

CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA
Regular Meeting of February 10, 2025

The regular scheduled meeting of the Clark County Council was called to order at 6:00p.m. by Council President Brian Lenfert.

Those in attendance stood for the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag and prayer.

Roll call showed members present and absent as follows:

Present

Absent

Teah Williams-Hampton (1st District)

Ron Grooms (2nd District)

Brian Lenfert (3rd District)

Steve Doherty (4th District)

Ronald Blevins (At Large)

Chris Fox (At Large)

Richard Snelling Jr. (At Large)

Also present were Council Attorney Maxwell McCrite, Auditor Danny Yost, and Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth.

Attorney Max McCrite confirmed Proof of Publication.

Councilperson Doherty motioned to approve the January 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilperson Snelling seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Councilperson Lenfert stated that the Council Attorney Contract would need to be added to the agenda under Old Business. Councilperson Doherty motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Councilperson Fox seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Councilperson Lenfert stated that there was one person signed up for Public Comment, Steve Palmquist. Steve explained that he is on the Board of Trustees for the Jeffersonville Township Public Library and that he was present to answer any questions the council might have on appointments to their board. Councilperson Lenfert explained that after having a conversation with Steve, he discovered the council has two appointments to this board instead of one, but they

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the salary ordinance being requested after the budget, at a higher rate. Councilperson Doherty motioned to approve the additional appropriations in 4954. Councilperson Blevins seconded. Motion approved 6-0-1 with Councilperson Snelling abstaining.

Recorder Steve Gill presented his request for additional appropriations in 1189. He explained that his request was due to the salary ordinance being requested after the budget, at a higher rate as well. Councilperson Snelling motioned to approve the additional appropriations in 1189. Councilperson Williams-Hampton seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

There was no one present from the Surveyor's Office to present their request. Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth explain that this request for a transfer of appropriations in 1202 is due to Equipment for the Surveyor's Office being budgeted under 32414, an inactive account. This will move the budget to the appropriate account for equipment, 40014. Councilperson Lenfert motioned to approve the transfer of appropriation in 1202. Councilperson Doherty seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Tom Lowe and Adrian Anderson, with the Courts, presented their requests for additional appropriations in 1237 for Vet Court of Southern Indiana, CCATS Program, IMPACT Court, and CC Wellness. They asked to withdraw one of the requests for additional appropriations in 1237 for Probation as this was tabled at the previous meeting and requested again. These funds are Opioid Settlement Funds awarded to the Courts by the Commissioners. They were previously appropriated in 2024, but the funds were not spent by the end of the year. Councilperson Fox motioned to approve the requests for additional appropriations in 1237 for Vet Court of Southern Indiana, CCATS Program, IMPACT Court, and CC Wellness. Councilperson Blevins seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Galadriel Ballard, with Community Corrections, presented the request for additional appropriations in 1237 for Community Corrections. Councilperson Grooms motioned to approve the additional appropriations in 1237 for Community Corrections. Councilperson Blevins seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Tom Lowe and Adrian Anderson presented the request for additional appropriations in 1237 for Probation. Councilperson Snelling motioned to approve the request for additional appropriations in 1237 for Probation. Councilperson Blevins seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Tom Lowe and Adrian Anderson presented the request for additional appropriations in 1191. This is to reappropriate funds that were not spent before the end of 2024 for the USCERA issue discussed at length at the December meeting. Councilperson Lenfert motioned to approve the additional appropriations in 1191. Councilperson Blevins seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Tom Lowe and Adrian Anderson presented the requests for additional appropriations in 2527, 9117, 2100, and 2533. The requests in 8887 and 9154 were removed. The request in 2527 is to re-appropriate the Jury Fee Fund for Jury expenses now that the fund has a balance. The

requests in 9117 are to reappropriate funds that were not spent before the end of 2024. The request in 2533 is for Books and Supplements. Councilperson Snelling motioned to approve the requests in 2527, 9117, 2100, and 2533. Councilperson Williams-Hampton seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Commissioner Jack Coffman presented the request for additional appropriations in 1000 for the Drainage Board. The council zeroed out the Drainage Board's budget for contract services in county general and gave \$60,000 in 1202. With engineering expenses, Jack does not believe this will be enough. Councilperson Lenfert motioned to approve the additional appropriation in 1000 for the Drainage Board in the amount of \$20,000, denying the \$40,000 balance. Councilperson Fox seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Tom Lowe and Adrian Anderson presented the request for additional appropriations in 4967 and 9142 that were tabled at the previous Council meeting. Councilperson Lenfert motioned to approve the additional appropriations in 4967 and 9142. Councilperson Doherty seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Tracy Keith and Jennifer Snawder, with Juvenile Detention, presented their requests for additional appropriations in 1000 for Personal Services, FICA/Medicare, and PERF and a transfer of appropriation in 4915. Tracy explained that the request for additional appropriations includes the amount for hiring a Training Coordinator at a salary of \$58,665. Councilperson Blevins motioned to approve the additional appropriations in 1000, transfer of appropriation in 4915, and a Salary Ordinance for Training Coordinator in the amount of \$58,665. Councilperson Williams-Hampton seconded. Councilperson Lenfert explained that he was not comfortable approving the requests because he still sees discrepancies between Tracy's numbers and the Location Budget for Juvenile Detention. Motion Fails 2-5.

Councilperson Blevins motioned to reconsider the request for a transfer of appropriation in 4915. Councilperson Doherty seconded. Motion to reconsider approved 7-0. Councilperson Doherty motioned to approve the transfer of appropriation in 4915. Councilperson Fox seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Tracy with Juvenile Detention asked what else she could do to prove the need for their requests. Councilperson Lenfert asked Tracy if she could quantify the savings, they would see by the changes they are making to their contracts. Tracy stated that she would not have an idea until they have been operating the new way for a quarter. Councilperson Lenfert asked the Auditor's Office to look into the discrepancy between the Ledger and the Location Budget. This needs to be figured out before decisions are made. With upcoming budget struggles, the council will be hesitant to add new positions.

Attorney Max McCrite presented his contract for the Council's approval. He stated that the contract begins 2/1/2025 and ends 1/31/2025. He explained this is appropriated so a new

council may have counsel for their first meeting. The amount of the contract is \$25,000 to be paid quarterly. This amount was previously \$21,000 but was increased around COVID time to \$25,000 and has not gone up since. Councilperson Snelling motioned to approve the Council Attorney Contract with Max McCrite in the amount of \$25,000. Councilperson Doherty seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Councilperson Lenfert discussed the proposed Jeffersonville Fire Territory and the budget implications it would have for the County.

No Public Comments.

Attorney Max McCrite thanked the council for the new contract. He reminded the council to contact him about any legal concerns involving the council. He will be sending a circular to the council regarding Conflict of Interest.

No Auditor Comments.

Councilperson Doherty motioned to adjourn. Councilperson Blevins seconded. Motion approved 6-0.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS
FOR THOSE FUNDS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE APPROVAL OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 5-2025**

WHEREAS, certain extraordinary conditions have developed since the adoption of the existing annual budget so that it is necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget.

Section I. BE IT ORDAINED by the Clark County Council of Clark County, Indiana that for expenses of Clark County government and its institutions for the year ending December 31, 2025, the following sums of money are herein specified subject to the law governing the same, such sum herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures provided by law.

Section II. THAT for the fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the various funds herein for the following specified amounts to meet such extraordinary emergencies which are declared to exist.

Fund Name	Fund	Account	Obj	Loc	Account Description	Allowed	Vote
ARP	8950	30051	0000	030	Contract Services	\$500,000.00	7-0
ARP	8950	30051	0000	030	Contract Services	\$1,700,000.00	7-0
ARP	8950	40008	0000	030	Land	\$500,000.00	7-0
ARP	8950	40147	0000	030	Tornado Sirens	\$160,000.00	7-0

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ARP	8950	40151	0000	030	CHARLESTOWN WATER MAIN EX	\$27,150.00	7-0
ARP	8950	40157	0000	030	Henryville Mem Sanitation Corp	\$300,000.00	7-0
ARP	8950	49007	0000	030	Marysville-Otisco Nabb Water	\$1,481,000.00	7-0
ARP	8950	40156	0000	030	Borden Sewer & WW Trtmt Plant	\$1,650,000.00	7-0
Cum Bridge	1135	40161	0000	064	BRIDGE #400- WILLINGER LANE	\$787,337.00	7-0
Community Crossing Grant	9139	40161	0000	064	BRIDGE #400- WILLINGER LANE	\$597,925.00	7-0
16.607 Bulletproof Vest	8143	40014	0000	005	Equipment	\$1,302.38	7-0
16.710 COPS De- Escalation	8247	30051	0000	005	Contract Services	\$7,874.00	7-0
16.710 COPS De- Escalation	8247	30107	0000	005	Freight	\$650.00	7-0
Marine Patrol Assistance Grant	9133	11107	0000	005	Personal Services	\$10,000.00	7-0
Treasurer Fees Fund N/R	4954	11107	0000	003	Personal Services	\$6,500.00	7-0
Treasurer Fees Fund N/R	4954	11171	0000	003	FICA / Medicare	\$498.00	7-0
Treasurer Fees Fund N/R	4954	11176	0000	003	PERF	\$826.00	7-0
Recorder's Perpetuation	1189	11176	0000	004	PERF	\$761.73	7-0
Recorder's Perpetuation	1189	11171	0000	004	FICA / Medicare	\$458.10	7-0
Recorder's Perpetuation	1189	11107	0000	004	Personal Services	\$6,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	20060	0500	302	Supplies	\$10,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30115	0500	302	Drug Screening	\$10,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	20060	0501	302	Supplies	\$10,000.00	7-0

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Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30115	0501	302	Drug Screening	\$10,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	20060	0502	302	Supplies	\$14,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30115	0502	302	Drug Screening	\$1,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30013	0502	302	Travel	\$2,741.67	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	20060	0504	302	Supplies	\$4,500.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30115	0504	302	Drug Screening	\$500.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30013	0504	302	Travel	\$5,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30115	0000	369	Drug Screening	\$2,000.00	7-0
Opioid Restricted Funds	1237	30013	0000	090	Travel	\$5,000.00	7-0
Riverboat Revenue Fund	1191	11107	0000	302	Personal Services	\$46,602.78	7-0
Riverboat Revenue Fund	1191	11171	0000	302	FICA / Medicare	\$3,565.11	7-0
Riverboat Revenue Fund	1191	11176	0000	302	PERF	\$61,302.57	7-0
Jury Fee Fund	2527	30127	0000	302	Jury Pay	\$35,000.00	7-0
Jury Fee Fund	2527	30129	0000	302	Jury Meals	\$5,000.00	7-0
VETERANS COURT GRANT	8887	30051	0000	302	Contract Services	Asked to remove	7-0
Circuit Ct. 2 Drug Ct-CCYC #1	9117	20060	0000	302	Supplies	Asked to remove	7-0
Circuit Ct. 2 Drug Ct-CCYC #1	9117	40014	0000	302	Equipment	\$945.68	7-0
VETERANS COURT IDOC 2	9154	30051	0000	302	Contract Services	\$14,184.21	7-0
County General	1000	30051	0000	026	Contract Services	\$20,000.00	7-0
Consolidated Prob. User Fee	2100	30051	0000	369	Contract Services	\$20,225.00	7-0
Alcohol & Drug User Fee	2533	20062	0000	369	Books Supplements	\$10,000.00	7-0

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Justice Partners Addictions 2	8898	11107	0000	369	Personal Services	\$37,000.00	7-0
Justice Partners Addictions 2	8898	11171	0000	369	FICA / Medicare	\$3,200.00	7-0
Justice Partners Addictions 2	8898	20060	0000	369	Supplies	\$2,000.00	7-0
Justice Partners Addictions 2	8898	30017	0000	369	Training	\$7,900.00	7-0

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING
TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS
ORDINANCE NO. 6-2024**

Fund Name	Fund	Account	Object	Location	Account Description	Allowed	Vote
93.994 SUID Grant	8206	30051	0000	071	Contract Services	-\$20,000.00	7-0
93.994 SUID Grant	8206	20060	0000	071	Supplies	\$20,000.00	7-0
Surveyor's Perpetuation	1202	32414	0000	006	#N/A	-\$10,000.00	7-0
Surveyor's Perpetuation	1202	40014	0000	006	Equipment	\$10,000.00	7-0
Juv Det Project Income	4915	30051	0000	041	Contract Services	-\$1,000.00	7-0
Juv Det Project Income	4915	40011	0000	041	Furniture Fixtures	\$1,000.00	7-0

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING SALARY
AND WAGES TO BE PAID TO OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025
AMENDMENT NO. 2**

Fund Name	Fund	Location	Account Description	Allowed	Vote
County Highway	1176	061	Assistant Superintendent	\$62,732.80	7-0
Justice Partners Addictions 2	8898	369	2 Part Time Assessment Officers @ 18/hr.	\$34,000.00	7-0

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Members of the Clark County Council

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NAYS

<u>Brian J. Jernst</u>	_____
<u>Ronald B. B...</u>	_____
<u>Leah Wilke</u>	_____
<u>Ch. Stephen A. Doo</u>	_____
<u>Ronald D. Brown</u>	_____
<u>R. J. Doo</u>	_____
<u>Steve Doherty</u>	_____

Attest: [Signature]

Danny Yost - Clark County Auditor

Approved this 10th day of March, 2025.

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