



**CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA
Regular Meeting of May 11, 2026**

Roll call showed members present and absent as follows:

Present:

Councilperson Williams-Hampton
Councilperson Grooms
Councilperson Lenfert
Councilperson Doherty
Councilperson Fox
Councilperson Snelling Jr.
Councilperson Blevins

Absent:

1. Open Meeting-

Councilperson Fox opened the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting at 6:00pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Those in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Invocation

Those in attendance remained standing for the invocation.

4. Proof of Publication

Council Attorney Max McCrite confirmed proof of publication.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.
Seconded By Councilperson Grooms
Motion to approve meeting minutes as listed above.

Carried (7 to 0)

6. Agenda Amendments and Approval

There were no amendments to the agenda.

7. Acknowledge Receipt of Funds Report

The council acknowledged the receipt of the funds report.

8. Public Comment by Sign-In Sheet, 3 Minute Limit

There was no one signed up for public comment.

9. New Business

a. Clark County Courts, Adrian Anderson and Judge Karaffa

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Seconded By Councilperson Blevins

Motion to approve all requests listed under Clark County Courts, Tom Lowe and Adrian Anderson as detailed below.

Carried (7 to 0)

a.a Request for additional appropriations in Circuit Ct. 2 Drug Ct-CCYC#1

9117-30013-302 Travel \$1,989.91

This fund was on the dormant funds list and the Courts would like to use this for travel to the All Rise Conference.

a.b Request for additional appropriations in 16.585 Drug Ct Discretionary

From: 8231-11107-302 Personal Services \$11,594.00

To: 8231-30013-302 Travel \$6,094.00

To: 8231-30017-302 Training \$5,500.00

This is a transfer not an additional as originally shown on the agenda. There is now 2 employees in this grant instead of 3, so they would like to transfer the appropriation to Training to use for the All Rise Conference.

b. Clark County Commissioners, Bryan Glover

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Seconded By Councilperson Blevins

Motion to approve all requests listed under Clark County Commissioners, Bryan Glover as detailed below.

Carried (7 to 0)

b.a Request for additional appropriations in ARP

8950-30051-030 Contract Services \$2,283,475.52

8950-40157-030 Henryville Mem Sanitation Corp \$500,000.00

8950-40147-030 Tornado Sirens \$10,234.99

This will complete already pledged balances.

b.b Request for additional appropriations in Opioid Restricted Funds

1237-30051-030 Contract Services \$87,250.00

1237-30051-030 Contract Services \$64,641.81

The Commissioners awarded \$87,250 to the Homeless Coalition of Southern Indiana and \$64,641.81 to Tri-Township Fire Protection District.

b.c Request for additional appropriations in County General

1000-34404-030 Special Public Defender \$26,078.00

A special public defender was court ordered on two separate cases due to the Public Defender's Office having a conflict.

b.d Request for additional appropriations in Clark County Cum Capital

1138-31025-030 ADA Evaluation Transition Plan \$42,000.00

This is for a contract with DLZ to meet federal and state ADA requirements.

b.e Request for additional appropriations in Community Crossings Grant

9139-40173-030 CR160 Milling and Paving \$631,449.70

This is a 50/50 Community Crossing Grant for milling and paving on County Road 160. The local match will be transferred from Cum Cap.

c. Clark County Health Department, Doug Bentfield

Doug Bentfield stated that there was a recent amendment to the EMS contract, which included the implementation of two part-time ambulances. There has already been a reduction in response times for Borden and New Washington/

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Doherty

Motion to approve all requests listed under Clark County Health Department, Doug Bentfield as detailed below.

Carried (7 to 0)

c.a Request for additional appropriations in VIP-FSSA Opioid

9216-30051-720-071 Contract Services/Family Ark \$17,240.00

9216-30051-071 Contract Services \$20,000.00

c.b Request for additional appropriations in 93.354 School Clinic Grant

8233-40014-071 Equipment \$17,271.98

c.c Request for a transfer of appropriations in 93.074 Public Health Prep.

From 8212-11107-071 Personal Services \$100.00

To 8212-30013-071 Travel \$100.00

d. Clark County Sheriff, Diane Shahroudi

Moved By Councilperson Doherty

Seconded By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Motion to approve the Clark County Sheriff, Diane Shahroudi as requested.

d.a Request for a transfer of appropriation in Sheriff DFC Grant

From: 9116-20060-005 \$3,486.00

To: 9116-40014-005 \$3,486.00

d.b Request for a transfer of appropriation in Federal Forfeiture

From 9204-40014-005 Equipment \$1,784.00

To 9240-20060-005 Supplies \$1,784.00

e. Clark County Drainage Board, Jack Coffman

e.a Drainage Board Resolution

Jack Coffman introduced Doug Baldessari with Baker Tilly and Steve Emly with OHM Advisors. The Drainage Board passed a resolution to implement a \$1 per month drainage fee to unincorporated parcels in the county. This will be a user fee added to the property tax bill. This would fund the administrative costs of a Drainage Department and a small amount of capital projects. This will keep the county compliant with EPM's MS4 requirements. For the past 13 years, the MS4 responsibilities were handled by County Engineer, Brian Dixon. Currently, no one is covering the MS4 responsibilities. The Drainage Board would like to move forward with the council approving a resolution for this drainage fee. Council Attorney Max McCrite stated he would need to draft the resolution and research the advertisement requirements for this.

Upon advice from the Council's legal counsel, the council took no action on this item.

f. Clark County Council

f.a Request for additional appropriations in County Elected Officials Trng

1217-30013-031 Travel \$2,000.00

Councilperson Grooms submitted reimbursement for an AIC Training that he attended. Since the council does not have appropriation for Travel, the Auditor's Office submitted this request.

Moved By Councilperson Doherty

Seconded By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Motion to approve the Request for additional appropriations in County Elected Officials Trng as requested.

Carried (7 to 0)

g. Clark County Treasurer, Monty Snelling

g.a Request for a transfer of appropriation in Treasurer Fees Fund N/R

From 4954-11105-003 Part Time Hourly \$1,000.00

To 4954-30041-003 Printing \$1,000.00

This will cover the remaining balance for the cost of the tax bills.

Moved By Councilperson Grooms

Seconded By Councilperson Doherty

Motion to approve the Request for a transfer of appropriation in Treasurer Fees Fund N/R as requested.

Carried (7 to 0)

h. Tri-Township Fire Protection District, Amir Mousavi

h.a Request for additional appropriations

This is to appropriate the \$65,000 award Tri-Township received in the Opioid Grant Fund from the Commissioner's.

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Seconded By Councilperson Grooms

Motion to approve Ordinance 8-2026, an Additional Appropriation Ordinance for Tri-Township Fire Protection District.

Carried (7 to 0)

i. Clark County Probation, Mischell Settles and Judge Nick Karaffa

This will cover the cost of a video doorbell that has already been installed for the Juvenile Probation office to add security. Councilperson Fox stated that he spoke to Judge Karaffa and Commissioner Glover before the meeting and there may be an option to pay for this out of Cum Cap or the Building Operations budget.

i.a Request for additional appropriations in County General

1000-30051-369 Contract Services \$2,850.00

Moved By Councilperson Doherty

Seconded By Councilperson Lenfert

Motion to deny the Request for additional appropriations in County General as requested.

Carried (7 to 0)

j. Clark County Auditor

Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth explained that all three of the Auditor's items are related.

In December of 2025 the Payroll Deputy moved to a different position within the county. When the Payroll Deputy position was posted in December, there was only a select few qualified candidates. The person who was hired was qualified; however, they have already resigned from their position to pursue a better opportunity. The Payroll Deputy position was posted again on 4/21/2026. As of today, there have been 26 total applicants. Of those applicants only one truly has appropriate payroll experience. The Payroll Deputy is responsible for paying around 600 county employees biweekly along with other responsibilities.

With the advice of HR Director, Elizabeth Miller, the Auditor's Office put together a request to rearrange the salaries within our office in order to raise that position up to a more desirable level. This proposal will not change the overall amount of Personal Services expense for our office. There is another vacant position in the Auditor's Office. Instead of hiring for this role, the Auditor's Office would like to redistribute responsibilities and give a current employee a \$2,006 raise. The vacant position would be lowered by \$5,351.35. The intention would be to leave the other position vacant. With these changes, the Payroll Deputy's pay can be increased to \$52,000. These changes are item j.a.

Item j.b and j.c are a salary ordinance and corresponding appropriation for training hours, so

that the previous Payroll Deputy can assist with training the new hire.

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Teah Williams-Hampton

Motion to approve all requests listed under Clark County Auditor as detailed below.

Carried (7 to 0)

j.a Request for a salary ordinance amendment in Auditors Ineligible Deductions

1216-002, Various changes as detailed in spreadsheet, no change in total salaries for office.

j.b Request for a salary ordinance amendment in Auditors Ineligible Deductions

1216-002, Payroll Deputy-Temporary Training, Effective 5/1/2026, \$27.23 per hour

j.c Request for a transfer of appropriation in Auditors Ineligible Deductions

From 1216-30051-002 Contract Services \$10,765.00

To 1216-11105-002 Part-Time Hourly \$10,000.00

To 1216-11171-002 FICA/Medicare \$765.00

10. Old Business

None.

11. Reports and Comments

a. Council

Councilperson Doherty thanked the Commissioners for meeting with the Council.

Councilperson Williams-Hampton thanked everyone for their hard work. She thanked the Auditor's Office for being budget conscious in their requests. This budget process will be tough but with good leadership, we will get through it.

Councilperson Grooms asked the departments for help with their budgets as they know their budget best.

Councilperson Snelling thanked everyone who came to the meeting. He also commended Councilperson Lenfert for his hard work.

Councilperson Lenfert stated that there are extra copies of the budget spreadsheet he spoke about at the joint meeting. He will go over every number on the spreadsheet if anyone would like. He also asked the Auditor's Office to look for dormant funds to clean up the fund report.

Councilperson Blevins stated that he appreciates Councilperson Lenfert. He has a really good handle on the county's funds. He appreciates Councilperson Fox as president.

b. Attorney

None.

c. Auditor

Auditor Danny Yost congratulated those who won their primary elections. He also thanked the council for approving the Auditor's Office requests.

Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth asked the council if they had any recommendations for the budget email to department heads.

Councilperson Lenfert stated that salaries need to be flat.

Councilperson Blevins stated that department heads need to "sharpen their pencils" and to pay extra attention to their budget.

Councilperson Fox stated that the departments need to keep the budget deficit in mind. He would like to see departments not immediately fill positions if someone resigns. He would not project any raises at this time.

12. Adjournment

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Doherty

Motion to adjourn.

Carried (7 to 0)

Members of the Clark County Council

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Ronald B. D.

Leah Williams

Steve Dorton

K. J. D.

Brian Jensen

Ken Green

Christopher A. Cox

Danny Yost

Attest:

Danny Yost - Clark County Auditor

Approved this 8th day of June, 2026.