WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM
107 W. Locust Street
Boonville, Indiana
November 03, 2016
6:00 PM

The Warrick County Council met in regular session in the Warrick County Courthouse, 107 W. Locust Street, Boonville, Indiana.

Council President, Gary Meyer, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Attorney Cliff Whitehead attended.

County Auditor Debbie Stevens and Secretary Kristine Georges attended and recorded the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Gary Meyer: Roll call.

Krystal Powless: Gary Meyer?

Gary Meyer: Here.

Krystal Powless: Charlie Christmas?

Charlie Christmas: (Councilman Christmas was not present for this meeting).

Krystal Powless: David Hachmeister?

David Hachmeister: Here.

Krystal Powless: Allan Holweger?

Allan Holweger: (Councilman Holweger was not present for this meeting).

Krystal Powless: Brad Overton?

Brad Overton: Here.

Krystal Powless: Greg Richmond?

Greg Richmond: Here.

Krystal Powless: Paul Rudolph?

Paul Rudolph: Here.

Gary Meyer: Before we get started, I was wondering if anybody would know who won the seventh game last night. I think he knows, yeah. But that was a great ball game. It really was.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
OCTOBER 6, 2016

Gary Meyer: Okay, approve Minutes, Regular Meeting, October 6th. Would this also be the Public Hearing?

Krystal Powless: No, not yet.

Gary Meyer: Oh.

Krystal Powless: Next time.

Gary Meyer: Oh, next time, okay.

Greg Richmond: That was the second question I was gonna ask you (inaudible).

Gary Meyer: Anybody have any additions or corrections?

David Hachmeister: If no corrections I motion to approve.

Brad Overton: Second.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Dave to approve and seconded by Brad. All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

TABLED ITEMS
NEW BUSINESS
ST MARY'S WARRICK QUARTERLY REPORT

Gary Meyer: Okay, Tabled Items, New Business, St. Mary's Warrick Quarterly Report.

Pat Rauscher: Good evening, how you guys doing?

Gary Meyer: Good, how are you doing?

Pat Rauscher: Enjoying the weather outside, nice and warm.

Gary Meyer: Yeah.

Pat Rauscher: Pat Rauscher, Director for St. Mary's Warrick EMS. I've got the year to date quarterly report for the third quarter, January through September. So the total runs remain up for this year compared to last at four thousand two hundred three (4,203) verses four thousand eighty four (4,084). Local Hospitals running twenty-four, twenty-three (2,423) this year compared to twenty-four, twenty...five-seven (2,457) last year. Refusals seen a jump and we're not really sure why, seven-thirty-four (734) to five-ninety-three (593) from last year's. Hospital transfers, four-twenty-nine (429) last year to three-fifty-six (356) this year. The Other category we're sitting at two-forty-seven (247) verses two-thirty-two (232). Our Private Run business this year is four-forty-three (443) verses three-seventy-three (373). One of the things I promised you guys to do is I know at the beginning of the year I brought you the annual rates through January where, which we, I brought at the beginning of the year, cause I didn't know like when or if we'd update those. I told you if our fiscal year would be a change that I'd bring that back to you. July 1st is our fiscal year start date for the hospital. So they did look at the rates across the board for all their, for all their services. We did increase our rates for the first time since November of 2013 in August of this year. And those numbers are with, with your data there. But essentially it's about a ten percent (10%) increase to make up to pay basic par in the region. That's what we're looking at with that. If you wanna read the numbers I can, but they're on your sheets that I've got there. The other piece of information I want to let you know is I know we've, eight hundred (800) radios have been becoming more and more use in this area. The fire departments are going on board with that, the police and sheriff I believe are already up on the eight hundred (800) system, which is a little better system. St. Mary's is beginning to buy those. We will be looking at a two (2) year process to have all of our radios switched over to the eight hundred (800) system. We have the order in right now for all our handhelds. So hopefully, I hope in a few weeks, they come in, we'll be operational on the eight hundreds (800's). The four hundreds (400's) will stay in the trucks in case we need those or we have issue with the system, as a backup. But by, hopefully by next year we'll have the radios in the truck operational so we should be completely switched over with that. So, that's about all that I have unless you have any questions or comments?

Gary Meyer: Anybody have questions? Comments?

Greg Richmond: I need to ask you a question before you go but...

Pat Rauscher: Okay.

Greg Richmond: Probably not with all...

Pat Rauscher: Fair enough.

David Hachmeister: So what is an ANL...ALS and a BLS?

Pat Rauscher: What's an ALS and a BLS?

David Hachmeister: Yeah.

Pat Rauscher: ALS is your Advanced Life Support and BLS is your Basic Life Support.

David Hachmeister: Okay.

Pat Rauscher: So, the higher the level of care with the paramedic care would be your Advanced Life Support.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Pat Rauscher: Alright.

Gary Meyer: Thank you.

Pat Rauscher: Thank you very much.

SUPERIOR COURT I BUSINESS
BUDGET REDUCTION
DRUG COURT

Gary Meyer: Okay, Superior Court I, Budget Reduction. Health Insurance minus six thousand dollars (-$6,000.00). Case Manager minus seven thousand nine hundred and three dollars (-$7,903.00), for a total of thirteen thousand nine 'o three (-$13,903.00).

Judge Zach Winsett: Good evening, Gentlemen.

Gary Meyer: This is what we talked about last meeting, wasn't it?

Judge Zach Winsett: Yes.

Gary Meyer: Yeah.

Judge Zach Winsett: Yes, that was the, Zach Winsett, Superior Court I. That's the, moving the Case Manager from being paid by the program, Drug Court, to taking the place of Nels Walker who left, who was getting paid out of County General. And that's the, I guess, savings program, what we were paying, what the program was paying in health insurance and so forth.

Gary Meyer: Right. Any questions? Comments? Motions?

David Hachmeister: Motion to approve the Drug Redu...or excuse me, the budget reduction...

Gary Meyer: The reduction...

David Hachmeister: For Drug Court.

Paul Rudolph: Drug reduction too, right?

David Hachmeister: Yeah, yeah.

Brad Overton: Yeah, let's do that too.

Judge Zach Winsett: Hopefully, yeah.

Paul Rudolph: I'll second.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Dave and seconded by Paul. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS
SUPERIOR COURT I

Gary Meyer: Additional Appropriations, Superior Court I, Pauper Documents...Documents twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.00); Case Manager, Drug Court, one thousand five hundred and sixty-seven dollars ($1,567.00); Law Books, five thousand dollars ($5,000.00); for a total of twenty six thousand five hundred and sixty-seven dollars ($26,567.00).

Judge Zach Winsett: Yes, the Pauper Documents, that's the Court Appointed Attorneys. I don't think we'll spend twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.00). I had a back in forth with my staff, it's kind of an art form trying to guess, guestimate how much we're gonna spend between now and the end of the year. We've got about sixty-five hundred ($6,500.00) left in the tank and I think, but seventeen-eighteen thousand ($17,000.00-$18,000.00) we could spend. Ten thousand ($10,000.00) just on the appeal for the murder trial that we've got. Okay. So, I wanted to ask for ten ($10,000.00) but my staff was worried we'd have to come back...

Gary Meyer: Come back?

Judge Zach Winsett: And bother you fellas again. So we landed on twenty ($20,000.00). I don't think we're gonna use it. It would go back in County General whatever we don't use.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Paul Rudolph: Do you promise to report back to us in January which one of you was right?

Judge Zach Winsett: I'll, I'll probably just tell them they're right. Kind of used to that. So that's, I can go on to the Case Manager, that's just the difference in the salary from the Case Manager and the Home Verification Officer for the rest of this year. So that's the difference in pay. And the law books, we get ten thousand ($10,000.00) to start off and I've been trying to keep it under that. We went over that. But basically I've been sending a lot back and I've sent twelve hundred dollars ($1,200.00) back this year. But we're still going over that ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00). I think next year my goal is to stay underneath it.

Gary Meyer: Now when you say go back, sent back, what do you mean?

Judge Zach Winsett: Well...

Gary Meyer: You send the physical books back.

Judge Zach Winsett: You know the old, a company would send you something in the mail and if you kept it you got charged for it?

Gary Meyer: Oh, okay.

Judge Zach Winsett: Well, that still exists in the land of law books.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Judge Zach Winsett: Okay, so you buy it one (1) year, and then they say you have a subscription, so this last time was two (2) books this thick, three hundred dollars ($300.00) each, six hundred dollars ($600.00). And if you keep it you get charged for it. If you send it back you get credit.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Judge Zach Winsett: So, I, I've kind, I've inherited all of these subscriptions.

Gary Meyer: Do, do we subscribe to like Nexus or any of those, these online services?

Judge Zach Winsett: We have Westlaw and we do get free Lexus. A lot of people prefer Westlaw. Now half of that is the Statute Books and it's got the annotations, which the online doesn't have.

Gary Meyer: Oh, okay.

Judge Zach Winsett: It's got the Statute and then it has all the discussion about it.

Judge Zach Winsett: Plus anyone who's read a reference book or, or, or the Bible or religious text, you're reading something and you stick your finger in there and you wanna flip back because it references another section. And so...

Gary Meyer: You can't do that online.

Judge Zach Winsett: You can't do that online.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Judge Zach Winsett: Not so easy. So I've sent a lot back, I'm kind of getting my sea legs on what I need and what I don't. So I expect to send a lot more back next year.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Judge Zach Winsett: But they are necessary for the operation of the Court.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

David Hachmeister: Motion to approve all three (3) at the twenty-six five-sixty-seven ($26,567.00).

Gary Meyer: Motion made by David. Is there a second?

Brad Overton: Second.

Gary Meyer: Seconded by Brad. Any further discussion?

Paul Rudolph: So, just one last question about the law books.

Judge Zach Winsett: Yes.

Paul Rudolph: So are, what are, we were at ten ($10,000.00).

Judge Zach Winsett: Right.

Paul Rudolph: We're going up to fifteen ($15,000.00) and you mentioned we could have another twelve hundred ($1,200.00) that you've sent back...

Judge Zach Winsett: Yes.

Paul Rudolph: So it'll keep us lower. How much, what is the cost of the actual case law books themselves? And what, how much of this is other stuff?

Judge Zach Winsett: The West Books is about half.

Paul Rudolph: Half?

Judge Zach Winsett: Yeah, so everything else is just this reference book and that reference book and like I said that I'm kind of being cautious. I just don't wanna slash and get rid of everything and get caught and, and I need it and I don't have it. Okay.

Paul Rudolph: And then a follow-up question on that if you don't mind. There's obviously more than one (1) court here. Like, do you guys go door to door and borrow each other's books or does everyone have the same books or how's that whole thing work?

Judge Zach Winsett: I have done that before. I know on some of them, they've got a book for the courtroom, a book for the office, you know. I've kind of eliminated that, you know at least for my book. There's not a lot of sharing, is what you, there's not a lot of that.

Paul Rudolph: Is there a reason we don't?

Judge Zach Winsett: No. Especially now and that's, that's a great idea. And I think we should do that in the future. Now the reference books, I need, I need them there and I need them there when I need them. I can't be looking once those start get borrowing and stayed out then, you know, the criminal one gets borrowed and that's the one you need the most. But these other ones, like you're referencing, like that one (1) really good family law book, that I may pick up once a month, you have a great point. But maybe we could only have one (1) of those and share those.

Paul Rudolph: So is there anything the Council can do to assist in, assist the Judges in creating a sharing process?

Judge Zach Winsett: I think the next time we have a Judges meeting, I could volunteer to bring that up. We could all make lists of, of, of what we need and see what each other has and do that. And if we need the Council's help on that, I would certainly appreciate the offer.

Paul Rudolph: And I, my point of view is, I don't want to be heavy handed and sort of just try to reduce budgets...

Judge Zach Winsett: Right.

Paul Rudolph: But if we can create a process where we can voluntarily find a way to reduce costs then obviously that would be a good thing.

Judge Zach Winsett: And I think that that's a good idea. You know all the courts get along, we all talk to each other on a regular basis. So there's no reason why we couldn't cut costs on those reference books like that.

Paul Rudolph: Thank you.

David Hachmeister: Well, years ago the Circuit Court oversaw a library of all the books in, of course then gotta away from that.

Greg Richmond: They had one (1) library.

David Hachmeister: Correct and everybody wanted their own.

Judge Zach Winsett: And there's one (1), there's only one (1) law library around in Southern Indiana and that's in Vanderburgh County. And they have to have fundraisers and everything else to keep that going. Cause everything's went online. But online helps and I've gotten rid of a lot of books and I use the online but it's not a, it's not a, an answer for everything.

Paul Rudolph: Thank you.

Gary Meyer: Okay we have a motion by Dave and seconded by Brad to approve twenty-six thousand five hundred sixty-seven dollars ($26,567.00). All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

SALARY ORDINANCE
SUPERIOR I CASE MANAGER

Gary Meyer: Salary Ordinance, Case Manager, forty-one thousand ninety-seven dollars ($41,097.00).

Judge Zach Winsett: And as I said before, this goes with the, with the 3A. The Reduction. It goes hand in hand with that. This isn't a new position. This is an existing position that's just moving into the old Home Verification Spot.

Krystal Powless: Right.

Gary Meyer: You're not going to replace the one that the person left.

Judge Zach Winsett: No, not at this time. Our numbers are going up; I want to be cautious. If we do replace, I think it would start out at part time. They're already asking me when that's going to happen and I don't see that happening. Not this year. I think we need to be busting at the seams before we get one. And that will be paid by program fees and maybe start out part time as I said. And I'm exploring other options on Home Verification, other counties that are trying to cut costs are using a smartphone verification where they get apps on their smartphone. They have to have like a Facetime with the program and then they can see that they're, in their home and that sort of thing to kind of take the place of that sort of thing, and take the place of it. So I'm looking at a lot of options. There's no plans right now. But in the near future we most likely will need at least a part time Home Verification Officer. Need to get those numbers up. This will help, and this will kind of free up an opportunity to do that.

Gary Meyer: Good.

Paul Rudolph: (Inaudible).

Gary Meyer: I need a motion.

Paul Rudolph and Greg Richmond: Motion.

Gary Meyer: Paul did you make that motion?

Paul Rudolph: Sure.

Gary Meyer: Okay, motion made by Paul and I think I heard Greg second?

Greg Richmond: I'll second it.

Gary Meyer: Okay. To approve the forty-one thousand ninety-seven dollars ($41,097.00) for the Case Manager. All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

Judge Zach Winsett: Thank you, Gentlemen.

Gary Meyer: Thank you.

Judge Zach Winsett: Ms. Powless, Mr. Whitehead, have a good night.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUSINESS
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ILHDTA

Gary Meyer: Health Department, Additional Appropriation, Mosquito, what is that Dist.? Distribution?

David Hachmeister: Distribution, yeah.

Gary Meyer: Two thousand three hundred and ninety-eight dollars and ninety-seven cents ($2,398.97).

Krystal Powless: Okay did you all see that Aaron sent an email and I copied it and put it on your desk that explained the situation.

Paul Rudolph: Just for the public I wouldn't mind reading it.

Krystal Powless: Sure.

of that State Funding Grant. This is not a traditional rather than an approval of funding already appropriated by the State. That make sense to me. I motion we approve.

Brad Overton: Second.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Paul and seconded by Brad to approve. Any further discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
HEALTH

Gary Meyer: Additional Appropriation, Health. Vaxcare, one thousand one hundred fifty-five dollars ($1,155.00); Animal Control Expense, one thousand two hundred thirty-two dollars ($1,232.00); for a total of two thousand three hundred eighty-seven dollars ($2,387.00).

Brad Overton: This goes along the same thing Paul read, it's not another appropriation, but another transfer from...

Gary Meyer: Right.

Brad Overton: Income to expenses. Motion to approve.

David Hachmeister: Second.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Brad and seconded by David to approve. All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

PROSECUTOR BUSINESS
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION

Gary Meyer: Prosecutor Business, Additional Appropriation, Pre-Trial Diversion, Contractual, nine thousand dollars ($9,000.00). And he's not here.

Krystal Powless: No, he's not here. I don't know...

Gary Meyer: Was he supposed to be here?

Krystal Powless: I thought so.

Gary Meyer: I'd like to know what that nine thousand dollars ($9,000.00) was for.

Krystal Powless: It was for computer software but that is all I know. I can't tell you more than that.

Paul Rudolph: Motion to table.

David Hachmeister: Second.

Gary Meyer: All those in favor of tabling? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5, 0).

Greg Richmond: Was that Paul and David?

Paul Rudolph: Yes.

Greg Richmond: Yes.

Gary Meyer: Yes, Paul and David, I'm sorry.

Krystal Powless: And you just tabled the Additionals? The transfer is below it.

Paul Rudolph: Correct

Gary Meyer: Yeah.

TRANSFER
PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION

Gary Meyer: Pre-Trial Diversion, Transfer, from Copy Paper one thousand dollars ($1,000.00), transfer to Law Enforcement Training, one thousand dollars ($1,000.00).

Brad Overton: Motion.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Brad.

Paul Rudolph: Second.

Gary Meyer: And seconded by Paul. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT BUSINESS
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION JAIL

Gary Meyer: Sheriff Department Business, Additional Appropriation, Jail, Inmate Medical, twenty-five thousand dollars

($25,000.00).

Brett Kruse: Yeah, I wanna say up front I was gonna ask for twelve-five ($12,5000.00) but my staff advised me, I mean...the Judge told me I could use that.

Gary Meyer: Yeah, yeah. That's already been used. You can't use it again.

Brett Kruse: Okay. That, I hope, will cover us for the rest of the year. I know we're out, we had some claims sent back cause we didn't have funds in there this month.

Gary Meyer: Have the Commissioner's signed up with this new...

Brett Kruse: Yes.

Gary Meyer: Company? They did?

Brett Kruse: And they start in January 1.

Gary Meyer: January 1, okay.

Paul Rudolph: Motion to give the Sheriff twelve-five ($12,500.00).

Brett Kruse: I told you my staff advised me. And I, I think I hope that'll run us but you never know.

Gary Meyer: Um hum.

Brad Overton: This is a bad place for jokes isn't it, really, really...

Paul Rudolph: I was serious.

Brad Overton: We're not, we're not very good at this.

David Hachmeister: Motion denied for lack of a second. I'll make a motion to give twenty-five ($25,000.00).

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Brad Overton: Second.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Dave and seconded by Brad to approve. Any further discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

Paul Rudolph: I liked the twelve-five ($12,500.00).

Greg Richmond: I had one (1) question about this. Is, isn't there a program where we can (inaudible) from certain people and Medicaid and Medicare, some of this inmate...?

Brett Kruse: That was the plan in Indianapolis.

Gary Meyer: Um hum.

Brett Kruse: And, and in Washington, D.C. But I can tell you and, and they do pay if an inmate is hospitalized for either three (3) or five (5) days. They will go back to day one (1) and pay for that. They will pay if the inmate is signed up when they come in, I think. But see you lose government benefits when you get locked out. And I've addressed that with Ron Bacon, about how they're taking people's benefits before they're convicted. So he said he would look into it.

Greg Richmond: And what about if they have private insurance?

Brett Kruse: If they have private insurance, it pays. You don't lose that.

Greg Richmond: Collects on it. Okay.

Brett Kruse: Yeah, and we do get a few of those. They're rare.

Greg Richmond: Yeah.

Brett Kruse: I do, I did wanna let you know, I think Krystal got it today. We set up an additional appropriation for Inmate Meals that goes in the General Fund. So the State sends a check that goes in a General Fund. And then the reason we're gonna need it's because the population's up. We're serving between two-seventy (270) and three hundred (300) meals a day.

Greg Richmond: That leads to my next question. You have a committee in place to look at future jail needs, population wise, since we're growing so much. We're gonna outgrow like Vanderburgh has.

Brett Kruse: We need to have a committee in place.

Greg Richmond: Well, I think so too.

Brett Kruse: Yeah, because I, I don't think, that's just, I mean I could put a committee in place out there. I can tell you that right now we're gonna need it. But I think it needs to be one (1) of the Commissioners, and at least one (1) Council member and maybe two (2) if that's feasible. Because I think it's something we're going to have to look at. There is, and who knows how this is gonna work out, there's a new bond rule coming down but first they're, they're putting a pilot

felons, I think people from out of State, and if you're arrested, like if you're out, if you're released without paying a bond and you get arrested for another crime, there will be a bond set on you the second time. I think it's a Band-Aid that will work for six (6), eight (8) months, personally, because a lot of our, the people in our jail are, they're repeat offenders. But we'll, we'll...

Greg Richmond: I was around...

Brett Kruse: We'll see how it works.

Greg Richmond: I was around when they built this jail.

Brett Kruse: Um hum.

Greg Richmond: On the Council then, so I'd be glad to help out any way I can.

Brett Kruse: Well, and that's the reason that I wanted you guys to go to this meeting in Tell City. Because they're, they're gonna be engineering firms there and contractors there, supposedly that build the jail up there and they'll have ideas. I mean I think our jail and Marlin may know. This jail was built before my time. I was alive, but I wasn't (inaudible).

Brad Overton: I was gonna say, that's pathetic...

Brett Kruse: But I think it's built to build onto. I just don't know what it takes...

Greg Richmond: It was.

Brett Kruse: Because if you look on the, I call it the west side of the jail, there's a pretty good drop off there to the lot below it. And I think the reason it's like that is because the jail was built up, you know, they, they moved that dirt up to where the jail currently sits. So I think there would be, there would be some major dirt work to have to be done, because the fuel pumps and stuff are on the north side. But I think we need to be lookin' at it because it will take time to put it in place and the way that the inmate population's been growing. It's gonna be...

Greg Richmond: And the way the State laws keep shoving more down our way...

Brett Kruse: Right.

Greg Richmond: I like to be planning and prepared. Is what I like to do, rather than all of a sudden, here it has to be done now (inaudible).

Brett Kruse: And you know the thing of it is, when they, when they moved these low level felons to the County jail. They put it in place because it sounded good that we would be reimbursed by D.O.C. to house them. But by the time they get through the court system, I mean these people were only sentenced to a year. It takes a year for them to get through the court system. So they're sentenced to three hundred sixty-five (365) days in the County jail. Well they've already been there three hundred sixty-five (365) days and we can't charge for them until after they go to court and are convicted. That's, that's when D.O.C. will start paying for 'em. So the Three hundred sixty-five (365) days are up, and we don't collect a dime on it. Well, we've spent money on 'em, cause we get they're medical and everything else.

Paul Rudolph: So, you can't back bill? So you can't bill for the original three hundred and sixty (360) days or whatever it is?

Brett Kruse: You have to have the abstract and by the time they get to court and we get the abstract, it's time served and they're gone. And we can't bill for the time that we've been housing them because they weren't convicted.

Greg Richmond: Marlin, I'd like to ask the Commissioners if you guys could look for the old plans somewhere because I remember it was set up in a pod system where it could be built on.

Marlin Weisheit (from audience): (Inaudible)

Brett Kruse: And I've got a big roll of floor plans out there. They're not in the best of condition but they are still there, cause we used them for the renovation project five (5) years ago.

Greg Richmond: Thank you.

Brett Kruse: And that's all I have.

Gary Meyer: Okay, thank you.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Gary Meyer: Highway Business, Additional Appropriation, Assistant Superintendent, nine tho...nine hundred twenty-four dollars and twenty-three cents ($924.23). Lead Foreman, ninety-six dollars and twenty-five cents ($96.25), total of one thousand twenty dollars and forty-eight cents ($1,020.48).

Krystal Powless: This is for his second week of vacation.

David Hachmeister: Yeah.

Brad Overton: Motion.

David Hachmeister: Second.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Brad and seconded by Dave to approve. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

Paul Rudolph: This is all under that new policy that was approved by the Commissioners a couple of months ago.

Krystal Powless: Right, there's several coming next month also. And I mean several like three (3) or four (4), but yeah.

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE

Gary Meyer: Seven (7) B., Amended Salary Ordinance, one thousand twenty dollars and forty-eight cents ($1,020.48).

Krystal Powless: This is the same.

David Hachmeister: This is the...

Gary Meyer: Same thing.

David Hachmeister: Motion to approve.

Brad Overton: Second.

Gary Meyer: Motion made by Dave and seconded by Brad to approve. All those, all those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

(Additional Appropriations Sheet is found on Page 16 of these Official Minutes)

COUNCIL BUSINESS
TRI-CAP APPOINTMENT

Gary Meyer: Okay, County Council Business, Tri, Tri-Cap Appointment. It's my understanding that Sarah Seaton was on that?

Krystal Powless: Um hum.

Gary Meyer: Before and she resigned?

Krystal Powless: Before she, um hum.

David Hachmeister: Well, Sonya Smith is the one (1) recommended by 'em and I hadn't come up with anything different, so I make a motion we put Sonya Smith on.

Gary Meyer: Okay. Motion's been made to appoint Sonya Smith by David. Is there a second?

Greg Richmond: Second.

Gary Meyer: And seconded by Greg. Any discussion?

Paul Rudolph: Do we know why Ms. Seaton resigned her appointment?

Krystal Powless: Yes, her new work schedule wouldn't allow her to be at the meetings.

David Hachmeister: She changed jobs.

Paul Rudolph: Okay.

Gary Meyer: All those in favor of the motion? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0).

APPOINTMENT LIST REVIEW
2017 MEETING DATES REVIEW

Gary Meyer: Okay, in your packet you also have an appointment list which we probably won't do until January. But at least you can be thinking about the appointments we need for next year. Also the meeting dates are listed on there for next year so you can be thinking about that.

Krystal Powless: Well, I already know we have a typo on the meeting date list, so that Wednesday in June needs to be Thursday. I don't know why I did that.

Gary Meyer: Did that...

Brad Overton: Did you get in touch with the person that did that and let them know?

Krystal Powless: So, that is one change.

Paul Rudolph: So is it, is it Wednesday was the 1st and Thursday's the 2nd?

Krystal Powless: No.

Gary Meyer: No, it's still the 1st.

Paul Rudolph: Or that's just (inaudible)...

Gary Meyer: Yeah, it's still the 1st.

Paul Rudolph: Gotcha.

Krystal Powless: If you know any that you have any conflicts right now, you can tell me, but if not, you can look at it and then tell me if you need me...

Greg Richmond: I have one, got one conflict. I will not be here the 6th...

Brad Overton: Of?

Greg Richmond: Of April. I'm sorry. I get home...

Krystal Powless: We don't want to change it do we?

Greg Richmond: Tenth and the eleventh, but you don't have to, no, you don't have to change this for me. That's the only conflict that I have.

Brad Overton: I thought it was gonna be Greg Richmond Day, dang it.

Gary Meyer: We're gonna celebrate Greg Richmond Day.

Brad Overton: And it's supposed to be (inaudible).

Paul Rudolph: And I'll just point out that November 2nd, might be a problem for me. November 2nd, this year the Cubs were in the World Series. Lookin' for that to happen again next year.

Gary Meyer: Okay, okay.

Krystal Powless: Wow.

Gary Meyer: You're really counting on it aren't you? Holy cow.

Brad Overton: As lousy as the St. Louis Cardinals played in the Central Division, they might as well give it to them the next three (3) or four (4) years.

Paul Rudolph: I like the way you think, Brad.

Brad Overton: Hey, they look awful, they're terrible, I'm ready to go ransack Busch Stadium, but that doesn't have to go in the minutes.

Greg Richmond: They're gonna miss Hayward though.

Brad Overton: No, he's a bum.

OTHER BUSINESS
AUDITOR'S ADDRESS OF TRAVEL EXPENSES

Gary Meyer: Anybody from the audience like to address the Council?

Brad Overton: (Inaudible).

Debbie Stevens: Debbie Stevens, Warrick County Auditor. I kind of wanted to revisit some comments that were made in the last, it was in the Adoption Hearing. Mr. Richmond addressed travel by the Auditor's Office and you made a couple of statements, "I think you're spending too much money traveling, nobody else spends the money you spend." So, I have a couple of questions, 'what is too much money?' and I do have some figures that show that other people do spend more than I spend.

Greg Richmond: Can you tell me though, with those figures, where they get the money from? Because we put five hundred ($550.00) towards travel in your budget line item.

Debbie Stevens: No, I have more than that in my line item, in my budget line item.

Greg Richmond: Well, that was all that was on the budget.

Debbie Stevens: Pardon?

Greg Richmond: For Auditor Travel it says five hundred dollars ($500.00).

Debbie Stevens: Well, I don't, I don't have, let me see.

Greg Richmond: I know that, that when the State calls a meeting you can get it under unappropriated.

Debbie Stevens: I have fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500.00) in my Travel Expenses and then of course we have the unappropriated as you said. I have some, I have some documents to support.

Greg Richmond: Your line item, I don't have that. I need to see that cause my budget doesn't have that and I know we haven't done an additional.

Debbie Stevens: And I put the second sheet on the front and I'll stop talking 'til I get back to the mic. So, just to kind of visit some figures for this, this is all unappropriated. This would be for the conferences and...

Greg Richmond: Is conference unappropriated State Called Meeting?

Debbie Stevens: State Called Meetings are unappropriated.

Greg Richmond: Yeah, but conference, AIC Conference is not a State Called Meeting.

Debbie Stevens: No, that comes out of my travel budget. And actually I did want to remind you that by, under IC 36-2-9-2.5...

Greg Richmond: Read it again, please.

Debbie Stevens: IC 36-2-9-2.5 requires an individual elected to the Office of County Auditor on or after November 6, 2012 to complete at least fifteen (15) hours of training courses within the first year. And then forty (40) hours of training courses within the three (3) years after the beginning of the Auditor's term.

Greg Richmond: Okay, that part I don't have a problem with. But you need to come to us to ask for additionals for that money don't you?

Debbie Stevens: I, I haven't needed additional appropriations for travel.

Greg Richmond: Five hundred dollars ($500.00) covered all that training?

Debbie Stevens: I, my budget is more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) for travel. But to kind of, you, you threw out two (2) statements, and you know I really have to ask did you ever discuss this type of a subject with the previous Auditor? Have you confronted other officers? Because if you'll take a look at the summary that I've put together. This is on unappropriated only, but you can see each column, Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, previous Auditor, previous Auditor. And those are the totals and clearly I underspend in comparison to the previous Auditor's years 2011 and 2012 and as far as this year, you've got some other Officers who are on track to spend quite a bit more. If, if they attend their fall conference.

Paul Rudolph: What were the years 2013 and 2014?

Debbie Stevens: Pardon me?

Paul Rudolph: It's interesting you compared to 2011 and 2012, I guess my first question would be, what was the amount for 2013 and 2014?

Debbie Stevens: Well, I didn't do 2013/14. That was his third and fourth years. So, I'm comparing my first and second year...

Paul Rudolph: I see.

Debbie Stevens: I felt like that was more apples to apples, his first and second...

Paul Rudolph: That's reasonable.

Debbie Stevens: Years of his term.

Paul Rudolph: That's the financial.

Debbie Stevens: Of course on a couple of the Office Holders I had to make assumptions because the Treasurer wasn't able to attend her spring conference. And then another Officer still has yet the fall conference to attend. So the assumptions were to, that, we would assume that they would spend about the same. Maybe not, maybe more, maybe less. So have I been singled out? To have accusations made...

Greg Richmond: No, I just like for, it's not just you, anybody, I just happened to notice yours, and because your very critical of Council and Commissioners. I think we have a right to be looking at you and the things that you do also.

Debbie Stevens: Well, if I have an objection for something I try to have some facts and figures to back it up, or processes, uniform standard operating procedures, something...

Greg Richmond: Well, I would have if you would have come to us for additionals.

Debbie Stevens: Pardon me?

Greg Richmond: If you would have come to us for additionals I would have had those. I just didn't have any additional appropriations. I just saw a figure for travel and then I know what it costs to go for two (2), you're out of the office a lot. So I know you're traveling a lot.

Debbie Stevens: Why do you assume I'm out of the office a lot?

Greg Richmond: When I come in there, it's dark.

Debbie Stevens: I've seen you in my office two (2) times.

Greg Richmond: About four (4). And I've been there times when you haven't.

Debbie Stevens: I lock my door when I leave the office.

Greg Richmond: Okay, that's not an issue here. But I'm, my issue is, it's not just for you, all, everybody needs to watch their travel budget.

Debbie Stevens: Absolutely, I agree. These, this is not our money, it's our taxpayers. I feel like I do have an obligation

Greg Richmond: I don't have a problem with that.

Debbie Stevens: And...

Greg Richmond: But I'd like you to see, tell us where you're making these expenses and where they're going to. I didn't know that.

Debbie Stevens: But...

Greg Richmond: Cause we're the fiscal body, we need to be informed of all these things, so...

Debbie Stevens: You have access to every financial report.

Greg Richmond: I was worried that you may have been transferring them around from places where we didn't know what was happening to pay these travel expenses.

Debbie Stevens: I'm not sure where you get your information that I'm just running around all over the place and that I'm gone all the time. I'm not sure where you get that information. I'm over in that building...

Greg Richmond: I didn't say gone all the time.

Debbie Stevens: Many nights by myself 'til six (6:00 PM) and seven o'clock (7:00 PM) at night. And I am usually in the office by seven (7:00 AM) eight o'clock (8:00 AM) at the latest. So you know I just really didn't appreciate being singled out and accused of spending, and spending more than anyone else when you've got the figures in front of you. I gave you all of the documents to support the transactions that I (inaudible).

Greg Richmond: I appreciate that, and I will go through these.

Debbie Stevens: And you're welcome to ask me anytime. I, I, you know, anytime you need numbers, help with reports, whatever, I can do that for you. But all of this you have access to as well. All of the reports, the financials, you have access to all of that.

Greg Richmond: It takes me a full day to read the financial reports.

Debbie Stevens: Did anyone else have any questions for me?

Gary Meyer: I don't have a question on this, but we have somebody else on here.

Debbie Stevens: Okay.

Gary Meyer: I would, I would like to ask you a question later.

Debbie Stevens: Alright, thank you.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES

Gary Meyer: Commissioner Weisheit, you're on the list here.

Marlin Weisheit: Thank you. Marlin Weisheit, Warrick County Commissioner. I just wanted to fill you in on where we're at this year and some plans for next year so we can, maybe like Brett, get a committee together. But just to fill you in as far as road projects, we're finishing up. We've had a good fall. Our Community Crossroads Grant, they may not get that done this year. It depends on the weather. But if the weather stays like this another month they would probably get that all finished up out on the Boonville-New Harmony Road area. If not, that grant goes on through next year. As far as our buildings, you might have seen anything going on out at the Drug Court Building. And we put a new roof on there, we're spending a little money on it this year. They're out there; they started the tuck pointing on that building today. You might have been aware, we let a contract out on that and took bids. The tuck pointing was getting in very bad shape, but they're grinding it out and get that in shape. If we hadn't done something to that building, four (4) years ago and started this process we'd be talking demolition on that building today. It's a shame the shape that building got in. You know we took the Highway Department in there about four (4) years ago and we've been working on it in the winters, but replaced floor joist, walls, dry wall, a commode fell through the floor, it's a shame that building. But I'm glad we've saved that building and we're gonna do a little more work this fall in-house. So you got any questions about any of the buildings, be sure to ask us about it. But, but we have spent a little money on that building this year. It's just a shame the shape that I got in. It's too nice a building to let it go. And you know Drug Court, it is important. That is important to keep that going. I'm glad they're out there. They was needing a place to go. It worked out. Cause Brett's got prisoners in the jail, but that program does keep prisoners out of the jail. And it does help rehabilitate people. So I think we're using it very well. Our old jail down here, we're working with Boonville Now on some grants for the Historical Jail. We're getting close on getting a grant to get that figured out what we've gotta do. Our goal there is, of course we have two (2) new Commissioners coming in and we'd welcome any input you'ens have, our goal is to find somebody just to lease that building and take it over once we get it up in shape. But we don't wanna see it just fall apart neither where we would eventually have to tear it down. Cause it's, it's ripe to the birds. But I think we're gonna get some grants in place that we can save that building. Hopefully we'll find a partner to take the lease on it. Our blighted properties grant it's going good. That goes through the end of next year. We're substituting one (1), we've got a million three ($1,300,000.00) on that and you've seen a lot of houses torn down. We're still pluggin' in houses. If you know of any abandoned houses throughout the county that we've missed, that you think the property owner might, we've still got time. Right now it's getting right to the end where we can actually substitute them in. And we're gonna try to apply for some more funds there to keep that grant going and utilize it to its fullest extent. I would like to kind of consider maybe in January, and that was the main reason for me coming tonight, so we could put a committee together, what to figure out to do with this building. I mean you know it, it, it's going to need some major work. It'd be a good time to do a bond issue, but there's no need of us, Roger was checking it, he's getting some quotes, figures together. But we took quotes in '97, 2002, 2007. I think they did the latest in 2012. And nothing happened. So when you call these people to do some quotes, well it's just Warrick County, they're not gonna do nothin' anyhow. But it's time to take a serious look at this building. So what I'd like to see is maybe in January you guys talk it over, appoint maybe two (2) Councilmen. I'd like for Krystal and Roger to sit on a committee with one (1) Commissioner, so we can figure out what the best options is. Cause this building, I mean, the lighting, the air

conditioning, the windows, the masonry, the sidewalks we need to figure out something. And we could do an energy savings, maybe get a grant. Or we could, maybe this committee could get some numbers together. We could probably just do bid like on the windows, tuck pointing and probably come out a little cheaper. We're also gonna need to replace the heat pumps over in the other building across the street. That could run anywhere from three hundred fifty to half a million dollars ($350,000.00-$500,000.00). To me it might be a good thing just to get both buildings up in shape, do a bond issue, and maybe have that retired by the time we need to build onto the jail, if we've got a jail committee going. So it's just something I'd like to see us just work on next year, if you guys would be willing, a couple of you sit on a committee. And if you think well it's not needed, not important, figure out what needs to be done the worst, and we'll go at it that way. But I think if we had a committee do some studies we could put a plan together. Got any questions about that?

Gary Meyer: I think it needs, something needs to be done.

Marlin Weisheit: Nothing, we've gotta do something.

Gary Meyer: I agree.

Marlin Weisheit: We can't just keep ignoring the problem. We do have a new roof on it. We've rebuilt the elevator. We did get a sump pump now here about two (2) months ago which keeps the water out of that pit. So that elevator don't rust out, the bottom fall out of it again like it did here, you know that's like seventy thousand dollars ($70,000.00). It was still getting water in it. But we got the elevator inspector to allow us to put a sump pump in there. I think we might have spent two thousand dollars ($2,000.00). And that should take care of the moisture problem in there. So that'll pay off in time. Charlie, the mayor, Charlie Wyatt over here, he's working with Vectren getting' real close and it's, I'm very encouraged. You know the utility poles on the north side of the square here they just look horrible with all the electric and stuff. He's been working with Vectren. They're getting ready to redo the contract with Vectren here for the City. There's a good chance they're going to bury those for us. And we've been working on that for about six (6) months. But I'd be nice to get all the utilities on the north side of the square buried. And then of course we're gonna get the sidewalks redone outside, inside the square. They've come an asked us to consider maybe that retaining wall around replacing that or repairing that. So that's something this committee could work on and make some recommendations as well. Just some food for thought. But if we could do that all on one (1) bond issue and just, just get it done and move on. So, any questions? That's about all I got, just wanted to fill you in on that. I thought maybe in January after the dust settles at the end of the year here, why don't we get a committee together and...

Gary Meyer: Good idea.

Marlin Weisheit: Yeah, maybe one (1) of the new Commissioners, we'll throw him under the bus or one (1) of them. Be a good project for them.

Gary Meyer: Yeah.

Paul Rudolph: Commissioner, I do have one (1) question.

Marlin Weisheit: Okay.

Paul Rudolph: Totally unrelated matter. So as you are well aware, there's been a fair amount construction on Oak Grove, Ohio Township...

Marlin Weisheit: Uh huh.

Paul Rudolph: Over the past year. One (1) question I've gotten from a few constituents is, so the way it works is that you know you have the Lloyd and directly north of the Lloyd you have Vann Road. And then directly north of that you have an entrance to Old Hickory and then directly north of that you have Oak Grove. One of the things that's just been a little odd is that there was a sign saying, 'road closed ahead,' you know you can't go any farther, that was placed on, going north bound right directly after Vann Road. Which meant you had a ton of people in Old Hickory, probably the biggest subdivision in Warrick County having to go and enter the oncoming traffic to go around that sign to enter Old Hickory. So to go through Vann, they go around that and etc. Additionally then construction was done on Oak Grove and they never moved that sign away, so people were still doing it and obviously I consider that a potential hazard when you have people exiting the road. And then a second thing that just came up with the same project and I just wanted to share this with you, is that apparently now Oak Grove looks like it's complete, and it's been complete for a week or two (2). And I know for a fact that there are cars driving from Vanderburgh County through Oak Grove again around those signs that say, 'road construction.' There isn't any construction going on at the present time. And they're going all the way to Castle.

Marlin Weisheit: Yeah.

Paul Rudolph: So it just around the signs...

Marlin Weisheit: People will drive around them.

Paul Rudolph: And all that kind of stuff, and it's obviously hazards that if, if there's construction work, obviously, really don't let them, like the first one (1) I told you about. I probably would have preferred moving the sign a little north so we could get into Old Hickory without having to go in oncoming traffic, but on the other one (1) I'm not really sure what's going on, but I just wanted to let you know that that's current.

Marlin Weisheit: We get a lot of complaints, and I've heard Bobby answer a lot of these complaints and seen the emails. The bottom line is it hasn't been released by the contractor yet. And there's still some issues, even though that road looks like it's done. Had complaints here a while back cause they was five (5) people out there, nobody doing anything but five (5) people out there working. Well they're doing their check list. They're doing the check points. And evidently they're some concerns about the pavement. It hasn't been approved yet, so that's why they haven't opened it cause the State comes in you know it's eighty percent (80%) Federally funded and it all has to meet certain specs. Well they're having problems getting everything approved. And you know how it is when you've got inspectors coming in. So that's probably what's going on. It looks like it's done, people's drivin' on it, but it hasn't been released to us yet because it's still under the contractor's obligation to get these little things fixed.

Marlin Weisheit: So, yeah, people, I had a guy call and he was just furious because he, he was on a moped, he says he's lived here thirty (30) years, I can't understand why they haven't opened this road, taken the sign down. There's six (6) people down there working, they're not doing nothin'. Well, Bobby checked, they was doing the punch list. These were engineers and inspectors down there trying to figure out the problems they have to fix to get the money released, so yeah. But that's what's going on in my opinion.

Paul Rudolph: Okay.

Marlin Weisheit: Hopefully real close, it's about to be open, then it, it has been a hassle for the people that live down there. But it will be nice when (inaudible).

Paul Rudolph: Looks like it's gonna be nice.

Marlin Weisheit: It's gonna be very nice. Thank you.

Gary Meyer: Okay, thank you. Anybody else in the audience have anything to address? Any Council member? I'm sorry.

Greg Richmond: Can I make a motion to put on our January Agenda to form a committee...

Gary Meyer: For?

Krystal Powless: Courthouse.

Greg Richmond: Courthouse renovation, sorry.

Gary Meyer: Okay, sure. Is that a motion?

Greg Richmond: Yeah.

Brad Overton: Second.

Gary Meyer: A motion has been made by Greg and seconded by Brad for the January meeting to establish our representatives Courthouse Committee. All those in favor? Opposed? Motion carried five, zero (5-0). Anybody else have anything?

David Hachmeister: One thing I would recommend for all of us, as far as our appointments come due, get out and beat the bushes and look for people that would be qualified to do the job. And make sure they'll attend the meetings.

Gary Meyer: Very interesting...good point.

Paul Rudolph: I'd just like to comment on the election coming up. It seems to be a rather decisive election, even more than usual. I just would like to suggest that next week it will be over and we need to come together again as a County.

Gary Meyer: I think we will. This County is pretty good about that. I have one (1) thing to bring up, from the emails I've gotten this week. I don't know whose fault this is, and I'm not putting fault. I'd like to know where the money's coming from. It has to do with late fees, paying claims late, if we get charged a late fee, I'd like to know where that money for the late fee is coming from. I don't think that taxpayers wanna pay a late fee for any kind of claims. And I don't know if it's your department or where it's coming from.

Debbie Stevens: I think I can address some things for you. Debbie Stevens, Warrick County Auditor. As far as I know, we've not paid late fees. If a late fee comes on, say a credit card bill, because of the maybe some short terms as far as the payment from the day they get it. They have to do the claim, gets over to us, we have to process the claim. Sometimes there are corrections involved but we're, we're mindful of the claims that come to us and they have a due date. And we get those out as quickly as possible. But in every case that I know of, that I'm aware of and maybe someone else said they did pay a late claim. I know of no late claims that we've paid to date. We work with our vendors, we explain the situation. Right now we're working with Vectren to try to get them to extend our terms or somehow exempt us from late fees. We have one (1) department in the County that is exempted from late fees. It'll show up on their bill, and even if the check gets to them late, they just deduct that late fee from the next invoice.

Gary Meyer: Where would the money come from if we paid a late fee? That was my...

Debbie Stevens: Um...

Gary Meyer: That would be my concern.

Debbie Stevens: Well...

Gary Meyer: I don't think the taxpayers wanna pay late fees. That's my point.

Debbie Stevens: No, I, I wouldn't want them to either.

Gary Meyer: So say if we didn't...

Debbie Stevens: So we really do work with the vendors to get those reversed, get them taken off...

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Debbie Stevens: We explain you know that sometimes a ten (10) day window from the time they get the bill in their department, get the claim processed, get it to us, and then we get it processed and then you add mail time to that, in the case of Vectren, those little coupons, we could do it, we could do ACH payments that would speed it up, yes, but we've has some issues with some ACH payment where by not having the coupons, the little receipts that go with those, it didn't get credited properly. So then it caused more problems trying to make sure that the money that we sent was applied to

the correct account, because we have multiple accounts for Vectren, as an example. Or some of our credit cards as well.

Gary Meyer: Okay, I was just...

Debbie Stevens: No it hasn't come up. If it, well in the case of the Vectren that we're working with right now, currently...

Gary Meyer: That's the one I saw in the email.

Debbie Stevens: What I instructed them to do was to do was just pay the total bill so then there's not this amount hanging over the bin, I guess causing a disconnect notice, or it carries over then to the next bill. Pay the whole bill and then they'll credit back the, the late fee amount.

Gary Meyer: Well now wait a minute, that's interesting. So you're telling them to go ahead and pay the bill and hope, keep your fingers crossed that they'll deduct it?

Debbie Stevens: No, it's not keep your fingers crossed. We feel sure based on conversations we've already had with Vectren. It was just that the representative we were working with at the time said that was over their limit to be able to reverse the charge and then I had other requests as well, like trying to get the terms extended, or even to investigate if it's possible to set us up as a government entity that would not incur a late fee.

Greg Richmond: Could you please forward me an email when you get this resolved? I would like to know what it is.

Debbie Stevens: Yes.

Greg Richmond: Cause what concerns me is disconnect notice would be very embarrassing, if our jail got disconnected.

Debbie Stevens: Yeah, well there wasn't, it wasn't going to happen because the next bill was going to be paid even if they short paid it without the late fee, it would have not been disconnected, and that's what they said. The date for the disconnect was after the date that they would have gotten the check for the current claim that we had in our office. So that wasn't really even a risk. But I understand, it doesn't look good and you don't, you don't want to cause something like that to potentially happen. So we are working with Vectren to try to get some things in place to just...

Gary Meyer: Okay, I hope we do get that worked out.

Paul Rudolph: I think, Gary, you did ask a question. Who would, who pays the late fees, right? If we do have them?

Gary Meyer: That's, that's...

Paul Rudolph: And if we're, and if we're paying them now, let's, it's, it's, it's sort of a moot point for right now, but I would say going forward my answer would be, it's be the department that's responsible for the payment being late. If a claim wasn't submitted, then the, so if the Assessor's Office doesn't submit the claim, they've gotta pay it out of their budget. If the, if they...

Gary Meyer: No that, no that's my problem though. Paying it out of their budget is still taxpayer money. I don't think the taxpayers should have to pay late fees, whoever's fault it is.

Greg Richmond: There's court cases where, you referred me that court case where I believe the person involved in that department paid out of their personal account, is that correct?

Cliff Whitehead: Yeah, it declares a State Board of Accounts Opinion a couple times. I just highlighted in three (3) and then one (1) to the Council where it was the employee whose fault it was, not the department because as President Meyer said, the State Board of Accounts, not as a burden to be borne by the taxpayer but by the individual in a personal capacity caused the late fee to occur. So the State Board of Accounts has allowed and has charged individuals to pay and not departments. Not saying that happens in every case but I found quite a few cases where that did occur.

Debbie Stevens: That's good to know.

Gary Meyer: I'd like to see us get that straightened out so we can go on, not have to worry about it.

Debbie Stevens: I agree.

Gary Meyer: Okay.

Paul Rudolph: I'm not sure I'd want to do it on a first offense but maybe on a second. But we'll come to that road when we cross it.

Gary Meyer: Yeah we haven't had that, I just wanting to know, okay, thank you.

Debbie Stevens: Alright, thank you.

Gary Meyer: Anybody else have anything? Our next meeting will be December the 3rd,

Krystal Powless: 1st.

Gary Meyer: 1st? Is it the 1st?

Krystal Powless: I think it's the 1st. Yes, it's the 1st.

Gary Meyer: 1st? December 1st. Okay. Meeting's adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL

Gary Meyer, D.D.S., President

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Paul Rudolph

ATTEST:

Deborah K. Stevens, Auditor
Warrick County, IN

Minutes transcribed by Kristine Georges

Sec. 1 Be it ordained (resolved) by the Warrick County Council, Warrick County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the taxing unit the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the proposed specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

FUND	APPROPRIATION NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT REQUIRED
Jail	1000-114-4311.00	Inmate Medical	$25,000.00	25,000
Total Jail			$25,000.00	
Pre-Trial Diversion	2504-000-4314.00	Contractual	$9,000.00	Table
Total Pre-Trial Diversion			$9,000.00	
ILHDTA	1206-000-4315.00	Mosquito Dist.	$2,398.97	2,398.97
Total ILHDTA			$2,398.97	2,398.97
Health	1159-000-4220-00	Vaxcare	$1,155.00	1,155
	1159-000-4225.00	Animal Control	$1,232.00	1,232
Total Health			$2,387.00	2,387
Superior Court I	1000-111-4189.00	Pauper Documents	$20,000.00	20,000
	1000-111-4120.10	Case Manager DD/DC	$1,567.00	1,567
	1000-111-4392.00	Law Books	$5,000.00	5,000
Total Superior Court I			$26,567.00	26,567
Budget Reduction				
Drug Court	4921-000-4173.00	Health Insurance	- $6,000.00	-6,000
	4921-000-4113.00	Case Manager	- $7,903.00	-7,903
Total Reduction Drug Court			-$13,903.00	-13,903
Highway	1176-101-4113.00	Assistant Superintendent	$924.23	924.23
	1176-101-4115.50	Lead Foreman	$96.25	96.25
Total Health			$1,020.48	1,020.48

Taxpayers appearing in the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The Board will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action.

Adopted this 3 day of Nov, 2016

AYE	NAY

ATTEST: Deborah Stevens
Auditor Warrick County