

**CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA**  
Regular Meeting of July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The regular scheduled meeting of the Clark County Council was called to order at 6:00p.m. by Councilperson Barbara Hollis.

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

Roll call showed members present and absent as follows:

Present	Absent
Barbara Hollis (1st District)	
Darci Schiller (2nd District)	
Brian Lenfert (3rd District)	
Steve Doherty (4th District)	
Kevin Vissing (At Large)	
David Abbott (At Large)	
John Miller (At Large)	

Also present were County Attorney Maxwell McCrite, and Auditor Danny Yost.

Councilperson Hollis offered June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Council minutes. Councilperson Doherty stated that there were a few minor changes that needed to be made to the minutes on Page 3 of the June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Council minutes. The Salary Ordinance request from James Hayden had an incorrect second on the motion. It was supposed to be Councilperson Abbott instead of Councilperson Doherty. For the Mickey Weber Salary Ordinance request the motion was seconded by Councilperson Doherty instead of Councilperson Miller. Councilperson Vissing motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as amended. Councilperson Lenfert seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

Councilperson Hollis requested any amendments that need to be made to the agenda. There was an amendment to the agenda to add the 2022 Annual Report for the Clark County Regional Airport and the tabled item from last meeting has been withdrawn. Councilperson Lenfert motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Councilperson Miller seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

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Councilperson Doherty motioned to acknowledge a receipt of the fund's report provided by the Auditor's office. Councilperson Miller seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.

Committee Reports: None.

Public Comments: None.

Jim Baker, Vice President of the South-Central Regional Airport Authority, and John Secor, Manager of the Clark County Airport, distributed and presented the 2022 Annual Report. The past year, the Clark County Regional Airport was upgraded from a Regional Airport to a National Airport. This allows the Airport to receive an extra \$500,000 in annual Entitlement Funds. In 2014, the Airport had 56 Base Aircrafts and 10 Jets. In 2023, the Airport has 163 Base Aircrafts and 56 Jets. Perimeter fencing is a project that will be started next year due to a few collisions with wildlife. The 2022 Financial Statement had shown Total Current Assets amounted to \$44,065,198.14, Total Long-Term Liabilities amounted to \$4,694,849.72, Operations Income amounted to \$688,523.01, Operations Expense amounted to \$633,791.07. John Secor had stated that there is good speculation that JVY could become the 2<sup>nd</sup> remote controlled tower in the nation. The tower could open the possibility of JVY chartering small passenger planes in the future. The Council thanked them for their time.

Jack Coffman with the Clark County Commissioners presented multiples requests of additional appropriation. The first additional appropriation request is for Jail Door funding in the amount of \$400,000 in the Clark County Cum Capital fund. The 2022 Council approved the budget in October but the Salary Ordinance that was passed in December exceeded what was budgeted in October. The second additional appropriation request will absolve the amount that exceeded the budget if approved. Motion by Councilperson Lenfert to approve the additional appropriation requests in the County General fund and the Clark County Cum Capital fund. Seconded by Councilperson Miller. Motion approved 7-0.

The Clark County Sheriff presented a request of a transfer of appropriations. The Transfer of Appropriation is in the amount of \$1,332.00 from Equipment to Supplies in the Port Security #5 fund. Motion by Councilperson Miller to approve the transfer of appropriation request in the Port Security #5 fund. Seconded by Councilperson Schiller. Motion approved 7-0.

Patti Smith with the Clark County Health Department presented multiple requests of additional appropriation. Motion by Councilperson Lenfert to approve the transfer of appropriations as requested in the 93.074 Public Health Prep fund and in the 93.136 ECHO Grant fund. Seconded by Councilperson Doherty. Motion approved 7-0.

Tom Lowe with the Clark County Courts presented multiple requests. The first request is an additional appropriation in the County General fund in the amount of \$6,130.12. The next request is multiple transfers of appropriations in the County General fund. Legal Fees to Supplies in the amount of \$279.43. Software to Lease/Bond Payment in the amount of \$1,390.00.

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Transcripts & Depos to Equipment in the amount of \$725.00. Supplies to Meals in the amount of \$2,000.00. Supplies to Transcripts & Depos in the amount of \$2,000.00. Equipment to Interpreter Services in the amount of \$699.00. Furniture Fixtures to Interpreter Services in the amount of \$2,000.00. Furniture Fixtures to Lease/Bond Payment in the amount of \$3,000.00. Motion by Councilperson Vissing to approved the additional appropriations and the transfers of Appropriations in the County General fund as requested. Seconded by Councilperson Miller. Motion approved 7-0.

The Clark County Surveyor presented a request of a transfer of appropriation from Contract Services to Equipment in the Surveyor's Perpetuation fund in the amount of \$2,800.00. Coffman stated that the equipment is for a new copier. The Drainage board has split the total cost of \$5,600.00 with the Surveyor's Office. Motion by Councilperson Vissing to approve the transfer of appropriation request in the Surveyor's Perpetuation fund. Seconded by Councilperson Doherty. Motion approved 7-0.

Lyda Abell with Clark County Juvenile Detention presented a request of additional appropriation. The request amounts to \$170,000. Councilperson Hollis stated the income that was running the department has essentially dried up. The lack of out of county juvenile delinquents has been the cause. Motion by Councilperson Lenfert to deny the additional appropriation requests out of the County General fund and the Rainy Day fund; to approve the additional appropriation request out of the Riverboat fund. Seconded by Councilperson Miller. Motion approved 7-0

Steve Gill the Clark County Recorder presented multiple requests of Salary Ordinances. He is asking to move money around into different positions as well as moving employees into different positions. This change is due to the retirement of one of his employees. He is proposing that under the County General Fund to change the Category 4 Recorder to \$32,000.00 and to have the Chief Deputy at \$45,395.62. He is proposing in the Recorder's Perpetuation fund to have two Category 2 Recorder's at \$40,400.00, the Category 3 Recorder at \$35,500.00, and the Part-Time position at a maximum of \$20,000.00. Councilperson Lenfert stated that the base should be used as the comparison because longevity is an entirely different factor. They are losing the longevity at the position because the previous employee had almost 35 years of experience. The County Council sets salaries on position and not employee. If you look at the two Full-Time positions in the County General fund, he is taking \$2,400 away from Category 4 Recorder and putting it towards the Chief Deputy position. Councilperson Lenfert stated he is okay with that change. Councilperson Lenfert was not okay with taking the \$5,000 away from Part-Time and distributing it towards Full-Time salaries. It could give other departments an incentive to not use Part-Time money and give raises. Part-Time is there only if it is needed. Councilperson Doherty stated that he sees this as a reduction even though he is using some Part-Time money. He also said that Steve Gill is doing things in the Recorder's office that hasn't been done in the past. His last statement was that he appears to be quite frugal with what he has been

given. Motion by Councilperson Doherty to allow the changes as proposed but with an understanding that there will not be a raise or an increase discussed at budget time. Seconded by Councilperson Abbott. Motion approved 6-1. Lenfert Opposed

No Reports. Commissioner Jack Coffman stated there was a freak accident with an employee on 7/13 and the employee is still in the hospital. Coffman also said that the Highway Department is receiving more applicants and higher skilled employees since the raises have started. Councilperson Hollis then asked Coffman how the Court renovations are looking. Coffman said that the first floor is completely finished. The judges have settled in their new court rooms in Superior #5 and Superior #6. The fourth floor won't be started until a few more weeks. No Attorney Comments. Auditor Yost wanted to remind the Council to set the budget hearing dates which a discussion ensued. Councilperson Hollis stated the growth quotient for the maximum levy is 4%. Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> of August has been set as the first budget hearing from 9am-4pm. Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> of August is the second session of the budget hearing from 2am-6pm. The third and final budget hearing from 8:30am to 12pm is on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August. The Council also changed the regular meeting in October from the 9<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> due to Fall Break. Councilperson Miller wanted to remind everyone that the Clark County 4-H fair was starting this week. ~~Councilperson~~ Councilperson Vissing stated he is now cancer free. Councilperson Abbott motioned to adjourn. Councilperson Lenfert seconded. Motion approved 7-0.

**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. 15-2023**

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, 2023, 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.

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Requested      Allowed      Vote

**Clark County Commissioners- Bryan Glover**  
**Clark County Cum Capital**  
**Additional Appropriation**

1138-40005-030 Building Improvements      \$400,00.00      \$400,000.00      7-0

**County General**

**Additional Appropriation**

1000-11107-030 Personal Services      \$1,500.00      \$1,500.00      7-0

1000-11171-030 FICA/Medicare      \$115.00      \$115.00      7-0

1000-11176-030 Perf      \$191.00      \$191.00      7-0

1000-11107-059 Personal Services      \$6,300.00      \$6,300.00      7-0

1000-11171-059 FICA/Medicare      \$483.00      \$483.00      7-0

1000-11176-059 Perf      \$801.00      \$801.00      7-0

**Clark County Courts- Tom Lowe**

**County General**

**Additional Appropriation**

1000-30013-375 Travel      \$1,465.00      \$1,465.00      7-0

1000-30175-302 Transcripts & Depos      \$4,500.00      \$4,500.00      7-0

1000-31003-302 Lease/Bond Payment      \$165.12      \$165.12      7-0

**Clark County Juvenile Detention- Lyda Abell**  
**Riverboat**

**Additional Appropriation**

1000-11107-041 Personal Services      \$90,000.00      \$90,000.00      7-0

1000-11171-041 FICA/Medicare      \$6,885.00      \$6,885.00      7-0

1000-20035-041 Medical      \$2,000.00      \$2,000.00      7-0

1000-20041-041 Clothing/Hygiene      \$8,000.00      \$8,000.00      7-0

1000-20043-041 Food      \$10,000.00      \$10,000.00      7-0

1000-20060-041 Supplies      \$2,000.00      \$2,000.00      7-0

1000-20064-041 Janitorial Supplies      \$5,000.00      \$5,000.00      7-0

1000-30017-041 Training      \$4,000.00      \$4,000.00      7-0

1000-30051-041 Contract Services      \$5,000.00      \$5,000.00      7-0

1000-30054-041 Equipment Repair      \$7,000.00      \$7,000.00      7-0

1000-30070-041 Nursing Services      \$7,000.00      \$7,000.00      7-0

1000-30099-041 Physician Services      \$8,400.00      \$8,400.00      7-0

1000-30094-041 Meals      \$5,000.00      \$5,000.00      7-0

1000-31003-041 Lease/Bond Payment      \$3,715.00      \$3,715.00      7-0

1000-40014-041 Equipment      \$6,000.00      \$6,000.00      7-0

**County General**

**Additional Appropriation**

1191-11107-041 Personal Services      \$90,000.00      Denied

1191-11171-041 FICA/Medicare      \$6,885.00      Denied

1191-20035-041 Medical      \$2,000.00      Denied

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1191-20041-041 Clothing/Hygiene	\$8,000.00	Denied
1191-20043-041 Food	\$10,000.00	Denied
1191-20060-041 Supplies	\$2,000.00	Denied
1191-20064-041 Janitorial Supplies	\$5,000.00	Denied
1191-30017-041 Training	\$4,000.00	Denied
1191-30051-041 Contract Services	\$5,000.00	Denied
1191-30054-041 Equipment Repair	\$7,000.00	Denied
1191-30070-041 Nursing Services	\$7,000.00	Denied
1191-30099-041 Physician Services	\$8,400.00	Denied
1191-30094-041 Meals	\$5,000.00	Denied
1191-31003-041 Lease/Bond Payment	\$3,715.00	Denied
1191-40014-041 Equipment	\$6,000.00	Denied

**Rainy Day**

**Additional Appropriation**

1186-11107-041 Personal Services	\$90,000.00	Denied
1186-11171-041 FICA/Medicare	\$6,885.00	Denied
1186-20035-041 Medical	\$2,000.00	Denied
1186-20041-041 Clothing/Hygiene	\$8,000.00	Denied
1186-20043-041 Food	\$10,000.00	Denied
1186-20060-041 Supplies	\$2,000.00	Denied
1186-20064-041 Janitorial Supplies	\$5,000.00	Denied
1186-30017-041 Training	\$4,000.00	Denied
1186-30051-041 Contract Services	\$5,000.00	Denied
1186-30054-041 Equipment Repair	\$7,000.00	Denied
1186-30070-041 Nursing Services	\$7,000.00	Denied
1186-30099-041 Physician Services	\$8,400.00	Denied
1186-30094-041 Meals	\$5,000.00	Denied
1186-31003-041 Lease/Bond Payment	\$3,715.00	Denied
1186-40014-041 Equipment	\$6,000.00	Denied

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING  
TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
ORDINANCE NO. 16-2023**

	Requested	Allowed	Vote
<b>Clark County Sheriff- Scottie Maples</b>			
<b>Port Security #5</b>			
<b>Transfer of Appropriation</b>			
From 8175-40014-005 Equipment	\$1,332.00	\$1,332.00	7-0
To 8175-20060-005 Supplies	\$1,332.00	\$1,332.00	7-0

**Clark County Health Department- Doug Bentfield**  
**93.074 Public Health Prep**  
**Transfer of Appropriation**

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From 8212-11107-071 Personal Services	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	7-0
To 8212-20060-071 Supplies	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	7-0

From 8212-40014-071 Equipment	\$1,623.00	\$1,623.00	7-0
To 8212-20060-071 Supplies	\$1,623.00	\$1,623.00	7-0

**93.136 ECHO Grant**

**Transfer of Appropriation**

From 8205-11107-071 Personal Services	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	7-0
To 8205-30051-071 Contract Services	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	7-0

From 8205-11171-071 FICA/Medicare	\$1,989.00	\$1,989.00	7-0
To 8205-30051-071 Contract Services	\$1,989.00	\$1,989.00	7-0

From 8205-40014-071 Equipment	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	7-0
To 8205-30017-071 Training	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	7-0

**Clark County Courts- Tom Lowe  
County General**

**Transfer of Appropriation**

From 1000-30096-375 Legal Fees	\$279.43	\$279.43	7-0
To 1000-20060-375 Supplies	\$279.43	\$279.43	7-0

From 1000-40010-375 Software	\$1,390.00	\$1,390.00	7-0
To 1000-31003-375 Lease/Bond Payment	\$1,390.00	\$1,390.00	7-0

From 1000-30175-375 Transcripts & Depos	\$725.00	\$725.00	7-0
To 1000-40014-375 Equipment	\$725.00	\$725.00	7-0

From 1000-20060-302 Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	7-0
To 1000-30094-302 Meals	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	7-0

From 1000-20060-302 Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	7-0
To 1000-30175-302 Transcripts & Depos	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	7-0

From 1000-40014-302 Equipment	\$699.00	\$699.00	7-0
To 1000-31019-302 Interpreter Services	\$699.00	\$699.00	7-0

From 1000-40011-302 Furniture Fixtures	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	7-0
To 1000-31019-302 Interpreter Services	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	7-0

From 1000-40011-302 Furniture Fixtures	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	7-0
To 1000-31003-302 Lease/Bond Payment	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	7-0

**Clark County Surveyor- David Ruckman  
Surveyor's Perpetuation**

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**Transfer of Appropriation**

From 1202-30051-006 Contract Services	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	7-0
To 1202-40014-006 Equipment	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	7-0

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING SALARY  
AND WAGES TO BE PAID TO OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**

**FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023  
AMENDMENT NO. 7**

	Requested	Allowed	Vote
<b>Clark County Recorder-Steve Gill</b>			
<b>County General</b>			
<b>Salary Ordinance</b>			
Chief Deputy Recorder	\$45,359.62	\$45,359.62	6-1
Category 4 Deputy Recorder	\$32,400.00	\$32,400.00	6-1
<b>Recorder's Perpetuation</b>			
<b>Salary Ordinance</b>			
Category 2 Deputy Recorder	\$40,400.00	\$40,400.00	6-1
Category 2 Deputy Recorder	\$40,400.00	\$40,400.00	6-1
Category 3 Deputy Recorder	\$35,500.00	\$35,500.00	6-1
Part-Time	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	6-1

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Members of the Clark County Council

AYES

NAYS

<u>Kevin Vissing</u>	_____
<u>[Signature]</u>	_____
<u>[Signature]</u>	_____
<u>Brian [Signature]</u>	_____
<u>Steve [Signature]</u>	_____
<u>Subara Hollis</u>	_____
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Attest: Danny Yost

Danny Yost - Clark County Auditor  
Approved this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023