

Porter County Council

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The Porter County Council will meet on Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., in the County Administration Center, located at 155 Indiana Avenue - Room 205, Valparaiso, Indiana.

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call

Minutes

Approval of regular Council minutes for June 28th, 2022.

First Reading

Commissioners

Local Income Tax (LIT) Fund 1112-000-0068	Transfer	\$90,000 from 39500 Contractual Services to 22100 Gas, Fuel & Lubrication
	Reason	Transfer needed due to rising gas prices.
	Transfer	\$5,000 from 39500 Contractual Services to 39780 Care of Patients and Inmates
	Reason	Transfer needed to pay invoice.
Cumulative Capital Development (CCD) Fund 1138-000-0068	Transfer	\$25,000 from 36200 Building and Structures to 32300 Postage
	Reason	Postage will be depleted due to elections mailings and postage increase.

Superior Court 1 – Judge Fish

Superior Court 1 – General Fund 1000-000-0201	Additional Reason	\$40,000 to 31100 Legal Appropriation needed to pay for criminal transcripts for defendants who have been determined to be indigent.
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Circuit Court – Judge Mary DeBoer & Juvenile Detention Director Alison Cox

Circuit Court General Fund 1000-000-0232	Transfer Reason	\$1,000 from 31100 Legal to 22500 Other Supplies Needed for various office supply needs for the rest of 2022.
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Treasurer – Michelle Clancy

Tax Sales Fees Fund 1203-000-0003	Additional Reason	\$70,000 to 39500 Contractual Services Tax Sale – Estimated Fees to be collected for redeemed/sold 2022 tax sale properties.
Treasurer General Fund 1000-000-0003	Transfer Reason	\$1,300 from 36100 Maintenance Agreements to 39500 Contractual Services. To cover the expenses of the required SBOA (State Board of Accounts) corrective billing, due to errors occurring with LaPorte County’s 2022 billing.

Assessor – Jon Snyder

Reassessment Fund 1188-000-0008	Transfer Reason	\$6,000 from 39500 Contractual Services to 31300 Training and Education. Transfer needed to cover required continuing education.
	Transfer Reason	\$1,200 from 11200 Hourly to 12300 PERF. Transfer needed to cover extra FICA from transfer to Hourly last month.

Animal Shelter – Director Darrin Biggs

Animal Shelter General Fund 1000-000-0626	Transfer Reason	\$6,000 from 23300 Household & Bedding to 11200 Hourly \$1,500 from 23500 Building & Maintenance to 11200 Hourly \$500 from 36100 Maintenance Agreements to 11200 Hourly \$2,000 from 36300 Equipment other than Vehicles to 11200 Hourly. Transfer needed to cover hourly payroll thru the end of the year.
	Transfer Reason	\$125 from 39500 Contractual Services to 39300 Dues & Subscriptions Transfer needed to cover the cost of hosting and support for Animal Shelters website.
Animal Shelter – Shelter Fees 4007-000-0626	Transfer Reason	\$1,500 from 31300 Training & Education to 11200 Hourly \$1,500 from 33400 Advertising to 11200 Hourly Transfer needed to cover hourly payroll thru the end of the year.
Animal Shelter Supplemental Fund 4008-000-0626	Transfer Reason	\$15,000 from 31600 Vet Services to 11200 Hourly Transfer needed to cover hourly payroll thru the end of the year.

Development & Storm Water Management - Director Robert Thompson

Storm Water Fund 1182-000-0079	Additional Reason	\$5,000 to 22100 Gas, Fuel & Lubrication Appropriation needed to cover department vehicles.
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Coroner – Cyndi Dykes

Coroner General Fund (Tabled 7-26-2022)
1000-000-0007

Additional Reason \$90,000 to 31200 Consultants
Appropriation needed to cover Pathologist Autopsy Fees from
October 2022 – January 2023.

Additional Reason \$10,000 to Consultants
Appropriation needed to cover Hospital Morgue/Lab fees
associated with each autopsy for the remainder of the year.

Adult Probation – Chief Probation Officer Melanie Golumbeck

Adult Probation General Fund
1000-000-0274

Form 144 \$6,326 to \$11,326 P.O. Supervisor
Reason \$41,879 to \$36,879 P.O. (Vacant)
Salary change of \$5,000 increase in P.O. Supervisor and
decrease of \$5,000 in P.O. (Vacant).

Porter County Sheriff – David Reynolds

Sheriff General Fund
1000-000-0005

Transfer Reason \$40,000 to 11100 Salaries to 11300 Overtime
To cover the cost of overtime for short shifts, due to 7
open positions and SWAT calls.

Sheriff's Sex & Violent Offenders Administrative Fund
1192-000-0005

Additional Reason \$53,000 to 44200 Motor Vehicles
To cover the cost of purchasing new vehicle for Sex
Offender checks and registration.

Sheriff Donation Fund
4108-000-0005

Additional Reason \$15,000 to 44500 Patrol K9
Donations for Patrol K9 received \$14,000 to date, with a
possibility of more coming.

Porter County Sheriff's Lenco Industries Armored Vehicle

General Fund (1000.44200.000.9601) - Armored SWAT Vehicle - Bearcat G3 discussion

Police Pension Proposed Plan Amendments (2023 Cost Estimate)

(The additional cost for 2024 is estimated to be between \$150,000 to \$200,000)

- Add Plan Language to clarify vesting years of service for re-hired officers (Cost Neutral)
- Update DROP language (Cost Neutral)
- Update mortality tables/interest rate assumptions (-\$ 5,364)
- Change 5 year to 3 year average salary (\$51,918)
- Change retirement eligibility to 20 years of service (\$169,761)
- Capping overtime (Some Savings)

Health Department – Director Sheila Paul

Health Fund 1159-000-0610	Transfer	\$100 from 11200 Hourly to 11300 Overtime
	Reason	Transfer needed to cover OT paid during COVID testing
	Transfer	\$2,000 from 36400 Rebinding Records to 39300 Dues & Subscriptions
	Reason	Transfer needed to cover membership dues to IEHA (Indiana Environmental Health Association), NEHA (National Environmental Health Association), IPHA (Indiana Public Health Association) and IVRA.
COVID 93.323 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases Grant Fund 8912-000-0610	Transfer	\$100 from 11200 Hourly to 12300 PERF
	Reason	Shortage in fund for the New Years testing
COVID 93.354 Workforce Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Response Grant Fund 8913-000-0610	Transfer	\$10,500 from 44200 Motor Vehicles to 33400 Advertising
	Reason	Transfer needed due to decreased immunization grant funding.

Board of Elections & Registration – Clerk Jessica Bailey

Board of Elections & Registration General Fund 1000-000-0062	Transfer	\$3,000 from 13301Travel Board to 13210 Absentee Board \$15,000 from 32300 Postage to 11200 Hourly \$17,000 from 32300 Postage to 13210 Absentee Board \$2,000 from 32300 Postage to 22300 Food and Groceries
	Additional	\$8,000 to 13210 Absentee Boards \$53,000 to 13401 Polling Place Boards
	Reason	Replenish account due to increase to Early Voting Center acknowledgements
	Additional	\$79,964 to 11100 Salaries
	Reason	Requesting 2 additional employees at \$39,982 each, plus FICA, PERF and Insurance
	Form 144	\$0 to \$39,982 Deputy (2 @ \$39,982 = \$79,964)
	Reason	\$0 to \$39,982 Deputy Requesting 2 additional employees at \$39,982 each. Need to increase hourly amount for Security and add amounts for Judge-Line Monitor and Office Staff

Second Reading

Attorney’s Report

Any other matter that may come properly before the Council

• **Levy Limits and Tax Caps – Auditor Vicki Urbanik**

- Council Review of Levy Limits and Tax Caps per IC 6-1.1-17-3.6

• **Waggoner, Irwin, Scheele, and Associates, Inc. Presentation – Addie Rooker, Principal Consultant.**

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- Porter County Wage Study

• **Appointments**

- Porter County Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals (PTABOA)

Meeting Adjourned