescue Plan (8895): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$180.01 from 6.1-DTF Supplies into 7.3-Transfer to Other Units of Government. Motion carried 7-0.

American Rescue Plan (8895): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$232.61 from 6.1-Coroner Stair Chair into 7.3-Transfer to Other Units of Government. Motion carried 7-0.

IOCS PreTrial Grant (9013): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$40.76 from Staff Training into Group Health Insurance. Motion carried 7-0.

Community Corrections Prosecutor Diversion (9126): Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$1,500 from Travel/Mileage into Wages-Pretrial Diversion Officer. Motion carried 7-0.

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of **\$1,500 from Bookkeeper/Office Administrator into Fuel/Travel. Motion carried 7-0.**

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of **\$3,000 from Bookkeeper/Office Administrator into Office & Warehouse. Motion carried 7-0.**

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of **\$2,500 from Bookkeeper/Office Administrator into Software. Motion carried 7-0.**

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of **\$3,000 from Appliance/Electronics into Print/Public Information. Motion carried 7-0.**

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of **\$71.72 from Appliance/Electronics into Legal Notices. Motion carried 7-0.**

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of **\$4,000 from Appliance/Electronics into Equipment. Motion carried 7-0.**

Solid Waste: Will Patterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of **\$1,000 from Hazardous Materials into Commodity Recycling. Motion carried 7-0.**

Minutes of November 14, 2024: Deborah Johnson moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the meeting minutes of November 14, 2024 as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1, with Nicole Cox abstaining.

Claims: Adam Faulstich moved, second by Will Patterson, to approve the submission of a Lebbin Law invoice in the amount of \$6,980. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution 2024-12: Transfer To Employee Benefits Rainy Day: Auditor Birchmeier stated the General Fund cash balance on November 30th was \$7,173,508.14, the 2025 estimated miscellaneous revenue is \$8,723,124 and the estimated levy is \$8,219,070, which at this time is more than the amount needed to support the 2025 General Fund budget of \$15,653,508. As discussed at the November Council meeting the Resolution calls for a transfer of \$600,000 from the General Fund into the Employee Benefits Rainy Day Fund. James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Resolution 2024-12: Transfer to Employee Benefits Rainy Day as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 2024-10(8): Amending Salary Ordinance 2023-25: Deborah Johnson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to approve Ordinance 2024-10(8): Amending Salary Ordinance 2023-25, Section: Clerk of the Circuit Court, Fund 1000-001, adding one (1) Clerk-General Election Stipend in the annual rate of \$2,500; and Section: Auditor, Fund 1000-002, adding one (1) Auditor Stipend in the annual rate of \$2,500. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 2024-26: Amending Salary Ordinance 2024-23: James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve Ordinance 2024-26: Amending Salary Ordinance 2024-23, Section: Auditor, Fund 1000-002, adding one (1) Auditor Stipend in the bi-weekly rate of \$96.15 effective January 1, 2025. Motion carried 7-0.

Lebbin Law Authorization: Will Patterson moved, second by Adam Faulstich, to empower Marcel Lebbin to utilize outside sources. Motion carried 7-0.

Lebbin Law Report: Invenergy has filed a motion to dismiss, and the Council will seek an extension due to the holidays.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jamie Fleury, 509 S. Bourbon Street, Bourbon, called on the Council and community members to help Dustin’s Place and the children in the community.

Health Department Administrator Sandy Dunfee provided a list of services provided by the Health Department this year.

COUNCIL ITEMS - CONTINUED

Fire Protection Grant Program: Vice President Harman stated that a recommendation has been received by Financial Advisor Steve Dalton concerning a Fire Protection Grant Program as follows: 1) Transfer \$500,000 from the General Fund to a newly created Fire Protection Grant Fund. 2) Additionally appropriate those dollars; \$50,000 to each of the eight townships and \$100,000 to “other fire protection”. 3) Pass a resolution which grants the Commissioners the ability to use the dollars for the eight townships to fund equipment grants. **Tim Harman moved, second by Nicole Cox, to establish a Fire Protection Grant Program to be administered by the Commissioners. Motion carried 7-0.**

James Masterson thanked Jesse Bohannon and Adam Faulstich for their service to the Council and welcomed Steve Gorski and Brandon Schadek.

Jesse Bohannon thanked the members and committed a new spirit of collaboration between the boards as an incoming Commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, **the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m. upon motion by James Masterson, second by Nicole Cox. Motion carried 7-0.**

James Masterson

Will Patterson

Tim Harman

Steve Gorski

Nicole Cox

Brandon Schadek

Deborah Johnson

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor

MINUTES
MARSHALL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on Monday, December 30, 2024, the Marshall County Council met in a public meeting at the Marshall County Building, Room 203, 112 W. Jefferson Street, Plymouth, Indiana, at 8:30 a.m. pursuant to the call of the President. Board members present were President Jesse Bohannon, Vice President Tim Harman; Members James Masterson, Nicole Cox, Deborah Johnson, and Adam Faulstich; and County Auditor, Angela C. Birchmeier. Council member Will Patterson was absent. The meeting streamed live at <http://www.youtube.com/@MarshallCountyIN>, the Invocation was given by James Masterson, the Pledge of Allegiance was said, noting a quorum is present the business at hand was heard.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Consent Agenda: Having had the opportunity to review the consent agenda item, transfer of appropriations, **James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer of appropriations under the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.**

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-2(13):

General/Veterans Service Officer (1000-012): James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$695.49 from Training into Wages-Department Head. Motion carried 6-0.

General/Sheriff (1000-005): James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$8,000 from Vehicle Repair into Wages-Detective 1st Sergeant; \$19,528.57 from Vehicle Repair into Wages-Patrol Officer; \$1,471.43 from Wages-Overtime into Wages-Patrol Officer; \$2,000 from Computer Equipment into Wages-Patrol Officer; and \$3,200 from Security Systems into Wages-Security Officer. Motion carried 6-0.

LIT Special Purpose (1114): James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$7,000 from Wages-Turnkey/Dispatcher PT into Wages-Overtime; \$15 from Jail Lease Rental Bond Payment into Wages-Bookkeeper; \$370 from Jail Lease Rental Bond Payment into Wages-Administrative Services Assistant; \$800 from Jail Lease Rental Bond Payment into Wages-Cook; \$140 from Jail Lease Rental Bond Payment into Wages-Maintenance Supervisor Jail; \$700 from Jail Lease Rental Bond Payment into Wages-Turnkey/Dispatcher Sergeant; and \$8,350 from Prisoner Supplies into Prisoner Meals. Motion carried 6-0.

Cum Cap Development (1138): James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$38,908 from Vehicle Purchase into Software Maintenance and \$23,897.04 from Computer Equipment into Software Maintenance. Motion carried 6-0.

MVH (1176): James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$4,959 from Wages-Area Leader into Employer PERF and \$4,960 from Wages-Overtime into Employer PERF. Motion carried 6-0.

Medical Benefits Self Insurance (4702): James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$73,248.65 from Auxiant Weekly into Stop Loss Premium \$3,289 from Auxiant Weekly into UR/PPO Fees; \$5,111.90 from Auxiant Weekly into Administrative Fees; \$3,927.50 from Auxiant Weekly into Broker Fees; \$1,864.40 from Auxiant Weekly into SHARx Fees; and \$1,542 from Auxiant Weekly into Annual Administrative Fee. Motion carried 6-0.

Clerk IV-D (8899): James Masterson moved, second by Nicole Cox, to approve the transfer request of \$100 from Travel/Mileage into Office Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 a.m. upon motion by Nicole Cox, second by Deborah Johnson. Motion carried 6-0.

James Masterson

Will Patterson

Tim Harman

Steve Gorski

Nicole Cox

Brandon Schadek

Deborah Johnson

Attest:

Angela C. Birchmeier, Auditor