

Kosciusko County Council

January 9, 2020

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday January 9, 2020 at 7:00p.m. in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Sue Ann Mitchell, President
Jon Garber, Vice-President
Kimberly Cates
Doug Heinisch-ABSENT

Joni Truex
Ernie Wiggins-ABSENT
Mike Long
Michelle Puckett, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by 2019 Council President, Sue Ann Mitchell.

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTION OF 2020 OFFICERS:

Mitchell requested nominations for 2020 officers. While Mitchell expressed appreciation for support as she served as President, she requested someone else fill the position going forward.

MOTION: Mike Long
SECOND: Kimberly Cates
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the election of 2020 officers as follows:
President- Jon Garber
Vice President-Ernie Wiggins

Jon Garber opened the meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 12, 2019

MEETING:

MOTION: Mike Long
SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the minutes for the December 12, 2019 meeting as presented.

IN THE MATTER OF SAMHSA DRUG TREATMENT GRANT REQUEST:

Maggie Brauer, Community Corrections, presented a grant request in the amount of \$250,000 for the expansion of treatment services available to individuals participating in the drug court program, which currently consists of 25 active participants. Assistance with rent, transportation, healthcare including vaccinations for diseases typically seen with drug use, as well as educational or vocational training are some of things, Brauer stated, would be funded by the grant.

Brauer concluded, stating the grant is reimbursable, not advanced as previously thought.

MOTION: Mike Long
SECOND: Kimberly Cates
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the SAMHSA drug treatment grant in the amount of \$250,000 as presented.

IN THE MATTER OF SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS-CIRCUIT/SUPERIOR I & IV:

Judge David Cates requested salary ordinance amendments for 1000-11300-000-0043 Secretary and 1000-10269-000-0043 Bailiff, stating another long-term secretary has retired and a bailiff position was added at the start of 2020.

MOTION: Mike Long
SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell
AYES: 4 NAYES: 0
Kimberly Cates abstained
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve salary ordinance amendments for 1000-11300-000-0043 Secretary and 1000-10269-000-0043 Bailiff.

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER REQUESTS – CIRCUIT COURT:

Judge David Cates requested transfers of \$10,000 from Court Ordered Attorney 1000-31060-000-043 to Public Defender Services 1000-31088-000-043 and \$5,000 from Court Ordered Services 1000-31017-000-043 to Public Defender Services 1000-31088-000-043.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell
SECOND: Mike Long
AYES: 4 NAYES: 0
Kimberly Cates abstained
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the transfers of \$10,000 from Court Ordered Attorney 1000-31060-000-043 to Public Defender Services 1000-31088-000-043 and \$5,000 from Court Ordered Services 1000-31017-000-043 to Public Defender Services 1000-31088-000-043.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST- SUPERIOR II:

Judge Sutton requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$1,651 for 9125-31032-000-0000 Court Interpreter, stating the purpose of the request is to utilize grant funds received several years ago before spending from other funds.

MOTION: Joni Truex
SECOND: Kimberly Cates
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$1,651 for 9125-31032-000-0000 Court Interpreter.

IN THE MATTER OF SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-PROSECUTOR:

Dan Hampton, Prosecutor, requested a salary ordinance amendment for 8897-11301-000-0000 Part-Time Case Worker, stating the purpose of the request is to continue in 2020 what was approved in 2019.

MOTION: Joni Truex
SECOND: Mike Long
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve salary ordinance amendment for 1000-11300-000-0043 Part-Time Case Worker.

IN THE MATTER OF CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER GRANT REQUEST- PROSECUTOR:

Dan Hampton, Prosecutor, requested approval to apply for three local grants to support the start-up of a child advocacy center, which Hampton stated is desperately needed within the community. Hampton concluded, stating the grant application submitted to the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, as previously approved by Council, was denied.

MOTION: Mike Long
SECOND: Kimberly Cates
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the request to apply for grants through Dekko Foundation in the amount of \$150,000, KREMC in the amount of \$5,000 and Zimmer Biomet Foundation in the amount of \$11,000 as presented, as presented, to support the start-up of a child advocacy center.

IN THE MATTER OF SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS-SHERIFF:

Shane Bucher, Sheriff's Office, requested the following salary ordinance amendments:

- 1000-10109-000-0019 Patrolman \$50,011
- 1000-10112-000-0019 Captain \$64,557
- 1000-10088-000-0019 Detective/Sergeant \$58,886
- 1000-10093-000-0019 Detective/Sergeant \$58,886
- 1000-10101-000-0019 Detective/Sergeant \$58,886

There was a brief discussion regarding available funds and Council requested the Sheriff's Office transfer the necessary money to fund each of the positions that the salary ordinance was approved for by June 1, 2020 prior to the 2021 budget process since there was not enough money in those accounts to fund the salary ordinance request.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell
SECOND: Mike Long

TO: Approve salary ordinance amendments

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

for:
1000-10109-000-0019
Patrolman \$50,011
1000-10112-000-0019
Captain \$64,557
1000-10088-000-0019
Detective/Sergeant \$58,886
1000-10093-000-0019
Detective/Sergeant \$58,886
1000-10101-000-0019
Detective/Sergeant \$58,886
with the agreement the Sheriff's Office transfer
the necessary money to fund each of the
positions that the salary ordinance was
approved for by June 1, 2020.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST- SHERIFF:

Shane Bucher, Sheriff's Office, requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$50,011 for 1000-10109-000-0019 Patrolman, stating the position will be the new animal control officer.

MOTION: Kimberly Cates
SECOND: Mike Long
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$50,011 for 1000-10109-000-0019 Patrolman.

IN THE MATTER OF 2020 JCAP SUPPORT GRANT REQUEST:

Courtney Jenkins, JCAP, requested approval to apply for \$100,000 in grant funds through the K21 Foundation. Since the current grant, Jenkins stated, only allows either male groups or female groups to go through the program at one time, additional funding would support the ability to have male and female groups occurring during the same time periods. In addition, Jenkins stated the additional funding would be used, as payer of last resort, to support treatment services following participants' release from the jail.

MOTION: Mike Long
SECOND: Joni Truex
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the request to apply for the 2020 JCAP Support Grant in the amount of \$100,000 through the K21 Foundation.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS-JCAP & JCAP-RSAT:

Courtney Jenkins requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$26,020 for JCAP multiple accounts, stating this is the remaining balance of the 2019 grant, which the grant agency has given permission to spend even though the end of the grant period has passed.

MOTION: Kimberly Cates
SECOND: Mike Long
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the additional appropriation in the amount of \$26,020 for JCAP multiple accounts as presented.

Jenkins also requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$114,861 for JCAP-RSAT multiple accounts. Upon Council's request for clarification, Jenkins stated Bowen Center and JCAP Program Director, Shane Coney, will be paid as contractors and classes provided though the Extension office, for example, will be paid as consultants. Upon Council's request for more information, the matter was tabled.

MOTION: Joni Truex
SECOND: Mike Long
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Table the request for additional appropriation in the amount of \$114,861 for JCAP-RSAT multiple accounts until additional information is provided, including a breakdown of contracts and consultants.

IN THE MATTER OF SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS-HEALTH:

Bob Weaver, Health Department Administrator, requested salary ordinance amendments for 4014-11138-000-0000 Community Health Worker, 1168-11350-000-0000 Part-Time Nurse Practitioner and 1168-11350-000-0000 Part-Time Public Health Nurse, stating since the halt of prenatal program funding through the State Department of Health, he would like to continue the program, using funds available through these requests.

MOTION: Mike Long
SECOND: Joni Truex
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED
TO: Approve salary ordinance amendments for 4014-11138-000-0000 Community Health Worker, 1168-11350-000-0000 Part-Time Nurse Practitioner and 1168-11350-000-0000 Part-Time Public Health Nurse.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST-HEALTH:

Bob Weaver requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$37,119 for 4014-11138-000-0000 Community Health Worker.

MOTION: Joni Truex
SECOND: Mike Long
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED
TO: Approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$37,119 for 4014-11138-000-0000 Community Health Worker.

IN THE MATTER OF 2020 BUDGET REDUCTION ORDINANCE-COMMISSIONERS:

Marsha McSherry, County Administrator, presented a budget reduction ordinance in the amount of \$52,107, stating this reduction will allow the Sheriff’s Office to request an additional appropriation for the animal control officer.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell
SECOND: Joni Truex
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED
TO: Approve the budget reduction ordinance in the amount of \$52,107.

IN THE MATTER OF CHILLER COMPRESSORS-JUSTICE BUILDING:

As an update, Marsha McSherry, County Administrator, stated 2 chiller compressors have gone bad and will need to be replaced in the near future. McSherry concluded, stating estimates are being obtained and are expected at approximately \$50,000 each. McSherry concluded, stating of the 4 original chillers, these are the 2nd and 3rd to be replaced, with the 4th expected to also need replacement in the future.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS-FIRE DISTRICT

2:
Michelle Puckett, County Auditor, presented the following additional appropriation requests:

Fire District 2 Infrastructure:		
\$10,000	9165-33015-000-0000	Training Center Maintenance
\$10,000	9165-33023-000-0000	Property Maintenance
Fire District 2 Regional Public Safety:		
\$3,500	9164-21009-000-0000	Books
\$5,437	9164-31045-000-0000	Disposables Training
\$5,000	9164-33014-000-0000	Grant Management Agent Fee
\$2,000	9164-33016-000-0000	Propane
\$5,000	9164-33025-000-0000	District Live Fire Training
\$9,223	9164-33031-000-0000	Live Instructor Hours
\$9,223	9164-34001-000-0000	Property Liability Insurance

Puckett stated the request is to carry remaining funds from 2019 forward.

MOTION: Kimberly Cates
SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
TO: Approve the additional appropriations for Fire District 2 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF 2020 KCCRVC INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT:

Michelle Puckett, County Auditor, presented the 2020 KCCRVC Inter-local agreement, stating the agreement, which is presented annually for approval, allows the Auditor to act as the Controller for the KCCRVC.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell

TO: Approve the 2020 KCCRVC Inter-local Agreement as presented.

SECOND: Kimberly Cates

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF ENCUMBERING:

Michelle Puckett, County Auditor, presented an encumbering report for Council's approval, from December 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, stating only one item was encumbered in the amount of \$3,924.36.

MOTION: Mike Long

TO: Approve the encumbering report from December 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$3,924.36.

SECOND: Kimberly Cates

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF 2020 BUDGET REDUCTION ORDINANCE-HIGHWAY:

Steve Moriarty, County Highway Superintendent, presented a budget reduction ordinance in the amount of \$1,600,000.

MOTION: Mike Long

TO: Approve the budget reduction ordinance in the amount of \$1,600,000.

SECOND: Joni Truex

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION-HIGHWAY:

Steve Moriarty, County Highway Superintendent, requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$1,600,000 for multiple accounts.

MOTION: Joni Truex

TO: Approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$1,600,000 for multiple accounts as presented.

SECOND: Mike Long

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF KEDCo UPDATE:

Alan Tio, KEDCo CEO, came before Council with an update on the Syracuse road project, stating the Commissioners recently committed the County's portion of \$5,000 for research to support some upgrades and some investments in order to support the growth of the Pollywood campus. With the Town of Syracuse matching the funds for the engineering portion of the project, Tio stated it is encouraging to see the willingness of the town and the county working together for the greater good of the community.

In addition, Tio gave a brief overview of the broadband project currently underway, stating an informal discussion is planned for January 22, 2020 at 6:30 at the Community Foundation in order to discuss some options and determine the best strategy going forward.

IN THE MATTER OF TIPPY/CHAPMAN REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS:

Chad Miner, County Attorney and Ken Jones, Project Engineer, Jones Petrie Rafinski, came before Council to discuss appointment recommendations as mandated by state statute upon the creation of a sewer district. Miner stated some of the township appointments have been made and Jones gave a brief overview of the process, once the rest of the appointments are made.

Following a brief discussion, Council agreed to continue to collect the names of potential candidates, encouraging participation of Chapman Lake residents. A committee consisting of

council members Mitchell (chairman), Heinisch and Truex was formed to review the matter and plan to present their recommendations at the February Council meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF FURTHER BUSINESS:

- Mike Long presented a request to review the scheduled start time of the 2020 Council meetings, stating he would like to see the meeting time moved up to conform more with county employees' schedules, lessening the length of their work days.

In the absence of a couple members, the matter was tabled, for further discussion at the February meeting.

- Kimberly Cates noted the date for the next community opioid awareness presentation is set for January 15, 2020 at 6:00pm at Center Lake.

Committee Updates:

Sue Ann Mitchell

- Lakeland Regional Sewer District
 - Only 9 members are left that still need to connect
- Tower Meeting
 - Attended
- JDAI Meeting
 - They are close to having a template, which will enable them to assign juvenile offenders to the correct programs in an effort to avoid the need for incarceration
- Wage Committee Meeting
 - Attended

Kimberly Cates

- Will be attending the Counties Legislative Committee Meeting regarding Bill projections and what things may affect the county, anticipates information regarding the MVH options

Mike Long

- Solid Waste
 - Certain plastics will no longer be accepted in 2020, information is planned to be released to the media to update public awareness

Joni Truex

- Redevelopment
 - A request to use TIF dollars to complete Phase 2 of the Louis Dreyfus project will be presented to Council in February
- Emergency Management Advisory Meeting
 - Attended meeting, where a discussion was held on strategic planning

Jon Garber

- Tower Meeting
 - Lots of information was presented as potential means of bringing broadband into the county
- Bowen Center
 - A presentation was given highlighting the Syracuse office and what programs they have available to the community
 - Mobile devices were distributed to board members in the event any member is unable to physically attend the meeting, they can participate through the mobile device
 - Made some changes to by-laws, updating the attendance policy
 - The Bowen health building, projected to house a nurse practitioner, is under construction and will be available for clients who have difficulty getting in to see their family doctor

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Kosciusko County Council
February 13, 2020

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday February 13, 2020 at 7:00p.m. in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Jon Garber, President-Absent
Ernie Wiggins, Vice-President
Kimberly Cates
Mike Long-Absent

Doug Heinisch
Joni Truex
Sue Ann Mitchell
Michelle Puckett, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by Ernie Wiggins.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 9, 2020 MEETING:

MOTION: Kimberly Cates

TO: Approve the minutes for the January 9, 2020 meeting as presented.

SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell

AYES: 3 NAYES: 0

Doug Heinisch and Ernie Wiggins abstained, as they were not present at the January 9, 2020 meeting.

MOTION DID NOT PASS and the matter was tabled until the March meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF BELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT:

Stephen Boggs presented a request to re-appoint Sandi Schaeffer to the Bell Memorial Library Board, stating at the end of this term, Schaeffer will have served 16 years.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell

TO: Approve the appointment of Sandi Schaeffer to the Bell Memorial Library Board.

SECOND: Joni Truex

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF GIFT VII UPDATE-COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:

Suzie Light and Stephanie Overbey, Community Foundation, came before the Commissioners. Light presented an overview of the Lilly Endowment's GIFT (Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow) grant programs, stating while workforce development and childcare, as well as early education, have previously been established as funding priorities, more recent studies within 11 of our local communities have identified a need and desire for planning for things such as playgrounds, trails, parks, libraries, storm shelters and community amenities. Research indicates, Light continued, that individual community comprehensive planning, which is estimated at a cost of over \$450,000, would result in siloed plans that are not informed by what their neighbors are planning.

What is being proposed, Light continued, is unified comprehensive planning, to encompass the needs of the entire county while creating unique individual plans for each participating community and the county with a shared vision and common threads in a comprehensive manner. The projected cost is \$264,000, which Light explained could come from 3 funding sources:

- 1) \$164,000 from the Community Foundation, using Lilly Endowment grant funds
- 2) \$50,000 from the county, which the County Commissioners have agreed to contribute
- 3) \$50,000 from a private foundation, where application, contingent on the county's contribution, is pending

The towns who participate are being asked to commit personnel for the 18-month process and to host convening of their own community members as required by state statute.

Light concluded, stating the Community Foundation is requesting a letter of support from the Council, supporting the request to Lilly Endowment for community countywide comprehensive planning.

MOTION: Joni Truex

TO: Approve the support of the project by

SECOND: Kimberly Cates means of a letter of support, which the Auditor
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 will distribute when it has been fully executed.
MOTION CARRIED

Upon Council's request for additional information regarding MACOG's participation, Overbey stated MACOG will serve as the grant administrator for the project, and will therefore submit a request for consultants. A committee, consisting of two representatives from each jurisdiction participating in the project, Overbey concluded, will select the consultant.

IN THE MATTER OF RADIO COMMUNICATION TOWER UPDATE:

Cary Groninger, County Commissioner, gave an update on the radio communication tower project, which included the following:

- Pyramid Consulting has given an outline of what the project might look like
- EDIT funds, for preliminary engineering, would not be needed until 2021
- TIF funds will be available along with many grant opportunities
- Wayne Township Firefighters Association/City of Warsaw is willing to apply for a firefighters grant, which is currently open for application for up to \$1,000,000, provided the County commits to actively pursuing the project
- The City of Warsaw has confirmed full support of the project, and is willing to contribute \$500,000 toward the project
- Many other opportunities for funding are being pursued
- The 3 main towers would provide the possibility of expanding broadband into rural areas
- A broadband assessment is being done to help determine the locations of the towers
- The projected project cost of \$3,700,000 would include the 3 major towers along with the mega sites to properly support uninterrupted service under any weather conditions
- It is anticipated that rental contracts with cell phone service providers will assist with the maintenance and upkeep of the towers

MOTION: Kimberly Cates TO: Approve moving forward with the grant
SECOND: Joni Truex application through the Wayne Township
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 Firefighters Association/City of Warsaw.
MOTION CARRIED

There was a brief discussion with Mike Wilson, Warsaw-Wayne Fire Territory, regarding the requirements to move forward. Wilson stated a memorandum of agreement has been established with the Board of Works, approved by the Fire Territory Board, and the grant will be submitted with the help of Ed Rock, on behalf of the Warsaw-Wayne Fire Territory through the City of Warsaw. Wilson concluded, stating the City of Warsaw has included \$300,000 in this year's budget and plans to include \$200,000 in next year's budget for the project.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT-SHERIFF:

Kyle Dukes, County Sheriff, requested an appropriation adjustment in the amount of \$26,500 for 1000-46001-000-0019 Motor Vehicles, stating insurance reimbursement for a vehicle damaged during a pursuit was received.

MOTION: Joni Truex TO: Approve the appropriation adjustment in
SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell the amount of \$26,500 for 1000-46001-000-
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 0019 Motor Vehicles.
MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSARY RESOLUTION-SHERIFF:

Kyle Dukes, County Sheriff, presented a resolution for approval, to include an additional 20 items, which Dukes stated, the Sheriff is allowed to spend commissary funds on in accordance with state statute, with the assurance that all county policies will be followed.

Clarification was made by Sue Ann Mitchell, following previous discussion, that items 4 and 20 should include the words "excluding wages".

MOTION: Joni Truex TO: Approve the commissary resolution, as
SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell presented, with the addition of the words
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 "excluding wages" to items 4 and 20.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-02-13-001 (2020020592)

As recorded in the office of the Kosciusko County Recorder.

IN THE MATTER OF 2019 COMMISSARY REPORT-SHERIFF:

Kyle Dukes, County Sheriff, presented the 2019 commissary report, stating commissary funds were used as much as possible, with the purchase of 3 vehicles, and significant training expenses included.

Sue Ann Mitchell stated the commissary funds are audited by the State Board of Accounts on an annual basis.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell

TO: Approve the 2019 Commissary Report as presented.

SECOND: Kimberly Cates

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS – JCAP RSAT GRANT:

Kyle Dukes, County Sheriff, and Courtney Jenkins, JCAP program coordinator, presented requests for the following additional appropriations:

\$10,661.00	8250-21031-000-0000	Supplies
\$97,400.00	8250-31001-000-0000	Contractors
\$6,800.00	8250-31021-000-0000	Consultants

Jenkins reminded the Council they had tabled the last request presented because it had included a line item for Sergeant Coney, which has since been reallocated to support additional health services. Jenkins concluded, stating the additional funding in mental health will be important since the program will soon support both a men's group and a women's group going on at the same time.

MOTION: Joni Truex

TO: Approve the additional appropriations in the amounts of \$10,661.00 8250-21031-000-0000 Supplies, \$97,400.00 8250-31001-000-0000 Contractors, and \$6,800.00 8250-31021-000-0000 Consultants.

SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST-KCCVRC:

Jo Paczkowski, KCCVRC, presented a request for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$100,000, stating a commitment of funds was made in May of 2018 to the Syracuse-Wawasee trail committee in support of the start of a new phase of trails.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell

TO: Approve the request for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$100,000.

SECOND: Doug Heinisch

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION DREYFUS TIF:

Joni Truex, on behalf of the Redevelopment Commission, presented a request for an additional appropriation, in the amount of \$37,123 for 4400-41236-000-0000 Infrastructure and Major Improvements, stating now that Phase I of the Louis Dreyfus TIF project has been completed, Phase II, which includes additional flooding, has been recommended by the Redevelopment Commission.

Mike Kissinger, County Surveyor, stated Phase III of the project will be completely funded by a land owner because it does not involve Louis Dreyfus.

MOTION: Joni Truex

TO: Approve the additional appropriation in the amount of \$37,123 for 4400-41236-000-0000 Infrastructure and Major Improvements.

SECOND: Kimberly Cates

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST-SURVEYOR:

Mike Kissinger, County Surveyor, presented a request for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$6,500 for 1202-22003-000-0000 Gas-Motor Oil, stating the vehicle has been purchased for section-corner work but a line item for gas and oil was overlooked at budget time.

MOTION: Joni Truex
SECOND: Sue Ann Mitchell
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the request for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$6,500 for 1202-22003-000-0000 Gas-Motor Oil.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST- COMMUNITY CROSSING GRANT-HIGHWAY:

Steve Moriarty, County Highway Superintendent, presented a request for additional appropriation in the amount of \$232,090 for 1170-31128-000-0000 CR 100 Des#1901134, stating the requested funds will take care of the final payment on the project at CR 1000W between CR 700S and CR 1000S, which is now complete.

MOTION: Joni Truex
SECOND: Kimberly Cates
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$232,090 for 1170-31128-000-0000 CR 100 Des#1901134.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION-EMA:

Ed Rock, Emergency Management Director, presented an additional appropriation request in the amount of \$10,000 for 8168-36065-000-0000 Planning & Training, stating the grant, which has been awarded, will be shared between hazardous materials education and the annual required exercises.

MOTION: Joni Truex
SECOND: Doug Heinisch
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$10,000 for 8168-36065-000-0000 Planning & Training.

IN THE MATTER OF KCODE UPDATE:

Nicole Wallick, KCode Coordinator, reminded the Council of a request made during the 2020 budget process to provide more information on the life skills programs offered through the Kosciusko Cares organization and introduced coordinators Jackie Thornsby and Melanie Wilhite.

Thornsby stated Kosciusko Cares is a youth services organization focused on prevention by using evidence-based programs by teaching life skills to enable our youth. Programs, Thornsby continued, are available within the county's school system from grades 3 through high school on how to stand up to peer pressure, by teaching social and emotional self-esteem strategies, decision making skills and assertiveness. In addition, Al's Pals is a puppet-based teaching program aimed at children from age 3 through 1st grade.

Wilhite stated Rise Up is a program for at risk teens that deals with feelings, anger management, peer pressure, and substance abuse, currently partnering with Teen Court. In addition, Strengthening Families, is a program offered which focuses on strengthening family support and resolution to family conflict.

IN THE MATTER OF TIPPY/CHAPMAN REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS:

Sue Ann Mitchell stated the committee, including Doug Heinisch, Joni Truex and herself, interviewed seven candidates, upon which selected and recommend Kim Hathaway to represent Chapman Lake and Jeff Thornburgh to represent Tippecanoe Lake.

MOTION: Sue Ann Mitchell
SECOND: Joni Truex
AYES: 5 NAYES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

TO: Approve the appointments of Kim Hathaway and Jeff Thornburgh to the Tippy/Chapman Regional Sewer District.

IN THE MATTER OF L.I.T.E. IN KCJ PRESENTATION:

Nicole Wallick stated she was asked by Tammy Cotton, program director, to relay the following information on her behalf:

The goal is for the Christ-centered program, aimed at helping incarcerated individuals make a successful transition into the community, to begin within the jail by April 1st, providing spiritual, educational and vocational services such as AA, NA, GED, parenting, and life skills.

In response to Cates' inquiry regarding program funding, Wallick obtained information from various reports online, and stated that L.I.T.E. is a non-profit organization, which will not use taxpayer dollars, but will rely on the community for finances, leadership and volunteers and will be available to anyone incarcerated in the county jail, regardless of any program participation.

IN THE MATTER OF 2020 MEETING TIMES:

In the absence of Mike Long, this matter was tabled until a later date.

Committee Updates:

Kimberly Cates

- CASA Annual Meeting
 - Volunteers were recognized for their service
- JCAP
 - Attended the graduation
- Grace College
 - Attended the agriculture trade meeting
- Syracuse Wawasee Chamber of Commerce
 - Attended the annual dinner
 - Alan Tio, KEDCo, gave a presentation
- Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce
 - Attended the dinner
 - Michelle Puckett, County Auditor, was awarded the 2019 Government Excellence Award
- Soil & Water
 - Attended the annual breakfast
- AIC Legislative Meeting
 - Attended
- Presentation of the secretary of Indiana Department of Agriculture at Creighton Brothers
 - Discussed how attractive our area is, when considering the AgriNovus Agribioscience projects
 - Discussed Indiana being a very non-connected broadband state

Sue Ann Mitchell

- Tower Meetings
 - Attended several
- Broadband Meeting
 - 2 towns, fire departments and several schools were represented
 - The schools are very anxious to get broadband because it will significantly impact their educational programs
 - Housing in our area is severely impacted by the lack of broadband since people are so unlikely to purchase a home with limited access to the internet
- Tippy/Chapman Sewer District Committee Meeting
 - Attended and held interviews
- Housing Study Committee
 - Attended
- JCAP
 - Attended the graduation
- AIC Board Meeting
 - The Department of Revenue provided information about the software update showing they will be able to breakdown the money that comes in to local districts
- INDOT Committee
 - A committee has been created with a Council appointment from Owen County to meet with INDOT reference future planning. It is hoped the possibility of changing the restricted/non-restricted split from 50/50 to 30/70 which would help address the MVH funding issues for Kosciusko County

- Cybersecurity
 - Lawrence County is the latest to be hacked
 - FireEye Software, which Council has already approved will be funded by the state for the next 2 years and then it is unknown how it will be funded and if it will be a requirement of all counties to have it
 - AIM (Association of Municipalities) and AIC (Association of Indiana Counties) are partnering to work on the cybersecurity issues
- Census
 - It is imperative to conduct an accurate census, since it determines the amount of money a county will receive
- School bus cameras
 - Received a call from Triton Schools regarding cameras for school buses
 - The SAVE grant was approved and pays officers to enforce school bus safety laws, and through the program a fee can be charged through the courts from \$200 to \$1000 for offenses and 25% of those funds can be used locally for bus safety equipment such as cameras
 - Doing further research for funding sources

Joni Truex

- Census
 - A speaker at the most recent Kiwanas' meeting, stated roughly \$27,000 over a ten year period is lost for each person not counted in the census
- Tippy/Chapman Sewer District Committee Meeting
 - Attended and held interviews
- WCDC Board Meeting
 - First Friday themes are available on the website
- Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce
 - Attended the dinner
 - Michelle Puckett, County Auditor, was awarded the 2019 Government Excellence Award
- AIC Legislative Conference
 - The breakout sessions were good and the speakers were outstanding
 - Steve Moriarty attended and was able to network with some Senators, who have agreed to work with him on resolving the restricted MVH funding issue
- Indiana Builders Association
 - Attended the State President Reception for Brett Harter
- Kosciusko County Department Head Meeting
 - Attended

Ernie Wiggins

- MACOG
 - Attended the National Conference of Regions as President of MACOG (Michiana Area Council of Governments)
 - Director, James Turnwald, is doing a very good job
 - The FAST Act, which provides funding for roads, expires September 30th
 - Housing is an issue being looked into across the country
 - 36,000 highway fatalities were reported last year and 6,000 pedestrian deaths
 - The interstate system is 60 years old
 - Studies on climate resilience indicate that winter is 3 weeks shorter than at the turn of the 20th century
 - Recycling continues to be a challenge worldwide

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.