

Randolph County Council

June 7, 2022

The Randolph County Council met for its regular meeting at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners and Council Room of the Courthouse with the following members present: Council President Gary Friend, Rick Brown, Tom Kerns, Max Holaday, David Lenkensdofer, Missy Williams and Beverly Fields. Also present was County Auditor Laura J Martin.

Council President Gary Friend presided.

Pledge of Allegiance

Sherri Thompson- Grant application & Supplemental pay for Tammy Pruitt

Gary said we have grant application and them some information on the stipends. So, as you are coming up, you have three grant applications that are no commitment to the county, just pass through?

Sherry said yes.

Gary said has everybody had a chance to read these? They're all the same as we always do? I'm trying to see how to identify them by title. Emergency Preparedness, Indiana Department of Health, and the State Department of Health grants. One is for \$17,510.71. That's the Indiana State Department. One is for \$33,139.00. That's the Indiana Department of Health. And one is for \$25,000.00 and that's the Public Health Emergency Preparedness. Someone make a motion to approve these

Max made motion to approve. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion granted.

Gary said okay and then you have got with Dr. Sowinski approving the \$5,000.00 for the new school liaison.

Sherry said yes. I emailed those to Laura. I don't know if everyone got that.

Gary said I think you sent them out to everyone didn't you?

Laura said yes.

Gary said providing the council approves, this you understand it's not a one-time bonus. It's added to bi-weekly pay.

Sherry said yes.

Gary said then also it will have to come through resolution in July, or rather ordinance in July before it begins.

Sherry said okay.

Gary said alright. Anybody have any questions about the request that we started at the last meeting. Someone like to make a motion to approve.

Dave made motion to approve. Max seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said do you have anything further for council.

Sherry said I just want to let you know that our new sanitarian is doing a good job. He's doing his training, he's already started doing inspections.

Gary said who is it?

Sherry said Eric Devon.

Dave said is he from Union City?

Sherry said Union City, yes.

Dave said okay. The name sounds familiar.

Gary said can you bring him next meeting so we can meet him?

Sherry said sure. He had some meetings with some people from the state today or I would have brought him.

Bev said last name Devon.

Sherry said yes.

Gary said okay. Anybody have anything for Sherry.

Missy said I've got one question. If you are a new employee, is there any, county-wide, is there an evaluation for your first year, that anyone completes, as job performance.

Sherry said Dr. Sowinski and I have been working on that, trying to monitor to make sure things are on track all the time, and then do an evaluation at that time too. So, right now, there's nothing written up, but we are looking at that and working on it.

Dave said just a comment. I was listening to the Randolph Eastern School board meeting the other night, and they highly praised Tammy for being in the schools. It's really helping out.

Sherry said Tammy goes above and beyond. She's a great asset to the county. Thank you all very much.

Duane Petry – New ambulance

Duane said okay so I was supposed to be at the commissioners' meeting yesterday, but I got my days screwed up on when I worked and so I missed the commissioners' meeting. But I'm trying to get another ambulance ordered and they approved that yesterday.

Gary said through ARPA, correct. Which we'll have the new round coming through to be able to use before the ambulance arrives anyway. It's a two-year process.

Duane said we're looking at two years before they deliver it. And then I've got one cot that's ten years old and Striker won't service it. Anything older than ten years, they don't, they won't do anything with that. And I got to go back to the commissioners' meeting and talk about that more. And the load system on the new ambulance, talk about that some more with the commissioners.

Gary said okay. What do you need from the council today.

Duane said I don't know.

Meeks said any additional appropriation.

Laura said no they don't have the additional, because it has to be advertised, but they can approve as applying for additional appropriation.

Gary said for the new ambulance.

Laura said yes. \$260,000 total and that included the cot and the other but that, those two items have not been approved yet.

Gary said so what we need now is an approval for additional appropriation for \$260,000.00 out of ARPA fund.

Laura said actually they do have that additional. We do have it on there. I'm sorry. Let's just leave it in the program. Because Angela advertised it last month, but she didn't have the quotes at that time. But if you end up buying all three, this will be, the ambulance was 201, am I right. And then you have ...

Gary said \$260,000 is what's on here.

Laura said yeah that's, but that included the cot and the loading system.

Gary said this includes everything, the \$260.

Laura said that includes everything. But the cot and the loading system have not been approved yet because the commissioners had questions.

Duane said well I didn't bring the right papers.

Laura said I think it was \$201,000.00 for the ambulance if I remember right.

Gary said we can, okay. If the council decides we can approve \$260,000.00 the commissioners would have to approve the rest.

Max said the one, the email said \$212,986.

Gary said that's the ambulance.

Max said yes.

Duane said yes. The ambulance alone.

Laura said do you want to do that now or not. Or do you want to wait until.

Gary said we can do that right now. So, we have an additional appropriation for \$260,000.00 out of ARPA for another new ambulance to be delivered in two years.

Duane said hopefully sooner.

Gary said and the funding's there if the commissioners so desire for the other things that need to go with it, correct. Any questions.

Max made motion to approve the additional appropriation of \$260,000.00 out of ARPA for a new ambulance, cot and loading system. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Duane said so I can send the order in for the ambulance.

Gary said yes. Have you gotten an ambulance that quick? Actually, I think it's two in a row.

Duane said not through this council no. In fact, Gale Green and some of them guys back in those days, yeah. Quicker, lot quicker.

Gary said what else Duane.

Duane said well the last order, ambulance we ordered, I'm hoping it's going to be finished and delivered by the first of July, maybe end of June, but I'm looking at the first of July. I think he, they think it's going to be done June 22nd, and then they've got to bring it up from Florida and put the loan system in. So hopefully, we'll have a new ambulance here in the next two or three weeks.

Gary said what's that make our fleet look like.

Duane said the one we are going to replace with this one you just approved has got 207,000 miles on it right now. I'm having trouble keeping them all on the road with, they're nickel and diming me but. It's going to be a long time before that next one gets here. Probably a wing and a prayer towards the end. But we're keeping everything going the best we can.

Gary said yeah you are. Right now, there are four operating ambulances though.

Duane said well no. The one we're trading in, last week, when you turn the emergency lights on, they work fine, but when you turn the patient compartment lights on, all the emergency lights shut off. So, it's got an electrical problem and it's just parked and hoping that instead of putting more money into it, hoping this ambulance gets here in a couple of weeks and we're done with that one.

Gary said I understand.

Duane said and I've got one that I've got to get brakes put on. Right now, we've got two on the road.

Gary said okay. What else.

Duane said I'm getting ready to call some of the other neighboring ambulance services to see what their charges are and look at raising our prices with the price of fuel going up. And we haven't raised our prices for quite a while. So, I'm looking at that and I'll get that information together and go to the commissioners and see what they want to do. That's about all I can think of.

Gary said alright. Anybody have anything for Duane.

Max said how's your gas budget going to work this year.

Duane said I don't know.

Max said I didn't know if you have any estimate at all.

Duane said it's probably going to be short. So, I'll come back and see you and say I need or well no, I guess I'll transfer money from other accounts first, and then I'll, when I'm down to nothing, that's when I'll come back and see you.

Gary said yeah if this keeps up, we'll probably see you quicker rather than later.

Duane said yeah and having the ambulance over in Farmland.

Gary said working well.

Duane said yes. There's times we're getting down to Losantville and beating the first responders there.

Gary said are you still parked at the fire department.

Duane said yes.

Gary said that's working out. Are you inside or out.

Duane said inside.

Bev said that's good until when.

Duane said until they kick us out.

Gary said original date passed already.

Duane said or fall. Maybe this fall when they have to move their grass truck out again. I'm not really sure. I know the commissioners are working on finding something permanent. And I think we are slowly buy surely going to get there.

Gary said okay. Anybody else have anything for Duane.

Dave said Gary I have a question for Laura really quick on the ARPA funds.

Gary said yes.

Dave said can we get an Excel spreadsheet showing when we receive the money we are spending, just a brief.

Laura said I thought she had it on her monthly sheet she sends you. Is it not on there, the monthly sheet she sends you. It's fine. I can look and see what I can come up with. I don't know if it's on there or not because I didn't get a copy. But she said she sent it out.

Dave said well I'd like to see the actual breakdown, where we are spending our money. I'm sure, I know our ARPA monies are on this sheet, just the total.

Laura said and the plan has the breakdown so I can just pull it off of that. It's fine.

Gary said anything else Dave.

Ceann Bales and Lisa Jennings -Forum of Funder

Ceann said we come to you, we are here to talk again and update you on the work of the cultivating community efforts when I come to your meetings. And I just take a step back and just kind of give the path of how we got to this point, and where we are at. The cultivating community efforts was started in 2018 by Greg Beumer and Missy was involved in that before I

became part of the organization. And they hired Ball State Indiana Community Institute to go out and start a planning process, and see how we can kind of switch from economic development and quality of life issues. And so how they did that, they launched, in 2019, they launched community meetings in all of our rural towns in Randolph County. They sent out postcards. They had focus groups. They actually also met with the students at all five high schools. And with those contacts, they made over a thousand contacts with people, got feedback from over a thousand residents in Randolph County. That does not include the students. Then things had to be put on hold for Covid and in 2021, we started working with ICI again, where we had another four, each of those meetings like 3 ½ hours long. We had a 150 people engage in that work. And now we have 60 people engaged in action groups. And what's really exciting, there's some people in those action groups I've never met before so we are engaging more people in Randolph County, which is really, really exciting, specifically, in our trail efforts, and in our kayak efforts. And so out of all of that, the residents of Randolph County said they wanted, what they would like somebody to work on, rested around kind of five basic initiatives. Housing, quality of life, education, technology and the drug epidemic. And we kind of put the drug epidemic up under quality of life. And then added business and retention and expansion in Randolph County United when it was formed. Adopted those five initiatives, that those are the things we could lead. We were able to continue the work with ICI because of the community foundation of Randolph County secured a grant through Lilly to help us do that work. And in that grant application to Lilly, the community foundation had the foresight to include a concept of the Forum of Funders. And I'll let Lisa speak to that. But it was brilliant from the standpoint, is most of these plans, we do all this planning and the plan sits on the shelf. And nothing gets done because there's no funding behind it. And so, in that, the Community Foundation wrote in this concept of the Funders Forum that we're going to talk and ask for all of you to support today.

Lisa said so, one of our objectives with the grant application to Lilly Endowment was to provide for this creation of the Forum of Funders to pool resources for impactful grant making on projects. There's other areas in the state that other counties that have a successful model for forum funders, which a twenty plus year track record of impactful grants. And so was reassuring, I think from the foundation perspective, to know that there are successful models of this elsewhere, and our challenge is now to create something similar in our county that fits our really less populated rural community. So, we hope to bring together, people around the table from the community and the county to establish the ground rules for this new program. The foundation has created a fiscal sponsorship to hold the assets in a pass-through fund. It's designated for grant making decided by the Forum of Funders. They also decided to create a three-year pilot program and authorize the Forum of Funders to create this program, collaborate, award grants from the pool fund. The board intends for the Forum of Funders to be an autonomous entity and they hope it will sustain and grow over time. It could potentially become its own 501C3 in the future. But for now, it will rely on the foundation for tax deductibility, oversight and making sure they are following the rules of tax deductibility in charitable organizations. So, there's a membership where each member gets one vote. And there's a minimum contribution over a three-year period for people to sit around a table and be part of this process. We are really encouraging the members of the Forum of Funders to think of this more as a partnership, not so much as a grant. It's really designed to foster collaboration and bring people together around the table. Members of the Forum of Funders do have fiduciary responsibility in monitoring the grant progress and the outcomes. The foundation will oversee

the appropriateness of the grant. So, this three-year program, we have yet to establish the bi-laws and the grant making structure, but the members are really charged with creating that, as a membership kind of board. So that's the idea of the Forum of Funders. We really want to engage, continue to engage people in finding solutions and opportunities. We know this will have to be tackled one step at a time. And keep people engaged and involved in the needs of the county.

Ceann said so the idea of what we are trying to do is to create a smaller group initially of partners to design the parameters of the program, the grant parameters, how it will be funded. And so, we are trying to get a smaller group, and once when we get a small group of investors and partners within that designing the parameters, then we send, the new person in my position, then will go out and raise additional funds to grow that fund even more. It has a \$160,000 in it right now. We have talked to three private funders. We know one is very favorable. We should know in about a week if they jump on board, two others we're hoping to have on board as well. And then also we really want, are here today to ask you, the council to give \$10,000.00 over three years for a total gift of \$30,000 to have a seat at the table to help us design this. Also, the commissioners, our hope was that there would be a seat on from a commissioner rep and a county council rep to help us design this and guide this forward, since this is what the citizens of Randolph County are saying they would like our community to work on, and our leaders to work on. And so, looking at an over-all county ask yesterday for \$60,000 and the commissioners decided to kind of split that up and do \$30,000. And so, they did that through EDIT funds. And then so we are looking for the council to consider making that same type of gift and so there would be a representative from the county council as well.

Gary said that \$160,000, how's that derived. Who has already paid.

Lisa said well the Community Foundation had stepped up.

Gary said so the 160 is the community foundation.

Lisa said not all the community foundation. It's also Randolph County United, it's through Winchester foundation, celebrated 75 years. And they gave us \$75,000 to the community foundation and our board chose to make, to allocate that to this initiative. Also, Lilly Endowment through the grant that we applied for is also part of that \$160,000. So, with that funding attached to Lilly Endowment, I do report back to them our progress as a county in developing this initiative.

Gary said the only mechanism the Council has is income with support of the Commissioners. All our accounts are restrictive. My thought is, I support it. I listened to, whoever you brought, I forget his name, I thought it was a good idea. But I believe that this is an EDIT funding situation personally, in support of it, that I've yet to vote to put any windfarm funds in anything that's not a government sponsored entity. This is not, this is private sector. So, I have a hang up with that I don't have a hang up with the funders forum nor do I have a hang up with the EDIT funds, which are specific for those type of things. But the council doesn't have any way to put anything in, other than windfarm funding. And I've never, myself, and I'll go around the table to see

where everybody is at, went out to private sector with windfarm funding. And really, I don't think I want to right now. I'm not saying I don't believe in what you are doing.

Lisa said we do provide grants to tax supported entities, just so you know.

Gary said yeah I know that.

Lisa said through forum funders we can grant.

Gary said what I'm talking about is all the windfarm funding that we have approved for expenditure, I've been here through all of it, hasn't went to anything other than that I can remember, maybe there's one out there, a government entity, like a city, a town, things of that nature. This is not that specifically. So that's kind of where I'm at. I support it, and I support the commissioners funding it. I'm not so sure I support it coming out of windfarm and then the council doesn't have any other mechanism that I'm aware of to provide it.

Tom said I support it 100%. I think this is what we, direction we have to go. And especially pushing for the quality of life initiatives. But, I'm, the same thing, I'm not a big fan of the windfarm money going anywhere.

Lisa said we do grant to schools for education, tax supported entities.

Gary said are the schools being approached for this too? They have just as much stake in our community. And sometimes I don't they are always asked for their input. They ask for things.

Lisa said they are engaged with the work.

Gary said are engaged in the helping fund it. They have funding too.

Ceann said no we have not asked them.

Gary said are you going to.

Ceann said I'll add them on the list. I hadn't thought about that. That's a good point. I hadn't thought about that.

Gary said Tom anything else.

Tom said no.

Gary said Dave.

Dave said yeah I think it's a great program. I think we ought to participate. Windfarm monies, probably not, because we're only 7/10ths of that anyhow. It takes the other three commissioners to, we really don't have any funding source by ourselves to fund that. So, I'd be in favor of using EDIT funds to move that forward.

Gary said which, the EDIT has already committed \$30,000.

Ceann said so yes, yeah. And we knew that, I mean I guess I should have qualified, that we knew the request was for windfarm money. So, it was the request of Windfarm money to be used for this. Sorry, I should have clarified that.

Gary said Max.

Max said I support the project. I guess personally I don't have that big of a hang up using the windfarm funds for that.

Gary said okay. Rick.

Rick said I support, I just, making a decision, like you said, I don't know. I just, I just have just like getting something and then expecting to make a decision on it right then without thinking, looking and seeing where we can do things. I support the project at this point, I'm like Max, \$30,000 out of windfarm. And that, you know, in the grand scheme of things.

Gary said it doesn't take a vote today. We can have it next month where everybody thinks about the type of thing.

Ceann said oh yeah that's fine.

Gary said Bev.

Bev said I think it sounds like a good plan and I hope it comes up with, turns out to be a real positive entity. And I cannot support windfarm funding for it. So, but EDIT would be a possibility in my mind.

Gary said Missy.

Missy said I support it 100%. I've had some, I've had three of my constituents within Winchester who heard the presentation, or heard about the presentation yesterday who had a few questions. And they were really good ones. A couple of them were in on the 150 people from when we met the first time. Some were real involved but never heard about another meeting, particularly in education. So, they, their suggestion is they want to get more involved. And I can give you those names privately. But they said that everybody, and I do remember that we all put our emails down when we signed into those. That there should be, and even if it's a large group, it may be going into peoples' spam, but divide those down to who was on what committee and send them updates when meetings. They want to be a big part of this again. And any meetings that are happening, they really want full transparency and want to get involved and help make decisions. I personally don't have any problem with the Windfarm money but I think EDIT would be the best place to take it from. Continue dialogue. I would love to have a copy of what we read there, just for my information to know, and I'm not sure everybody else wouldn't also. I

think it really moves us in the right direction. But I do also think schools could make a contribution to this.

Gary said they have a community stake.

Missy said it will keep them coming. Cause as we all know, some of the schools get involved very much, other ones, we never hear from them. We don't, and I know they are busy, and I don't know whose roll it is within the school corporations to do that. But they need to assign somebody, whether it's even a school board member to get involved and be a big part of this, because it could have a lot to do with some of the projects they want to accomplish. And yet the thing is, chamber funds, I know that all the businesses have to pay in chamber dues. And that's worked really well. So is there a portion of the chamber funding, the money collected from membership that you could use on this also. And that way, all the businesses who are members would actually be putting a small portion in. I'm not saying \$30,000. I'm just saying that I know as many members as would take, and even when I was there, that could get to be, that was a pretty good substantial amount. And the question was where's the chamber funding, where's that being used at. And it would be a great business retention. Wouldn't it be a great place to take some of the chamber money and invest in this also. Whether that decreases our amount that we can come up and put in with EDIT of Windfarm is just that some of that, where could some other money come other than us. The government tax, because they look at it as taxpayers are funding this, which they have no issue with, particularly one person wants it to be spread kind of like you mentioned Gary, schools being involved is a really great one. I actually had not thought of that and they hadn't either. But to get some of those people invited back. Retired educators were the primary ones I heard from. I've never got any notice on when they were meeting again. And I said well check your email, check your spam because it could be in there. And they just hadn't thought to do that.

Gary said okay I think even maybe the tourism statute would allow something too. I mean we are all in it together so.

Missy said yes. I'm sorry that was mentioned.

Gary said seeing how everybody approves of the thing, I've asked Laura to put it on the agenda for July for a vote. So, everybody can consider if they are ready to make the step into Windfarm for non-government entities. But I'll also reach out to Mike and see where the commissioners want to go. The keeper of the EDIT fund, \$60 in the EDIT because I think it's worthwhile. We heard the gentleman that you had brought the presentation to Mike and I. Pretty much sold it. I mean, how every step of it works and what it's actually done. Those kinds of things matter when we're hearing you know. Show us results and show us success, would be great in July. It doesn't mean the vote will go through for sure but anyway. Everybody okay with putting it on the July agenda for a vote.

Ceann said I appreciate the feedback, you let us know and we definitely want, we are trying as hard as we can to get the word out and get more people engaged. And that's how we are getting more people engaged, through face book, all the meetings, and all the coalition meetings are advertised and such so thank you for the feedback. The schools, I haven't even thought of that

so I appreciate that very much. I do just have a couple of things just to update you. Just updated the commissioners on the tower progress with Farmland, I think you know, we knew that we wanted to approach Purdue Davis Farms for zero rent. Made that proposal to them. They came back in and informed me that Purdue did not want to do that. I asked why and they said because of the zero rent. And I said well this is a negotiation, you know, also for, it was in that that they could put their equipment on it. And I said I just, let me know of an amount that I could take back to the commissioners and county council, and I've not heard back yet for a dollar amount to kind of negotiate that. So just wanted to let you know that that's where we are at with it. Do you have any comments for the tech committee?

Dave said no that's the first I've heard of that.

Ceann said I just found out about it.

Dave said have a meeting this Wednesday.

Ceann said there's a meeting on Wednesday. So, I wanted to update you guys on that. And then also on the READI that we did get \$650,000 for our community, \$400,000 for the vision corner, which has already been put into the quarry, which means it's being processed. It's been accepted by IEDC and so it's down, we should be getting that funding hopefully in the next couple of months. Very exciting. And then we did receive \$250,000 that's been set aside for the 4-H project, which I'm really excited about. So, our county got \$650,000 for our \$30,000 investment. So, I am pleased with that. So, I just wanted to update you on that.

Gary said do you have a map on part of that, that we got our fair share. It would be near about \$900,000.

Ceann said it was near, we knew that. We all negotiated, our fair share was \$900,000. We actually, that was our starting point.

Gary said we got more than I thought we would.

Ceann said no. I mean, it started out that our group started out with per capita thousands of dollars. And then we talked about what projects we needed in our community and what projects we thought we could fund. Because you remember, there's extensive amount of matching. And so, what we felt, and so, and then there were some big projects in Richmond, Delaware and Grant County that we thought could also benefit from our community. But I do have those breakdowns I sent, the commissioners asked me. I can send those to Laura if she wants to send that out to you as a council, that gives a breakdown of what each county received. And that was negotiation of what would receive.

Gary said on those type of projects. Generally, we are way down low on these type of project.

Ceann said yeah. We all started at that point and we all started giving and taking some. And that's how we got down to it. And I just wanted to thank Laura for all her work. She's helped

me the last 2 ½ years and get things into you guys. And she's great. So, I just wanted to publicly thank her for all that she's done. So, thank you.

Gary said thank you Ceann. You will be at our council meeting next month correct.

Ceann said I will be here.

Gary said I know. Good luck. Thank you Lisa.

Grace Minkis & Chris Beasley, EDPR – Riverstart III Resolution 2022-09 & Public hearing

Gary said okay EDPR. Meeks do you need to start a resolution for us.

Meeks said do you have the resolution here?

Laura said I do.

Gary said okay we'll get to that in a minute.

Meeks said well today is just to start the process and get a public hearing set. So, I don't think they'll reach the final numbers on the EDA payments today.

Gary said okay you put in a proposal and then I work with Baker Tilly and Mike and sent one back, you evidently, you guys aren't happy with or, about the payment schedule.

Chris said I think we'd still like to talk about a couple of things.

Gary said okay.

Chris said okay do you want to start the memo.

Grace said sure we start with that.

Chris said yeah let's do that.

Grace said okay. So just to recap, yesterday we met with the Commissioners and just to discuss more of the ongoing negotiations for the EDA. We read something similar to this, but we thought it was probably best that we just put it in writing. So, I'll just read this through and it can set the base for our discussion today. Riverstart Solar park III will be the second solar park built in Randolph County. And at the time of proposal this project is the most valuable solar opportunity the county has seen to date. It's half the size in land use and generation, the tax base contribution from this project on a per acre of solar basis is 32% than that of the previous space of solar. The proposed EDA on a per acre basis is worth 25% more. Both out pacing the rate of inflation. And these percentages can be seen in the map, which is on the back of, or the separate sheet. This advantageous price difference that the township and county see is a result of supply chain issues. However, these issues create, increase EDPRs cost to build by \$37,000,000.00.

With that increase in mind, we'll still build the project, and that is a win for Randolph County. We asked the county to be thoughtful of the unique situation at hand. We believe that EDPR works and will continue to work to be a great partner to Randolph County. On Headwaters II, we went above and beyond on the road restoration and spent millions of extra dollars upgrading the roads to asphalt in lieu of chip and seal. At the time of the Riverstart I Solar, EDA funding proposal, the supply chain issues did not exist. The EDA proposal was favorable and in addition to fortunate economic circumstances, EDPR proposed half a million dollars of additional funding for the county. Finally, we believe this is our best solar development yet and the most economically profitable to Randolph County. The Riverstart III project will be a great continuation to the county's tax base, which is one of the most important benefits derived from these projects. We are incredibly proud of what we've committed to the committees of Union Township and Modoc, and to the community foundation and individual agreements we have with Modoc. With that, we ask the county to be open to our negotiations on this EDA

Chris said and to preface, I want to state our intent is not to set a new standard for our relationship with the county. I understand that this negotiation has been a lot more in detail than what we've done in the past. I think this project is very unique as Grace just described. It just shouldn't be viewed through the same lens as our previous projects or future projects. And so, with the Baker and Tilly analysis, there are two versions. The original proposes an EDA payment stream of \$5,870,000.00. The revised analysis totals \$5,600,000. We believe the original analysis to be over conservative, and would ask the county to consider using the revised analysis for the basis of negotiation.

Gary said how do you derive that though because Baker Tilly, in discussions I've had with them, the reason we have offered of \$5.870 is very generous from the county on our part. The \$5,600,000, did Baker Tilly come up with that for you or did you come up with that and submit it.

Chris said they revised the rates based on a discussion that we had.

Gary said okay so they just input the numbers on the discussion you had.

Chris said yeah.

Meeks said you know that's on what they think the rate increases will be.

Gary said right.

Meeks said that's as all of those are assumptions. It, talking to Jason, I think he thinks that \$5.87 is a very easily defensible assumption. Now if we take less it could be the \$5.6 million dollar, I mean it's, could be either I guess.

Gary said in going on the assumption of a reduced tax rate, which your talking about it doesn't do anything about the possibility of any kind of project bonding that goes out into the county, it would be applied right to this project if it were not in this economic redevelopment area.

Meeks said Jason was pretty specific.

Gary said you'd be protected from that.

Meeks said if they do it.

Gary said especially down in Union Township, let's just say Union Township and Union School consolidates with Monroe Central, Monroe Central is probably going to have to put a bond out to take this on, including the possibility of redevelopment, this is just hypothetical, build an elementary, by us locking in your being protected and we're also using those funds too. Another thing when you come back at the county in a joint session, payments are pushed out thirteen years and we never discussed 13 years. We discuss, the most we would do is eleven and get one-year hesitation on it like we did on Riverstart I and even Headwaters II. But how do we get to thirteen years on that. Nobody gave the council permission to even suggest that thirteen years was okay. Matter of fact, I believe your attorney was the last one speaking, said hey we would like to consider a balloon payment at the end. And we said yeah believe we could live with that. So, the proposal coming back to the county, at least what I was looking at, wasn't what we discussed. I'm not in the mood to change it. I want our relationship with EDPR personally to be good but as far as, the tax base that we're talking about is the tax base that all people face. All inflation is affecting everybody. We all have to pay our taxes. And they don't know what it is from month, from year to year. So, to me, the \$5.870, I believe is a good deal because it also protects you from any kind of bonds that go along in the county. So, I appreciate you guys coming back with 5,6. I don't blame you but I'm stuck on the \$5,870,000.00 and in the report that we come up with and send back to you, making sure it's completed in 11 years. So, Tom.

Tom said I don't have anything to add right now.

Gary said Dave.

Dave said is this power been sold yet.

Grace said yeah we have a power purchase agreement.

Dave said so it's already and done deal. And what's the total cost of that project.

Grace said the capital investment is \$175 million.

Dave said 175. And then there's \$270,000.00 difference. That's all I've got Gary.

Gary said okay. Max.

Max said I don't really have much to add. I guess I have a question. Has your company had a chance to evaluate the results of yesterday's announcements by our president on the impact of the cost of the solar farm. Where he has eliminated, or is going to eliminate the tariffs on Chinese panels and so on.

Chris said there is no impact. So essentially, what happened was, there was a question as to whether the panels that were being imported were following the tariff rules or not. And so, if the answer had been the rules are not being followed, it would have really destroyed the ability to build projects, because there would be all of these back tariffs and so on. What the president did is he essentially said we are protecting these projects from that back tax for a temporary period until it can be fully vetted out. So, what we were planning is move forwards as if the ruling would come out positive in our favor, because that's our interpretation of the reality of the situation. So, there's no change to our enterprising.

Max said okay thank you.

Gary said Rick.

Rick said nothing.

Gary said Bev.

Bev said not anymore.

Gary said Missy.

Missy said so is it true that part of that tariff regulation would be on a composition of the panels themselves, and whether they were inferior to panels that you are now putting up. It scares me that what I read last night about the president's statement would be quite honest, because it doesn't allow, doesn't demand and require a lot of inspection on some panels that are coming in. They could actually be older panels that are going to be coming in, that you had maybe not purchased those. And that concerns me that everyone, the tariff goes off, we start importing Japanese panels with that 1.9% of a certain material, that would cause them to actually decompose quicker. I mean they could be, have a much shorter lifetime than the ones which you are currently using. That scares me a little bit. It's not just you, but any solar company decides to start putting those panels up because they are cheaper and don't care.

Meeks said we have it in our ordinance.

Missy said okay great. That's all, that's really what I was asking.

Meeks said I think what your question is we have it covered in the ordinance.

Missy said okay great.

Chris said and you can buy junk at any time.

Missy said I know.

Chris said you can buy American junk, you could buy Chinese junk. All of our projects, the panels, the trackers, they go through a very extensive process qualification. Are they going to

last, are they going to meet this longevity, x, y, z, how we model this into our economics, what's the maintenance cost? So, we do that on our own, and they we approach investors to buy equity in the project. When they buy equity, they also have their own team run through the analysis. It's a very involved process. So, there's no incentive for us to buy junk.

Missy said I understand that because you want, you need production off of these panels so.

Gary said okay Chris.

Meeks said I think council's kind of, I'm hearing, what they are talking about, that type of thing, but I think the question is as to the timing of it, I think that could certainly be discussed more. I know we have a \$600,000.00 a year expenditure for 28. And so, you guys want, I guess, to change those types of things. I don't know that I've heard anything to be opposed to it. We need to adjust the payment.

Gary said in the 11-year period.

Meeks said to come to the 11 years. At least that's what my discussions are, and that's what I was telling you guys.

Chris said and I, I just want to step back. I want to provide our thoughts, I mean just so we're not sitting in the dark. I want you to understand our thought process. And so first up, I studied taxes for months now with my tax team. And I think we are very qualified to comment. I personally have an engineering degree, and I've got an MBA in finance. I studied a lot of this stuff in my school time. And then I've got a backing of a tax team full of industry professionals. And our concerns with the rate analysis that was used, is first and foremost, is the analysis is using from economic data from last year and this year, which is probably the worst years in the last decade. And they are projecting that forwards a decade. So, you are taking a snapshot in time and using that the entire life of the EDA. Second, the analysis is assuming that the county will take the maximum allowable levy, which the state announces that every year, every year for the ten years, which you very well may. But historically speaking, that has not been the case.

Gary said it has for us.

Chris said has it?

Gary said we've max levied the whole ten years I've been here. So, you can just count on that.

Chris said okay. I must have miscalculated.

Meeks said we try, now that doesn't mean the state allows us to take that money.

Gary said right. We apply for it.

Meeks said we apply for it but yeah, the state then comes in and says.

Chris said so in that case, the state doesn't even allow you to take that maximum levy that's being sent.

Meeks said and it makes no sense.

Chris said I understand your point. I absolutely value the value of the EDA. I hear what you are saying. I ask is the county willing to compromise at this point, would you meet us halfway at \$5,735,000.00

Gary said I personally would not. There's six other member we would ask. We also have a very talented team, Baker Tilly, working on our behalf. I don't want to discredit anybody's abilities, but our team also is quite educated and they have told us that the \$5,600,000 is not a, something that they wouldn't do, but the \$5,870,000 is actually Randolph County being conservative with you. We're taking a risk you don't want to take. And I don't blame you so I'm not negotiable myself, but, Missy, are you negotiable.

Missy said a little, but not a lot.

Gary said Bev.

Bev said very little.

Gary said Rick.

Rick said some.

Gary said Max.

Max said I'll depend on the committee.

Gary said Dave.

Dave said no because it's only .001 percent of the total project that we're talking about, so I'm going to stick with the \$5.870.

Chris said and Dave I want to give you some context. The amount to build the project is immense. Essentially what we do is, it's a very large capital investment and our company is able to strip a bit off the top. That's how these things work. So, the margins can be tight, even though a very large project.

Dave said I understand that. My background is a little finance also. You've already sold that power so, you've already committed yourself to the ten years or whatever. So, the \$5.87 to me is a moot point. So that's all I have.

Gary said Tom.

Tom said I don't, I want to be a good partner, but I think the \$5.87 is fair. You guys been good partners to the county with all the other projects so I, I'm probably a little flexible.

Meeks said would it make sense to have an executive session with the commissioners.

Gary said yes.

Meeks said that's what I thought we were heading. So when would be a good time for that.

Gary said soon I would think.

Meeks said I'm gone for a week and a half. I'm leaving in ten minutes. So, the week of the 20th or later.

Gary said week of the 20th or later.

Meeks said yes.

Gary said okay how about Monday evening on June 20th. Mike would you like to input.

Mike Wickersham said I'm not sure why we need an executive session, or why you need one. We were pretty set.

Meeks said and the payment schedule that.

Mike Wickersham said again I think two things that I've not heard mentioned this morning. Our rationale on the new payment schedule is that it balances our total receipts. And the second thing is that backloading at the request of EDPR from our last meeting, we're not taking into consideration the loss of use of those funds that are backloaded in the sense of interest payments on those funds. So, we're paying those out just like others, and we got almost \$2.5 million, \$2.587 million in the last two years. So, I think that has to be a help to EDPR. I like the schedule that is presented, the company proposal that's presented by Baker Tilly. And I think the commissioners liked that too. And I didn't know where the council was on it. And we've never really been in this situation to negotiate this, of this nature. We left this, I don't even know if we can push the EDP, the agreement ourselves, or it takes both of us to sign the agreement. We're deferring to your judgment. We're not necessarily setting out that we're going to agree with you so. We're hoping you would agree with us.

Gary said right. And I do. I'm fixed with \$5.87 myself. For all the reasons that you've said Mike and the things I said. I'm just right there at \$5.87. So, we can, if we want to set an executive session, I mean, it would have to be on the 20th or more, or if the council wants to stick at \$5.87, or negotiate. But then the commissioners don't have to. It takes both, I believe Mike it takes both.

Meeks said well you are going to have to file, I mean, do the tax abatement.

Gary said yeah. We'll have to do the tax rating if the commissioners agree. If the commissioners are on the \$5,870,000 and part of the council is on the \$5.870, I don't know how much money the negotiation is going on. What would you think is negotiable? Are we talking a hundred thousand dollars? That's, we can't do this and then, we have taxpayers throughout Randolph County that do things. We have to take, in my opinion, we have to take our best information from the people we hire, Baker Tilly, to guide us, and they are guiding us this \$5.870. And I think the council needs to stay there. Does the council want to vote on that executive session to discuss that \$5.870?

Dave said I'm not really wanting an executive session. I think we have two different proposals here. I like the \$5.87.

Gary said what happens if we stay at \$5,870,000.

Chris said would it be appropriate for EDPR to propose an alternate payment stream similar.

Gary said no. I think we're at the point now Chris, we're on the last movement of this. We have to pass a resolution next to move this through.

Meeks said I think what he's asking is that we would support \$600,000.00 in year 26 and 28 if that would be appropriate for him to ask for. I think that's what you are asking. I think that's what they are asking Gary. I think you can do the resolution today. You can send the proposal and then you can say yes or no, is what, how I feel. Would that be fair Mike. That's what we kind of discussed that.

Mike Wickersham said we can look at it. I guess the rationale there is that, from 25 to 26 total payments to us, total payments by EDPR with the company proposal today, drops in half. It goes from \$3.5 million to \$1.7. That's a substantial savings on behalf of EDPR in total out lays of the projects in the county. And it's a substantial reduction of the county for total payments in the beginning. And it's a substantial reduction to the county for total payments to the county. And I think that I'm not hard-lined if the ten of us say that what Chris would propose coming through that we can live with, and it would work for us, then I would listen to that again. I think Gary and Tom would too.

Gary said well then you are going to keep it in eleven years, and you are not going to push out two years without even talking about it are you, which you did.

Chris said when we left that council meeting.

Gary said yeah.

Chris said I was of the impression that there was still a little bit of wiggle there.

Gary said I don't know how you came to this.

Chris said it's a misinterpretation.

Gary said very much so.

Meeks said I misinterpreted it too.

Gary said well we don't need an executive session. We just need you forward something to us with a total of 5.870 in eleven years.

Chris said okay.

Gary said we need to pass a resolution to get this timeline going.

Chris said let's propose, do the resolution now. And then I can email you all a proposal so the commissioners and council...

Meeks said email it to Laura and Laura will you send it out to everybody.

Gary said could you do it, could you do a favor, make sure it's palatable. I mean we have the one that I'm going to stand on already. It's not something that looks good to Randolph County.

Chris said okay. I'll take what I was going to send, hoping you would meet us in the middle.

Gary said I'm not going to.

Chris said I'll move to the middle and then I'll, I think that will probably, the most palatable thing for you.

Gary said when you talk about the middle, are you talking time or the total.

Chris said I'll take what I was going to send to you. This is what you want, what you proposed and I'll move to the middle. I think that'll make it hopefully palatable for the county.

Gary said I don't understand what you mean in the middle.

Meeks said well we'll see what it means.

Gary said alright thank you. Let's see if the resolution will pass because Meeks has to go. He's been very kind to be here for this whole hour.

Dave said real quick Gary there is a report done by Baker Tilly on May 10th, 2022, and proposed Riverstart III, has a nice schedule of the \$5.87. It's completely different than what these two here are. I'd be favorable to that.

Gary said what did you say the total was.

Dave said \$5.87.

Mike said it was the first one Baker Tilly did.

Dave said it really wasn't a large balloon payment at the last two years.

Gary said okay the county council of Randolph County, want to pass the resolution for the revitalization, area resolution, Resolution number 2022-09 Real And Personal Property Tax Abatement. This locks in our timeline. It does not lock in the numbers that would happen during the ordinance phase. So, would somebody like to make a motion to approve.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA

PRELIMINARY ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 2022-09

REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT

WHEREAS, Riverstart Solar Park III LLC (“**Riverstart**”) intends to develop a solar-powered electric generating facility in Union Township in the County, more particularly depicted on Exhibit A hereto (the land on Exhibit A is also referred to herein as the “**Real Property**”), and in the course of doing so intends to develop and construct upon the Real Estate certain improvements and/or facilities, which will consist of approximately one hundred (100) megawatts of new generating capacity (collectively, the “**Project**”);

WHEREAS, Riverstart has requested the County Council of Randolph County, Indiana (the “**Council**”) approve a ten-year real property tax deduction period and ten-year personal property tax deduction schedule for the Project;

WHEREAS, Riverstart has further requested that the Real Property be designated an economic revitalization area (an “**ERA**”) for purposes of permitting such deductions;

WHEREAS, Riverstart has advised the Council that the Project will involve significant investment in real property redevelopment or rehabilitation and new manufacturing equipment on the Real Property;

WHEREAS, Riverstart submitted to the Council a form SB-1/UD, Statement of Benefits (see Exhibit B) in connection with the Project, and provided all information and documentation necessary for the Council to make an informed decision (the “**Statement**”);

WHEREAS, the Council is authorized under the provisions of I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-1 et seq. to designate areas of the County as an ERA for the purposes described herein;

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the Statement submitted by Riverstart and has conducted a complete and proper investigation of the Real Property and determined that the area qualifies as an ERA under Indiana statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the following factors under I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-17 in

connection with the Project:

1. The total amount of Riverstart's investment in real and personal property under the Project;
 2. The number of new full-time equivalent jobs to be created under the Project;
 3. The average wage of the new employees under the Project compared to the state minimum wage; and
 4. The infrastructure requirements for the Riverstart's investment under the Project;
- (collectively, the "**Deduction Schedule Factors**").

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS FOUND, DETERMINED AND RESOLVED by the Council that:

1. That the estimate of the value of the redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property is reasonable for projects of that nature and the estimate of the cost of the new manufacturing equipment to be installed in connection with the Project is reasonable for projects of that type.

2. That the estimate of the number of individuals who will be employed or whose employment will be retained as a result of the proposed redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property and the installation of the new manufacturing equipment can reasonably be expected to result from the proposed redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property and the proposed installation of new manufacturing equipment.

3. That the estimate of annual salaries of those individuals who will be employed or whose employment will be retained can reasonably be expected to result from the proposed redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property and the proposed installation of new manufacturing equipment.

4. That the number of individual opportunities for employment, both temporary and permanent, and the compensation to be paid to employees, along with the value of the acquisition and construction of improvements as a result of the Project, create benefits of the type and quality anticipated by the Council within the ERA and can reasonably be expected to result from the proposed Project and the redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property and the proposed installation of new manufacturing equipment.

5. That the benefits described in the Statement can reasonably be expected to result from the proposed redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property and the proposed installation of new manufacturing equipment.

6. That the totality of benefits from the proposed redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property and the proposed installation of new manufacturing equipment is sufficient to

justify a real property tax deduction period and a personal property tax deduction schedule as set out herein.

7. That the Deduction Schedule Factors in connection with the Project justify granting the deduction schedule for both real and personal property under I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-17 as specified herein.

8. That the Real Property constitutes an “economic revitalization area”, as defined by I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-1(1).

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the foregoing, the Council further RESOLVES, FINDS AND DETERMINES:

1. That all of the conditions for the designation of the ERA and all of the requirements for the tax deductions to be granted hereby have been met, and the foregoing findings are true and all information required to be submitted has been submitted in proper form.

2. That the Statement submitted by Riverstart is hereby approved.

3. That the Real Property is hereby designated as an ERA pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-1 et seq.

4. Riverstart is entitled to real property tax deductions for the proposed redevelopment or rehabilitation of the Real Property as part of the Project for a period of ten years as allowed in I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-4 (as in effect on the date hereof), and personal property tax deductions for the proposed installation of manufacturing equipment as part of the Project for a period of ten years as allowed in I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-4.5(d) (as in effect on the date hereof), all in accordance with the following abatement schedule*, hereby adopted pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-17 (as in effect on the date hereof):

YEAR OF DEDUCTION	% ABATED
1	100%
2	100%
3	100%
4	100%
5	100%
6	100%
7	100%
8	100%
9	100%
10	100%

* for any aggregate cost of real property improvements and new manufacturing equipment in excess of \$175 million, Riverstart shall receive deductions in the following amounts, expressed as a portion of the assessed value: (i) first year - 100%; (ii) second year - 90%, (iii) third year - 80%, (iv) fourth year - 70%; (v) fifth year - 60 %; (vi) sixth year - 50%; (vii) seventh year - 40%; (viii) eighth year - 30%; (ix) ninth year - 20%; and (x) tenth year - 10%.

5. That notice hereof should be published according to law stating the following: the adoption and substance hereof, a copy of the description of the affected area is available for inspection in the County Assessor's Office and the setting of _____, 2022 as the date on which the Council will hear and receive remonstrances and objections and take final action, all as required by law.

6. That, notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the granting of the tax deductions described herein is conditioned on and subject to the terms to be agreed upon in an Economic Development Agreement between Riverstart and the County.

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EXHIBIT A

**PROJECT MAP
OUTLINE OF THE PROJECT AREA**

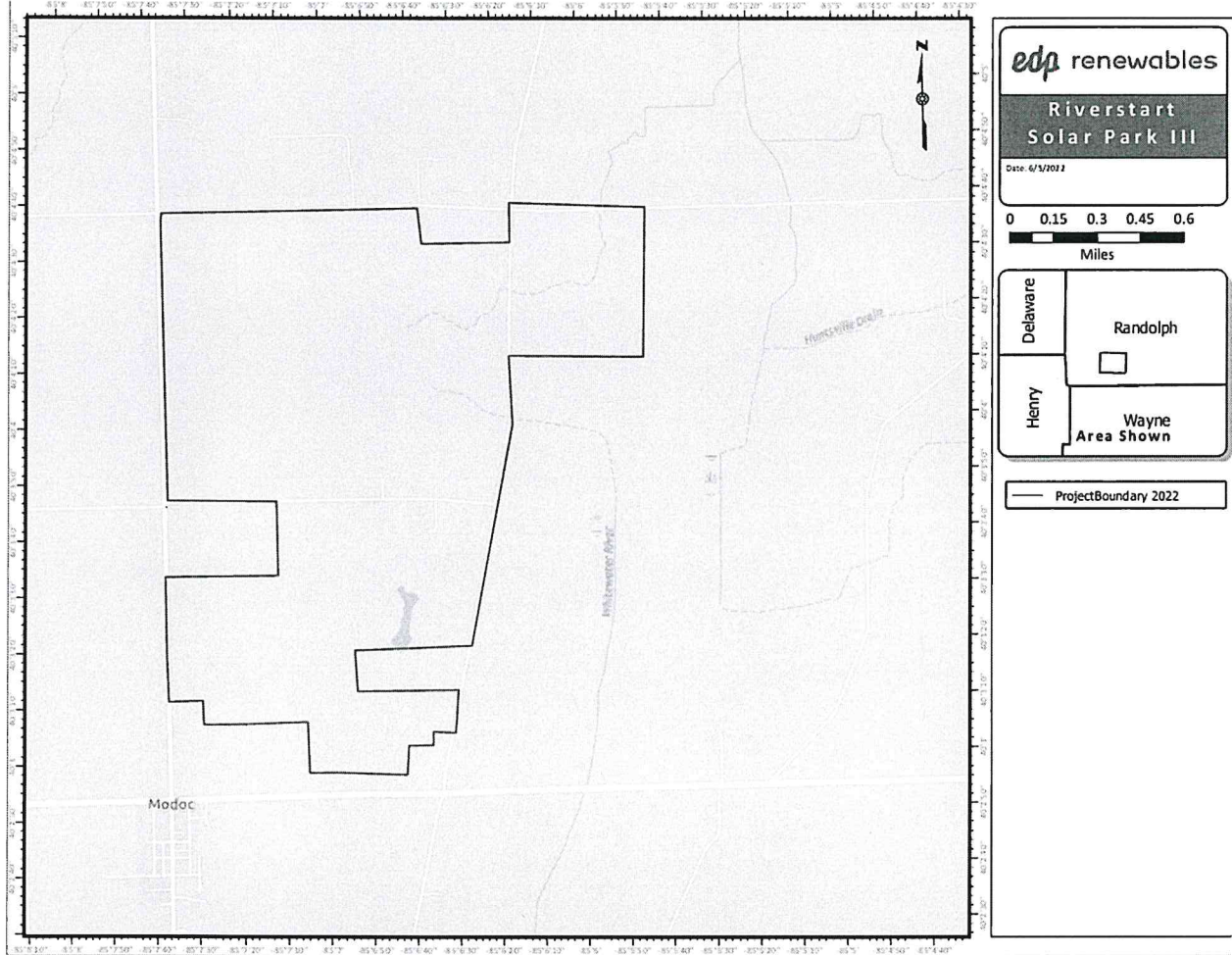


EXHIBIT B

FORM SB-1/UD, STATEMENT OF BENEFITS



**STATEMENT OF BENEFITS
UTILITY DISTRIBUTABLE PROPERTY**

State Form 52445 (R3 / 11-15)
Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

PRIVACY NOTICE

Any information concerning the cost of the property and specific salaries paid to individual employees by the property owner is confidential per IC 6-1.1-12.1-5.1.

**FORM
SB - 1 / UD**

INSTRUCTIONS:

- This statement must be submitted to the body designating the Economic Revitalization Area prior to the public hearing if the designating body requires information from the applicant in making its decision about whether to designate an Economic Revitalization Area. Otherwise this statement must be submitted to the designating body **BEFORE** a person installs the new manufacturing equipment and/or research and development equipment, and/or logistical distribution equipment and/or information technology equipment for which the person wishes to claim a deduction.
- The statement of benefits form must be submitted to the designating body and the area designated an economic revitalization area before the installation of qualifying abatable equipment for which the person desires to claim a deduction.
- To obtain a deduction, Form UD-ERA must be filed with the county assessor. Form UD-ERA must be filed between January 1 and May 15 of the assessment year in which new manufacturing equipment and/or research and development equipment and/or logistical distribution equipment and/or information technology equipment is installed and fully functional, unless a filing extension has been obtained. A person who obtains a filing extension must file the form between January 1 and the extended due date of that year.
- Property owners whose Statement of Benefits was approved must submit Form CF-1/UD annually to show compliance with the Statement of Benefits. (IC 6-1.1-12.1-5.6)
- For a Form SB-1/UD that is approved after June 30, 2013, the designating body is required to establish an abatement schedule for each deduction allowed. For a Form SB-1/UD that is approved prior to July 1, 2013, the abatement schedule approved by the designating body remains in effect. (IC 6-1.1-12.1-17)

SECTION 1 TAXPAYER INFORMATION								
Name of taxpayer Riverstar Solar Park III LLC			Name of contact person Grace Minkis					
Address of taxpayer (number and street, city, state and ZIP code) 129 E. Market St., Suite 600, Indianapolis, IN 46204			Title of contact person Project Manager					
Telephone number (317) 753-6620	Fax number ()	Telephone number (317) 995-1911	Email address of contact person grace.minkis@edp.com					
SECTION 2 LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT								
Name of designating body Randolph County Council					Resolution number			
Location of property Parcels in Union Townships			County Randolph		Taxing district 011			
Description of manufacturing equipment and/or research and development equipment and/or logistical distribution equipment and/or information technology equipment (Use additional sheets if necessary.) * See attached			ESTIMATED					
				Start Date	Completion Date			
			Manufacturing Equipment	08/01/22	12/31/2023			
			Research & Development Equipment					
			Logistical Distribution Equipment					
Information Technology Equipment								
SECTION 3 ESTIMATE OF EMPLOYEES AND SALARIES AS RESULT OF PROPOSED PROJECT								
Current number 4	Salaries >\$50,000	Number retained 4	Salaries >\$50,000	Number additional 300 (temporary)	Salaries Hourly			
SECTION 4 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST AND VALUE OF PROPOSED PROJECT								
NOTE: Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-12.1-5.1(d)(2) the COST of the property is confidential.	Manufacturing Equipment		Research & Development Equipment		Logistical Distribution Equipment		Information Technology Equipment	
	Cost	Assessed Value	Cost	Assessed Value	Cost	Assessed Value	Cost	Assessed Value
	Current values		0					
	Plus estimated values of proposed project		Attached					
	Less values of any property being replaced		0					
Net estimated values upon completion of project		Attached						
SECTION 5 WASTE CONVERTED AND OTHER BENEFITS PROMISED BY THE TAXPAYER								
Estimated solid waste converted (pounds) N/A			Estimated hazardous waste converted (pounds) N/A					
Other benefits:								
SECTION 6 TAXPAYER CERTIFICATION								
I, hereby, certify that the representations in this statement are true.								
Signature of authorized representative thomas@loturco@edo.com			Title Executive Vice President		Date signed (month, day, year) June 6, 2022			
E-mail address			Telephone number (317) 649-3268		Fax number ()			

FOR USE OF THE DESIGNATING BODY

We have reviewed our prior actions relating to the designation of this economic revitalization area and find that the applicant meets the general standards adopted in the resolution previously approved by this body. Said resolution, passed under IC 6-1.1-12.1-2.5, provides for the following limitations as authorized under IC 6-1.1-12.1-2.

A. The designated area has been limited to a period of time not to exceed 10 calendar years * (see below). The date this designation expires is N/A. *NOTE: This question addresses whether the resolution contains an expiration date for the designated area.*

B. The type of deduction that is allowed in the designated area is limited to:

1. Installation of new manufacturing equipment;	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Enhanced Abatement per IC 6-1.1-12.1-18
2. Installation of new research and development equipment;	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<i>Check box if an enhanced abatement was approved for one or more of these types.</i>
3. Installation of new logistical distribution equipment;	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
4. Installation of new information technology equipment;	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

C. The amount of deduction applicable to new manufacturing equipment is limited to \$ See Attached cost with an assessed value of \$ N/A. *(One or both lines may be filled out to establish a limit, if desired.)*

D. The amount of deduction applicable to new research and development equipment is limited to \$ N/A cost with an assessed value of \$ N/A. *(One or both lines may be filled out to establish a limit, if desired.)*

E. The amount of deduction applicable to new logistical distribution equipment is limited to \$ N/A cost with an assessed value of \$ N/A. *(One or both lines may be filled out to establish a limit, if desired.)*

F. The amount of deduction applicable to new information technology equipment is limited to \$ N/A cost with an assessed value of \$ N/A. *(One or both lines may be filled out to establish a limit, if desired.)*

G. Other limitations or conditions (specify) As set forth in that certain Economic Development Agreement dated _____, 2020.

H. The deduction for new manufacturing equipment and/or new research and development equipment and/or new logistical distribution equipment and/or new information technology equipment installed and first claimed eligible for deduction is allowed for:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 5	<input type="checkbox"/> Enhanced Abatement per IC 6-1.1-12.1-18
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year 10	Number of years approved: _____
<i>(Enter one to twenty (1-20) years; may not exceed twenty (20) years.)</i>					

I. For a Statement of Benefits approved after June 30, 2013, did this designating body adopt an abatement schedule per IC 6-1.1-12.1-17? Yes No
 If yes, attach a copy of the abatement schedule to this form.
 If no, the designating body is required to establish an abatement schedule before the deduction can be determined.

Also we have reviewed the information contained in the statement of benefits and find that the estimates and expectations are reasonable and have determined that the totality of benefits is sufficient to justify the deduction described above.

Approved by: (signature and title of authorized member of designating body)	Telephone number (765) 584-6700	Date signed (month, day, year) ____/____/2022
Printed name of authorized member of designating body	Name of designating body Randolph County Council	
Attested by: (signature and title of attester)	Printed name of attester	

* If the designating body limits the time period during which an area is an economic revitalization area, that limitation does not limit the length of time a taxpayer is entitled to receive a deduction to a number of years that is less than the number of years designated under IC 6-1.1-12.1-17.

IC 6-1.1-12.1-17

Abatement schedules

Sec. 17. (a) A designating body may provide to a business that is established in or relocated to a revitalization area and that receives a deduction under section 4 or 4.5 of this chapter an abatement schedule based on the following factors:

- (1) The total amount of the taxpayer's investment in real and personal property.
- (2) The number of new full-time equivalent jobs created.
- (3) The average wage of the new employees compared to the state minimum wage.
- (4) The infrastructure requirements for the taxpayer's investment.

(b) This subsection applies to a statement of benefits approved after June 30, 2013. A designating body shall establish an abatement schedule for each deduction allowed under this chapter. An abatement schedule must specify the percentage amount of the deduction for each year of the deduction. An abatement schedule may not exceed ten (10) years.

(c) An abatement schedule approved for a particular taxpayer before July 1, 2013, remains in effect until the abatement schedule expires under the terms of the resolution approving the taxpayer's statement of benefits.

Statement of Benefits
Utility Distributable Property
Attached Documentation

Section 2:

Description of Project

Applicant desires to develop a Solar Energy System Project in Randolph County which shall consist of approximately one hundred (100) megawatts of electricity generation. This Project will consist of solar panels and solar power generation facilities, and related improvements. The investment required in Union township will be approximately \$175 million. These cost estimates are preliminary and may change as applicant gets closer to initiation of construction. These estimates include estimated expenditures in both real and personal property in connection with the Project.

Section 3:

Estimate of Employees/Salaries as Result of Proposed Project

Applicant estimates that 3 permanent full-time employees will be employed at the completion of the project. This includes crew members and administrative staff. This is in addition to the 4 permanent EDP Renewables staff in Randolph County currently. This does not include temporary employment during the construction phase. The salary for these positions will range from approximately \$30,000-\$50,000 per year for technicians (dependent on experience); approximately \$40,000-\$45,000 for administrative staff and approximately \$80,000-\$85,000 per year for managers.

Section C of the "For Use of the Designating Body" Section

The amount of deduction applicable to new manufacturing equipment...

100% abatement over a ten (10) year schedule for real property and new manufacturing equipment with a total aggregate cost of up to \$175 million; for any aggregate cost of real property improvements and new manufacturing equipment in excess of \$175 million, applicant shall receive deductions in the following amounts, expressed as a portion of the assessed value: (i) first year - 100%; (ii) second year - 90%, (iii) third year - 80%, (iv) fourth year - 70%; (v) fifth year - 60 %; (vi) sixth year - 50%; (vii) seventh year - 40%; (viii) eighth year - 30%; (ix) ninth year - 20%; and (x) tenth year - 10%.

Max made motion to approve Resolution 2022-09. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said we need to set a public hearing date on July the 6th, correct, at 9:00 am. That is the day the council meets.

Laura said yes.

Gary said somebody want to make a motion to set a public hearing July the 6th at 9:00a.m.

Missy made motion. Max seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said okay. Send us what you have. I will look at them.

Chris said I appreciate your time.

Adam Wilson

Gary said so you need a firewall that the Commissioners have approved to upgrade a firewall.

Adam said yeah this is a, you remember when I first started an analysis, analysis of where we were security-wise. That's why we made a bunch of new awesome switches and some other things that we are still waiting on to get in. But part of that, we got another year on our firewall. I've been here a year now. And so, we've got to replace that firewall. The big difference between the firewall and the switches that we ordered is that traditionally your firewall comes with like a yearly support contract that allows you to call in and get the reporting you need from the state if you have an event. There's certain requirements we have from the state if we have like a breach or something that we have to report to the FBI and all kinds of stuff. And so, Charles Shaneyfelt is part of that a little bit too. We get those same kind of emails. And having that contract allows us to call them, get that correct report and have it certified correctly and it verifies all that stuff, so in layman's terms.

Gary said that was layman's terms.

Adam said that was it, yeah, yeah.

Gary said okay. I believe you so will we have additional appropriation.

Laura said well we don't have it yet. We will advertise for one but the commissioners approved paying, and I think it was \$23,000.00 and something out of ARPA for that.

Mike Wickersham said \$23,950 for a three-year maintenance on two fire walls. That won't be back next year.

Gary said someone want to make a motion to approve that expenditure.

Max made a motion to approve this expenditure out of ARPA. Dave seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Adam said the only other thing is they spent ARPA funds for a new server at the highway department. So, the highway department, when they build that building, initially, there was some things that they did that weren't necessarily in line with what you do IT wise. They have a fuel station out there that they run, that's on 24/7. They have a truck tracking software that's on 24/7. Then they have some charting software they use as a specialty out there, that everybody in the building needs access to. All those things are generally put on a centralized server because they run all the time, they've got to be backed up. They're high priority, important things. They're running from windows on pcs right now. And so, my suggestion is that we take and put a satellite server for this on a current scale out there at the highway building so that they have access to that information. And we have 100% of the time backup ability and all that kind of stuff. It should have been done when it was built, really, at the end of the day, because the connection that we have to them is like a small like, secure connection, but it isn't necessarily quick. So, I can't take those systems and put them on our servers because of the connection that we have out there. So, it kind of ties my hands on where we can put that data.

Gary said that's the commissioners' procedure, have you talked to the commissioners about that.

Adam said yes we did yesterday.

Mike Wickersham said if I could.

Gary said yes please Mike.

Mike Wickersham said we did approve the purchase of that server for the highway department out of ARPA funds. But in addition, because a report from the highway department concerning their 1176 fund and their 1173 fund, evidently we, like other counties around us have been spending maintenance labor out of 1173, which INDOT does not, they frowned upon all that. They want it to stop. I think the highway department is unsure whether they have to reimburse the 1173 for maintenance labor or what that situation is, but what it does is it puts their 1176 fund in kind of jeopardy into how much is really in there. Where it looks like there's a lot in there to pay for a server or to pay for previously approved IT equipment at the highway department, which we previously approved, and we are going to pay out of 1176, they did not pay it. So, in addition to the server, in the amount of \$6,700.00, we added to that out of ARPA the additional IT pcs in connection and in layman's terms, all that stuff at the highway department for a total of \$17,277.00 is what we took out of ARPA to cover those highway IT expenses. And that was really a reversal of the previous decision because we want to try to preserve that 1176 fund, so we don't have to replenish it the rest of the year. So, I guess, and I think there's some concern about how much was going to be needed in that fund, because of the maintenance, coming out of 1173. So that's what we did. So, in answer to your question, he did talk to us yesterday, the highway department and we agreed to do all that.

Gary said okay. So that leaves us needing to approve an appropriation a total of what. \$17,277.

Laura said on top of the one you just did, yeah.

Gary said alright any questions on that. Someone want to make a motion for that.

Missy made motion. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Report from Commissioners

Mike Wickersham said I've got a couple other things to add. First off, Funder's Forum, we did approve the commissioners' representative on that board over the next three years from EDIT funds. We think it's an appropriate expense out of EDIT funds. One of the things we see is that forum, and hopefully, it'll be a broader based group than the commissioners, would be able to consider and make grants to a lot of groups that come into the commissioners for the smaller grants. So, we can defray that to another group and we will be a participant on that. And we'd be glad to have the council as a participant, get that our next meeting either in writing or whoever attends would want to make a request to do that from EDIT funds, I'll go on the record here to say I would be in favor of that. Not sure how Gary and Tom would feel about that. The other thing we talked about is Joe Copeland presented to us a long-term bridge plan, and I think you probably saw the one he presented several months ago. Well he's revised it, and in the revision, because of additional costs of materials and other matters, he's determined that over the next six years, the county is going to have to find about \$933,000.00 for those bridge projects, as opposed to the \$750,000.00 in his first go around. And that doesn't, I'm not sure if it covers culverts or not, but we spent money to inspect culverts. He's gone out and inspected all the ones under six feet, and he started the repair of some of those. So, the culvert repair is going on. I think we are bringing our bridges, at least we've got a plan to bring our bridges come forward. And the highway, as far as chip and seal and paving, we're going to manage with the employees that we have out there. He's got a plan to do that. And then we also renewed our health insurance yesterday. And our health insurance was an increase of 7.2%, I don't know if you're privy to this or not.

Gary said I'm aware. Is everybody aware.

Mike Wickersham said 7.2%, which is not a bad increase, although it's a 10% increase on what we actually paid last year. 7.2% increase on what we expected to pay, but 10% on what we actually paid. We left the employee share the same and both for family and single, and the benefit package stayed the same for the employee and their families.

Gary said you mean Mike is the HSA accounts and the higher deductible inducive, local expenditures to the county before the stop loss gap?

Mike said well I think so. I don't know that for a fact that our projective cost last year was \$2.8 million, and our total payout last year was \$2,055,000, so it was a savings of over \$200,000.00 in what was expected. And you could I suppose, relate that to a healthier group or the HSA, don't know.

Gary said our appropriation should be able to handle \$200,000.00 increase and then just continue on.

Mike said yeah our expected cost this year is 2.265. The county cost is \$2,078,000 last year the county cost was \$1.8 million. I'll answer any questions anybody has.

Gary said you had an executive session with the towers and all this.

Mike said well the communication project is moving ahead. I think it's working other than the highway department has an issue that when their signal goes out, it blocks the communication signal. So, there's an issue out there on the highway tower. They're trying to rectify that. Chris is in discussion with the local agencies to program their radios so they'll work with our system. And I just got an email this morning that our architect engineer is refusing to help in that matter because he hasn't been paid since June of 2021. We had a meeting scheduled with him last week. He cancelled it at 1:00 a.m. that morning. And so that could have been resolved last week and it wasn't. We met with MPX Steel yesterday and they're the ones that we've withheld some payments on as well. And they seemed like they were on top of their project and work they did. And their concern was with their communication with Pyramid as well. So, we have an executive session scheduled at 11:00 on June 20th to talk to MPX and hopefully Pyramid will be there too, hopefully getting this all resolved. But it is working. We have some issues with the north tower which we've known about for a while. The building out there is under water. It was reported yesterday that we have an insect infestation. Not all, but some of the little buildings and that could create problems with the electronics in those buildings. That's being taken care of as well.

Gary said what kind of bugs are you talking about.

Mike said that question was asked and no one had an answer for that so I assume if it could void the warranty it's something that needs attention.

Gary said anyone have anything for Mike?

Mike Wickersham said I failed to do this yesterday, but she thanked Laura, I think on behalf of the Commissioners, I'd like to thank Ceann on her service to the county on the short term she's been in there. But I think she's going to bigger and better things for herself and for another organization that would benefit from her talents.

Gary said well I believe that the \$650,000.00 wouldn't have happened if you didn't have some push in there. I was expecting a whole lot less. I really was. Okay thank you Mike.

Ken Hendrickson, Randolph County Sheriff – Additional funding for new vehicle

Ken said the sheriff is gone. What happened, vehicles went up which we had perceived. So, I'm not here to negotiate \$170 million or anything like that. I just need \$16 grand for two cars. We're going to, like we normally do, we're going to buy one car out of the commissary, but we cannot sustain the \$43,000 plus \$16,000.00. So, what we're asking is \$16,000, \$8,000 apiece for two cars. The cars are going like hot cakes right now. When it came out that our dealer had these cars, he had to sign immediately or we weren't going to get any of them. Now they had a, one dealer came out with a hundred and they were gone within 48 hours. So, we just can't get vehicles. So, we're looking for \$16,000 for two cars.

Gary said Art called me as well. Do we have any discussions? The commissioners approved it with ARPA. Because it was coming through cum cap, the cum cap can't take it.

Ken said right, it's whatever everybody decides what.

Gary said do we have a motion to approve out of ARPA.

Tom made a motion to approve with ARPA. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said okay what else?

Ken said that's it, that's all I have.

Minutes March 8, 2022

Gary said Minutes of March 8, 2022. Somebody want to make a motion to accept them.

Max made a motion to accept. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Alcohol Beverage Board appointment

Gary said okay Alcohol Beverage Board appointment, has anybody come up with anybody. I can make a phone call today. I had somebody but they just wanted to take some time. Does anybody know, is that a party specific position. Does that require a balance of republican, democrat? I don't think it does.

Laura said I'll check when I get back.

Gary said would you text me or something. The guy I'm talking to is a republican.

Comp time report

Gary said comp time report. Just pass it around.

Ordinance 2022-16 Admin Fee on Foreclosure sales

Gary said Administration fee and foreclosures, Ordinance 2022-16. What changes are on there.

Laura said I know there was an IC change.

Gary said \$300,00. Is that going to \$300.00 for foreclosure fees.

Ken said I'm sorry.

Gary said foreclosure fees for the sheriff.. On the ordinance does that move it to \$300.

Ken said yes. Statute's now allowing that.

Gary said so we have an ordinance here to raise the sheriff's mortgage foreclosure sales cost to \$300.00.

ORDINANCE 2022-16

AN ORDINANCE OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA,
AMENDING AND RESTATING THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEE
IN CONNECTION WITH FORECLOSURE SALES

CONDUCTED BY THE SHERIFF

WHEREAS, I. C. 32-29-7-3 to allow a Sheriff to charge an administrative fee of not more than Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars with respect to a mortgage foreclosure under that statute; and

WHEREAS, I. C. 32-29-7-10 requires the Sheriff to record a deed and file a sales disclosure form after any foreclosure sale.

WHEREAS, the costs incurred in Randolph County in connection with administering mortgage foreclosures includes clerical time, sheriff time, deputy time, mileage to post notices, and costs of utilities. There are also costs for a transfer fee to the Auditor of Randolph County for each parcel; and costs for the recording of deeds to the Recorder of Randolph County.

WHEREAS, the Council now finds that the costs directly attributed to the administration of foreclosure sales under I.C. 32-29-7-3 are in the amount of \$300.00.

NOW THEREFORE, the Randolph County Council hereby adopts and approves the following ordinance:

- Sec. 1. The Randolph County Code is hereby amended to include the following authorized charges by the Sheriff of Randolph County:
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| Sheriff Mortgage Foreclosure Sale Costs | \$300.00 |
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- Sec. 2. The fees collected are to be deposited in the County General Fund for appropriation of the operating expenses of the Sheriff's Department.

Max made motion for Council to pass Ordinance 2022-16 after the first reading by title only. Dave seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Max made motion to suspend the rules and have the 2nd and 3rd reading by title only and adopt on the same day. Rick seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Max made a motion that Council adopt Ordinance 2022-16. Bev seconded. All votes. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2022-18 Salary Ordinance amendment (Auditor)

Gary said ordinance 2022-18 and 19 amendment.

Laura said this is so, for part-time help in my office to help type minutes and training for Angela's replacement when I find someone is why I need it. I gave up my part-time money back when we did the cuts, so I'm asking for some part-time money back.

Gary said this \$10,000.00 is for part-time person to do this correct.

Laura said well there will probably be more than one part-time. I'll just use them, use it as part-time pay.

Gary said Does someone make a motion to approve this on the first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-18
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 2021-21
AMENDING RANDOLPH COUNTY'S AUDITOR'S BUDGET

WHEREAS: There has been a change in the 2022 Salary Ordinance with regard to the Randolph County Auditor's Budget and it is necessary to amend the 2022 Salary Ordinance and to establish the Part time Clerical pay in the Salary Ordinance effective with the pay date of July 1, 2022 as follows:

COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE
PART TIME CLERICAL
\$14.00 PER HOUR

IT IS THEREFORE ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF RANDOLPH COUNTY INDIANA THAT:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 2021-21 Salary Ordinance pertaining to Randolph COUNTY'S AUDITOR'S OFFICE shall be amended to read as follows:

COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE
PART TIME CLERICAL
\$14.00 PER HOUR

Bev made motion. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Max said I move the rules be suspended, the 2nd and 3rd reading by title only and adopt on the same day.

Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said someone make a motion to adopt.

Rick made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-18. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion granted.

Ordinance 2022-19 Salary Ordinance amendment

Gary said this is ordinance 2022-19. This is reflecting a bonus for employees for this year. On the salary committee, are you chairing it?

Dave said yes.

Gary said would you like to explain this for everybody.

Dave said we've been meeting weekly for the last three weeks. We will continue to meet weekly. But what we'd like to do this year is to present a bonus to employees of \$1,500.00. \$750 being payable July 1, and \$750 being available November 4th. And then we're going to sit down and I guess we have another meeting Friday, we'll be looking at all wages and doing our best to get some of these people back up to where they need to be.

Laura said you might mention that's part-time.

Dave said okay and then part-time bonus would be \$750.

Gary said \$375.00 increments.

Dave said and that's based on 21 hours or more.

Gary said so part-time has to be 21 hours or more.

Dave said right. Back to trying to get these wages up, we'll be meeting weekly until we get the plan in place. I know we've had a lot of good discussion. Max is on it, Bev is on it and Mike Wickersham, is part of that team trying to put that together. I think we'll have some good results for 2023.

Gary said Max anything you want to add.

Max no.

Gary said Bev.

Bev said no.

Gary said okay would one of you like to make a motion for the first reading of ordinance 2022-19 by title motion to amend the salary ordinance. Number 2021-21 amending various Randolph County budgets.

Bev made s motion to approve Ordinance 2022-19. Max seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Max moved rules be suspended, have 2nd and 3rd reading in title only and adopted the same day. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said somebody want to make a motion to adopt ordinance 2022-19.

Missy made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-19. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said for the record this bonus excludes elected officials.

Loan /Grant Form

Laura said Dave gave us last time, I don't know if anybody looked at it or made any changes, I just put it on there because I didn't.

Gary said do we have an official form now?

Dave said no we are still trying to figure out if we need to add or delete to this information. Why don't we put it on for next month again just to review and make sure?

Missy said I think it's a really good idea, waiting for more information for people coming in and

And we don't know anything. A lot of times they don't, it just gives you that.

Dave said it's just to study a project for us. So, when it comes here, I have no clue.

Additional Appropriations:

General Auditor 1001 General	
Part-Time Clerical	\$10,000.00

Gary said okay. Moving on we have additional appropriations from the general fund for the auditor, part-time \$10,000.00. We approved the ordinance.

Max made a motion to approve. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

EDIT 1112	
RC School – Welding	\$86,271.41

Gary said okay out of the EDIT funds the \$86,271. for Randolph Central School. Motion to approve.

Bev made a motion to approve. Rick seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Highway 1173	
Paving Line	\$500,000.00

Gary said highway paving line 1173, \$500,000. Create a paving line. And put \$500,000.00 from 1173, correct. And this is just making a line in the account 1173.

Laura said right.

Gary said somebody make a motion for approval.

Tom made a motion to approve. Dave seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Highway 1173	
Gas/Fuel/Oil	\$40,000.00

Gary said Highway, gas/fuel and oil, from 1173, \$40,000.00 adding to the line of account 1173.

Missy said come out of a budget that he already has set up.

Gary said the budget has an excess of 1173, the line is now short, so the money exists.

Laura said there's cash there. It's not appropriated.

Missy made a motion to approve. Rick seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Highway – Landfill Host Fees
Road Projects \$700,000.00

Gary said Landfill host fees appropriates \$700,000.00 for road projects.

Max made a motion to approve. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Next Era Windfarm 4913
UC Housing project loan \$105,000.00

Gary said okay the Next Era Windfarm 4913. This is part of the loan for the Union City Housing project. It's a \$105,000.00.

Rick made a motion to approve. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Headwater's II 4924
UC Housing project loan \$245,000.00

Gary said we have one from Headwater's II for \$245,000.00 which is the remainder of the balance for the loan for Union City's Housing project.

Missy made a motion to approve. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said in case someone's not familiar, it's a seven-year repayment loan.

Highway (Riverstart Solar)
Paving \$80,000.00

Gary said Highway Riverstart Solar, paving. So, it's Riverstart Solar Park \$80,000.00.

Laura said EDPR gave us that \$80,000 for paving.

Max made a motion to approve. Dave seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

ARPA 8950
T-Hanger grant match \$36,027.15

Gary said the hanger grant match. This is from ARPA \$36,027.15 for the airport.

Max made a motion to approve. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

ARPA
Ambulance, cot and Loading system \$260,000.00

Gary said now we've already approved on the ambulance.

Transfers

E911

\$3,400.00

Equipment

Service Contracts

\$4,000.00

Equipment

Maintenance

Gary said transfer 1222 E911 from equipment to service contracts for \$3,400.00, from equipment to maintenance for \$4,000.00.

Rick made motion. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

EMS

\$10,000.00

Asst Director/Paramedic

Collection Agency

Gary said we have EMS for assistant director/paramedic to the collection agency, \$10,000.00. Want to make a motion for that transfer.

Max made motion. Dave seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments (3-minute limit)

Gary said we're down to any comments from the citizens. Anybody have anything for the council. Yes sir. I would have brought you up earlier.

Dave Daly said oh that's okay. I'm not on the agenda and I really don't have any business to present to you today, but I would like to get on the agenda for the next meeting if I could please. I've got a murder trial coming up August 1st. And I think I talked to you all about this maybe last year when we were originally set for this murder trial in June of last year. I got three people that I need to fly into Indiana to appear for this trial. This is the Monte Cook case. Monte Cook is alleged to have committed this crime, stole a car, drove down to Tennessee, then over to Arkansas, then picked up a ride that he got on Craig's list with somebody, and ended up being arrested in Kingman, Arizona. So, I have a detective from Arkansas who recovered the car and processed the car. He's an essential witness. I got a detective out in Arizona who actually arrested Monte Cook out in Arizona. And then I've got this individual who rode with Mr. Cook from Arkansas all the way out to Kingman, Arizona where he eventually was robbed by Monte Cook. He is now a doctor practicing medicine in Morgantown, West Virginia. But anyway, I am going to have some extraordinary expenses, and I'm thinking they're probably going to be about \$3,000.00. At least two of these individuals, I'm probably going to have to put up at the hotel here in Winchester, have them testify the morning, the day after they arrive, they'll be put in in the hotel. So, I'm going to try to get on the agenda for next month if I could and present you with some of this. And I would like to try to see if I can arrange some funding for all of this. My thought would be that I would just put all of this on personal credit card and then submit a claim to the council.

Gary said also with your court schedule, you shouldn't sit there, I would have stopped any of this and just, I asked Laura, I said is Dave have an agenda. I mean, I wouldn't want you to sit back there for an hour.

Dave Daly said no I'm not on the agenda so I didn't want to step in front of anybody so. But I just kind of wanted to throw all of this at you now so that if I came back next month, do you know when the next meeting is.

Gary said July the 6th.

Dave Daly said okay I won't be here. I may ask Kelly Smithson to come up and present all this. I'll try to get something together in writing for you to look at.

Laura said do you know when that trial is.

Dave Daly said August 1st.

Laura said okay so we probably need to get an appropriation for that ready. Do you think it's going to be around \$3,000 or do you think more?

Dave Daly said well I'm looking at airline tickets.

Laura said because they're high.

Dave Daly said they are about \$700 or \$800. I'm going to talk to Cheryl.

Laura said if you can get me a roundabout figure so I can get an appropriation in.

Gary said round up to \$5,000, so we won't end up short. But we, the court's are busy I know, just raise your hand I'd seen you and brought you between categories.

Dave Daly said thank you.

Gary said anybody else.

Missy said I do have one, actually had a question from a constituent again, is that, not talking about police cars, not talking about police officers. But employees driving a car during a time period when they know they are not on duty, and they see them even possibly out of state with that car. And with the gas prices, do we have any kind of guidelines that we tell our employees who are given a car, where they can and can't take that car, and when they can and can't take the car. You can't decide you are going to dinner in Greenville and drive it.

Gary said if we do, it would be by way of the commissioners. Or it's also a question to ask Meeks. If there's something there, probably needed to make the proper procedures.

Missy said yeah it just came up. So, I thought, and it's a good question, especially with gas prices going up.

Gary said yeah well and gas prices.

Missy said right, yeah.

Gary said and I told Mike, thank you Ceann for your service to Randolph County. Randolph County United. Thank you. Enjoy your new position.

Ceann said thank you.

Gary said anybody else.

Missy said I want to clarify that. That's county owned vehicles that they are driving.

Gary said got you.

Dave said I know some counties, Missy, they've, won't allow them to drive them outside the county unless it's official business.

Gary said we certainly need to start with our attorney and the commissioners. Alright hearing nothing else, would someone make a motion to adjourn.

Adjournment

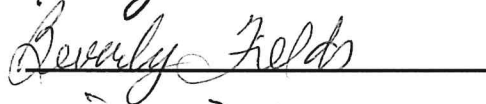
Rick made motion to adjourn. Bev seconded. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Reviewed and accepted this 4 day of October, 2022.

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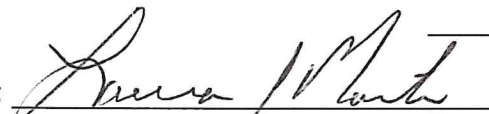










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