

Randolph County Council

July 6, 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

Public Hearing upon the application for Determination of the Economic Revitalization Area filed by Riverstart Solar Park III LLC

Gary said it's 9:00 am I will now open the Public hearing. Does anybody want to come up and address the Council. With no one coming forward we will now close the public hearing on the Riverstart III abatement.

Chris Beasley & Grace Minkis – Riverstart III EDA

Gary said now we will open up the July Randolph County Council meeting. First up is Chris Beasley and Grace Minkis from Riverstart from EDPA. What the Council needs to do today to send off to the Commissioners which proposal because there's more than one proposal. And the council needs to decide which proposal we want to present to the commissioners for the EDA agreement. Do you have anything to add before we start the discussion on that.

Chris said I don't think so. We've, I feel like we've explained the topic.

Gary asked does Council have anything?

Gary said okay we have the proposals that your company provided, which the council sent back proposal number two, which we had our financial consultants work with us on it and then you folks come back with proposal three. And then of course, Councilman Lenkensdofer, he even had one to put up there. So, with the council, is there any problem with the council which one we want to approve and send off to the commissioners for their approval. I would like to stick with two, everybody is familiar with the battering back and forth of one and two. So, we'll see where the vote is on that. Missy which one would you like to see us stay with.

Missy said, any, well two or three and the county one. And Dave I really appreciated yours. I just felt like it kind of, was a compromise between the county and EDPR.

Gary said Bev.

Bev said I agree, in agreement with Missy on that one, and I will say two.

Gary said two. Rick.

Rick said I'm good with two or three. I liked Dave's.

Gary said Dave's is not three, Dave's is four.

Rick said Dave's is four. Three or four.

Gary said Max.

Max said two or three are fine with me.

Gary said Dave.

Dave said you know me, I've always been the outspoken one, but I've always been willing to compromise. What I was wanting for, I was wanting to see more money up front. I still see they've left it with a back load about \$1.1 million for each year. But whatever, two or four is what I'm good with.

Gary said Tom.

Tom said same. Prefer two.

Gary said okay somebody make a motion for two and see how many votes there are.

Meeks said and two is exactly which one.

Gary said two is the one from Baker Tilly.

Bev said I'll propose that we consider the Baker Tilly proposal, number two.

Gary said okay we have a motion for the Baker Tilly proposal number two. Do we have a second?

Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said okay we will go with two as we have previously discussed. Tom Chalfant, do you mind speaking up on that. Is the commissioners, are they prepared to go with number two.

Tom Chalfant said I believe so, yes.

Dave said for the record, could we read those numbers.

Gary said sure. Okay county proposal number two is in the year 2024 for \$200,000, 2025, \$200,000, and 2026, \$600,000, 2027, \$ 600,000, 2028, \$600,000, 2029, \$200,000, 2030, \$200,000, 2031, \$200,000, 2032, \$550,000, 2033, \$1,160,000, 2034, \$1,360,000, for a total of \$5,870,000.00. Sound right to everybody. Okay. Anything further from anyone on this. Anything further from you.

Chris said that's it. It's a truly unique project given the current times. And we really appreciate you all taking the time to work with us and discuss with us. I know this is out of the norm. You've got a good system but sometimes you've just got to figure out a little bit. So, appreciate you all. Looking forward to building this project starting this fall, and continuing to work with Randolph County. You've all been a great partner.

Gary said before you go on, Dave had done a slide sheet or spread sheet to show at the annual conference and we're glad, and I'm sure Dave can reinforce that you are partners with Randolph County.

Dave said I can get that copy of the power point if you'd like.

Chris said I'd like to see it yeah.

Gary said alright Meeks.

Meeks said the resolution contemplates that we have the EDA Ordinance signed. So, we don't want to pass that today. We just got the numbers. The commissioners, it's planned at the commissioners at the next commissioner meeting will be signing all the documents. That's two weeks. So, the question would be to do the resolution, we could do that at your next meeting in August, but that doesn't work for you guys. You could let us know and we could have a special meeting in two weeks. So, it's up to you guys, up to the council.

Dave said I won't be here.

Gary said you won't be in the August meeting.

Dave said no.

Gary said okay what's your time limit. This is an ordinance isn't it.

Meeks said it's a resolution.

Chris said so we can sign all the county agreements without having this resolution passed.

Meeks said but if the resolution doesn't pass, if it doesn't pass, then we don't have a tax abatement. So, then there's probably no EDA at that point, except premised on the idea of a tax abatement. So, this resolution would need to be passed, I mean at some point in time.

Chris said so you need to fully pass the resolution before we can sign the county agreement.

Meeks said no we need to sign the county agreement, then pass the resolution.

Chris said oh, as long as we have the signed county agreements, the resolution time line won't be delayed by.

Gary said so we need to do this at the August meeting.

Chris said as far as permitting is concerned.

Meeks said you'll have the decommissioned agreement and everything.

Chris said okay that's fine.

Gary said okay looks like we're good to go.

Chris said thanks for listening.

Missy said everybody really should know, Dave and Bev and I attended the state Association of county councils, and Dave did a presentation. And there were people from other counties wanting to find out, how did you get this done, did you have opposition in your county. And then the Lieutenant Governor wanted to know more about what we were doing in Randolph County.

Dave said she and I go way back. We ran for the county commissioners at the same time back in 1992. So, real nice lady.

Gary said thank you.

Sherri Thompson, Eric Devon, Randolph County Sanitarian – Introduction, Grant application, Salary Ordinance amendment 2022-20

Gary said I'd asked Sherri if you could come because I didn't know who you were, just heard rumor. I'm Gary Friend. Welcome.

Eric said thank you.

Gary said anybody got anything they'd like to ask Eric.

Tom said nice to put a face with the name.

Sherri said we would have been here sooner, but he been training. He's been working hard.

Gary said not everything is this awkward. Alright we've, before the health department goes, we have a grant for \$1,000.00 you are applying for.

Sherri said yes.

Gary said what exactly is it.

Sherri said basically the state came in, they needed a survey done. They said hey, if you'll fill out this survey, we'll give you a thousand dollars to use for expenses for anything in your office. So basically, that's what it is.

Gary said okay. Somebody make a motion for the health department to approve the application for the grant.

Missy made a motion to approve the application for this grant. Max seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said anything else.

Sherri said just the salary ordinance.

Gary said alright we have ordinance number 2022-20. It is the amendment for the \$5,000.00 paid for through grants for which health nurse, by title.

Sherri said the school liaison.

Gary said school liaison, which we passed last month to bring it forward to this month. So, would someone make a motion for ordinance number 2022-20 to amend the salary ordinance number 2021-21 amending Randolph County's health department budget.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-20
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 2021-21
AMENDING RANDOLPH COUNTY'S HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET

WHEREAS: There has been a correction to Ordinance No. 2022-10 with regard to the Randolph County's Health Department Budget and it is necessary to amend the 2022 Salary Ordinance and to change the following pay in the Salary Ordinance effective beginning July 15, 2022 pay as follows:

HEALTH CO-OP AGREEMENT
GRANT NURSE/SCHOOL LAISON
\$384.62 BI-WEEKLY

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

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 2021-21, 2022 Salary Ordinance pertaining to Randolph County's HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET shall be amended to read as follows:

HEALTH CO-OP AGREEMENT
GRANT NURSE/SCHOOL LAISON
\$384.62 BI-WEEKLY

Max made motion for Council to pass Ordinance 2022-20 after the first reading.

Gary said we have a motion to pass ordinance 2022-20 at the first reading. Do we have a second?

Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried

Max said I move that the rules be suspended, have the second and third reading by title only and adopted the same day.

Dave seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Max said I move that the council adopt ordinance 2022-20.

Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said now anything else.

Sherri said I just want to let everybody know that instead of the house closing in June, we had been offered to extend the test site until December from the state, since the numbers are going up.

Gary said how far are they going up?

Sherri said I think right now we have between 35 and 40 active.

Gary said what did we get down to.

Sherri said we got down to like zero.

Gary said thank you.

Lisa Jennings – Forum of Funders

Gary said Lisa. Thank you for coming. This is an explanation of the funders forum.

Lisa said good morning. We are here to discuss and answer questions about the forum of funders initiative for the county again. I could re-cap some comments from last time, the history.

Gary said yeah well I don't know if we need a re-cap, unless anybody here needs a recap. Everybody had a month to think about how we are going to present the vote, whether we wanted to vote for a Windfarm use of the funding or make a recommendation to the commissioners for the extra money in behalf of the council through EDIT.

Laura said the commissioners approved using EDIT.

Gary said for the council portion?

Laura said yes.

Gary said that leads to a council member being appointed to the board. I think this gentleman is going to give council a little bit more of what the funders forum does and has done, correct.

Lisa said yes this is Brian Frederick. He's the consultant we've been working with along the way. He's been very helpful. I do want to say thank you for that and we're glad to have you as part of the forum.

Brian said I ran a community foundation outside of Cleveland, Ohio for about twenty years. A little bit larger, but it started the same time as the one here, the same size as the one here in Randolph County. I have been around for a while. I retired three and a half years ago. Have been doing some consulting and have been working with Lisa in Randolph County for about two and a half years I think. While, what's relevant today is we started a similar collaborative of funders in northeast Ohio. And I had the opportunity of being chair of it for a number of years. The focus, it was purely economic development, but the reasons we started it and the benefits we gained from it I think are very much what Lisa and the county is looking for here. And you've got a situation where you've got a group of people that worked a long time to look at some things that could really benefit the quality of life in Randolph County through the community conversations. And one of the big challenges after that is you can come up with great ideas, but how do you get funding for it. And how do you get people behind it. The idea of forum funders, forum of funders is to rally the funding community to live together collaboratively, when we want to fund. And have people be able to put some skin in the game, have people be able to have some say, and most importantly, build some trust and some common consideration among the many funders. Now you can take the ideas back and you can go to each foundation, the United Way, hospital foundations, county council, county commission, and present to each one, and each entity could make a decision. The idea here is that everybody put some money into a common pool and collectively every entity that puts money into it has a vote. You're building trust, you're building a sense of what's in the county. For a foundation, it's great because it gives them a perspective on funders and needs that they sometimes don't see when they only have non-profit organizations that come into it. It has a base amount of what the forum of funder is asking for as a commitment of \$10,000.00 a year for three years to have a

vote. We want to keep it low enough so that you can, it's right for Randolph County. In northeast Ohio our fund was \$33,000.00 a year for three years. You had to put a hundred grand into it. It is one organization, one vote. So, if your organization wants to see more impact and put some more money into it, they still only get a vote. And that was a very real consideration for us because everything we did was per capita. And what it did was it left the smaller entities out. The Cleveland foundation is the big behemoth in northeast Ohio they've got 2 billion dollars in assets. And what they said always went and so they were the ones who initiated the idea of let' have one vote for entity. What that doe is it gives the same vote to a smaller organization, a smaller foundation to be part of that. It really elevates leadership and trust within the community. It was a different way of doing business. Nobody had ever done that before. The fund for economic future in northeast Ohio has been going for almost twenty years now. We've had over 130 different foundations, governmental entities, businesses that have dissipated and we've actually pooled more than a 150 million dollars, which is to me, is amazing. The first three years, our foundation put in a hundred thousand dollars. I got to tell you that hurt. That was a big chunk of our grant making budget. The Cleveland foundation put in ten million. And they still got a vote and we got a vote. And it worked. And it has really paid out. So, I'd be glad to answer any questions. I don't have a lot of the answers because the model that's out there, Delaware county has done it, there's a number of different funders forums out there. The key and Lisa have been working hard on this, the key is you guys have to figure out what's the right model to work here in Randolph County. What works in terms of how you are going to make decisions, how you are going to look at projects, what you want to see from the projects. And that can all be done, but you basically need to do that as a group. I believe now that you, you've got or will have very quickly, five founding members. And I'm hopeful that that can be doubled or tripled within the next couple of years. But you've got a critical mass now to get together and begin starting the work and begin funding some of these good ideas that are coming out of the community conversations. So, at that, I'll be happy to answer any questions or Lisa.

Gary said I don't have any. I've listened to before, but I thought the council would enjoy how this all works. Does Council have anything.

Bev said I think it sounds like a wonderful idea.

Missy said I was a little pessimistic about it so I called Lisa and said Lisa can you answer these. And she said better yet, we'll get on a zoom call. And for an hour, I can tell my questions to both of them I guess. And I was really pleased when that conversation was over. I was concerned that, our we going to continue to be a bank as somebody said one day. And this really solves that problem with us getting equal representation. I really appreciate your work and I appreciate your hour on that day too.

Brian said no problem.

Gary said and the commissioners have already voted to put \$30,000 so the council will have a vote. So, thanks to the Commissioners for that. And that's all I have. Anybody have anything else.

Laura said I wonder if you guys should vote that you want to do it, even though the commissioners said they would give you the money.

Gary said would somebody want to make a motion that the council be involved.

Dave made a motion for Council to be part of the Randolph County Funder's Forum. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said when do meet?

Brian said the committee from the foundation is meeting today and what I'm encouraging them is start talking to all the five funders that are involved and I would say yeah, start thinking about it within certainly, the next month or two.

Gary said so in August we can have on our agenda to appoint the new member. Alright thank you.

Julie Wilson, Extension office – program update

Julie said good morning. We're just here to give you an extension update, quarterly from those who are in the loop of all the things that are going on. In your packet, there's lots of information. There is all three of our latest news letters. There is a fair flyer. There's just a lot of stuff that's going on. I'll talk first about the 4-H program. We have about 690 members currently in the 4-H program. That's a little bit up. Covid was hard on us. So, we've been able to increase that number. We had a summer camp where we went to camp Higher Ground. There were 19 children from Randolph County that went. There were three high school students that served as councilors for the younger children. We had 19 there. We had a mini bus and I had kids in my car and another car to go down. We had four kids attend Purdue Academy, which is a three-day event on campus. On Purdue University campus they spend two nights in the dorms and they get emerged into a career area that they are interested in. So, we had one go into, there was a drone one, there was an engineer one, I forget what the other two signed up for. They got to spend three days on campus interacting with professors and all sorts of fun stuff. Eating in the dining court, getting that college experience, college readiness. That was a really fun event. One of our children from our county, Clay Smith a Monroe Central student was actually interviewed and was previewed on Indiana 4-H their you tube page on his experience in that engineering program. I thought that was really awesome for him. I did a drone stem program this spring over spring break and we had nine third to fifth grade students come. They got to fly drones. We got into the science behind flying. It was an all-day event. It was from nine to four they spent with me just doing science activities and the drones, we fly on your cell phones that you download an app and the kids can fly their drones. That was their favorite thing. They were like, can we fly the drones again until our parents get here. I'm like sure go ahead, just don't crash them. They made them do flips and things I didn't know you could do with them. So, it was really interesting to see them develop those skills with the drones. In the spring around Ag Days, Amy and I, we did a chick embryology program. We bought the incubators with the refund money that you guys gave us. And I went into all of the fifth-grade classes and did a science behind the egg. They got to dissect an egg, learned how eggs fertilized and then when they came to Ag Days, we were actually hatching the chicks. Then we did another chick embryology lesson with them at that point. It's kind of a two-step program, they've got the science behind the egg gets fertilized and they actually saw the eggs hatch into the baby chicks in the incubator. So that was a lot of fun. And then Amy and I did another chick embryology program. But I'll let her talk about that. It was more adult driven. We also, or I also do a program with my mini 4-Hers where we host mini workshops through the mini kids but the junior leaders serve as the teachers. So, they are doing the communication, they're doing the teaching, I fill out what activities we're doing, I teach them how they are going to do it, and then they teach the kindergarten, first and second graders. So, they're working on their communications, their public speaking, and just being in front of other individuals and being confident and what they're teaching those younger and youth members. A really cool opportunity that's happening at the fair is a partnership with Randolph Central FFA. We're going to do what's called the greatest show. And that's for non-traditional 4-H members. Students with special needs are going to partner with 4-H members and FFA members and actually get to show a pig. So that's called the greatest show. I think it's, I don't remember what day it is, there's so much in this schedule. I think it's Monday night. So, Monday night at six o'clock will be the greatest show with the Randolph Central FFA and 4-H pairing together. They're going to sign in and they're going to spend an hour with the 4-H member. They're going to get to interact with a pig, wash the pig, just experience the animal and what the fair is in a different light. So that's a very cool opportunity. I'm excited for it. It's the first year they're offering it so hopefully, it goes really well. I'm intrigued to see. That interaction, I think will be really touching in my opinion. And then we were able to

get a grant for our K-niners Club, our dog club. They meet every Tuesday through Blue Buffalo and General Mills in Richmond. 4-H Incorporated applied for a grant and we were awarded \$2,800.00 to give the dog club for new equipment, which was really outdated. And the mats were falling apart, the A-frames are just extremely heavy because they are really old. So, the dog club will be able to update their equipment and be more modern to hopefully get more kids involved in the dog program by having nicer equipment. So that was really exciting. We got that last month we received that confirmation from General Mills, Blue Buffalo in Richmond that we got that grant. And then the, another grant that we worked with Chris from Randolph Southern, Chris Robinson is a fifth-grade teacher at Randolph Southern. And in your packet there's the write-up, a little light stapled paper, is the write-up of her grant application. And we are doing, it's called Randolph Southern understands rural agriculture link. And we're doing this as, in office with Randolph Southern's fifth grade. It's kind of farm to fork. And it breaks down, in the fall, we're going to go to the dairy and we're going to do a whole bunch of dairy activities. We're going to make butter and milk, and just learn how agriculture is important in life, and important here in Randolph County. And then in the winter, we're going to do goods from the woods. And we're going to do a whole curriculum on some Purdue University that is major of teaching, but we're going to visit Sickels Tree Farms, Frank Miller Lumber. We're going to go out there and we're going to, the students are going to interact and see why trees are important. And then in the spring, we're going to do the poultry focus and we're going to do the chicken embryology again, the same lessons with the eggs, dissection and then they are actually going to have incubators in their class for the 21-day period. They'll get to candle them, they'll see the development. We'll go into the classroom and Zoey will do the health side of it. We talked about cooking with the eggs and the nutritional side of why eggs are important. And poultry, we are going to cook actual chicken breasts and give the kids just life skills that they might not get in the schools often anymore. And then at the end of the school year, all of the students in fifth grade at Randolph Southern will become 4-H members and will complete an animal science project to be displayed at the 2023 Randolph County fair. So that's, we're really excited. Just found out about that, probably a month, or a month and a half ago, that she was awarded that grant. Nationally, she was a runner-up. So, she wasn't the top two, but she was the second and the runner-up of that application process. I'm really excited for that. And then my life the next, the next month and a half are going to be Randolph County fair. The Randolph County fair officially starts on Friday the 15th, but project, the building projects have been, non-walking projects as I call them, come in starting on Tuesday. So, we will have a very busy two weeks, and then there's a week between our fair and state fair and we will have to take all the projects that qualify to go to the Indiana State fair. We'll take them down for our 4-H members. In there is a fair schedule. If you are interested, I hope you guys all come out to see what's going on. Amy and Zoey have been very creative with some additional programming areas that relate to them, but they are going to offer a program at the fair that I'll let them talk about.

Amy said at the fair, I've always read, taste, touch with the students of Randolph County. And this year we have 85 kids that I've been sending things out to every week for six weeks that school's been out. This coming week will be the last mailing. And they get a story link to be read and then a craft activity, and then a healthy snack idea. We have 85 kids in there. And then Zoey and I are partnering on that, and I will let Zoey talk on that part. And then they are going to come to the fair for two days and again have a story, make a craft, have a healthy snack and then we're going to each day has, we're focusing on some different animals. And we're going to partner with the ambassadors to take the kids out to the barns and interact with the livestock there. The other thing, and they are also going to get, the kids that come to the fair are going to get the Farm Bureau book of the year. The Farm Bureau educational here in Randolph County is going to sponsor those books like they always do. And then my fun activities that I've decided to do, I don't know if you've heard, but up at Purdue they've always had the cricket spitting contest. Well this year they changed it to the cricket flinging contest to make it a little more sanitary. And so, I thought this would be fun to do at the fair. So, Monday night after the special needs show, we are going to have a cricket flinging contest on the stage there for age categories, and ribbons will be awarded. I did win when I went to Purdue. So, you are going to have to try to beat me. And that would be Monday

night. The flyer is in there. It doesn't cost anything and it will just be fun. So, I'll let Zoey talk about the fair, then we'll come back and hit our program areas.

Zoey said okay I'm going to be offering goat yoga, which some of you don't seem as excited as I am. We're partnering, were having Tom Batt, we've just a general yoga session for beginners. And we're just going to, in working with Julie as ambassadors, and goat producers on getting some just pygmy goats, to roam around, and we're going to have just an exercising activity for that day. It's happening on July 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the show ring. And it's \$5.00 for anyone who wants to participate. So excited just to plug in and exercising activity just to focus on our health, and I think it's going to be a great turnout of mix of adults and children for that.

Julie said the office will be closed at that time.

Zoey said yeah, we're going to take part in it. We're doing it with Julie. Another thing is our baby contest. So that is happening on July 17th. That flyer is actually a front and back in your folders. And we're partnering with Second Harvest and the Child Advocate Center of Randolph County. We're offering a free diaper distribution at that time. So that's going to take place from 5:30 until 7:00, or just while supplies last. We're hoping to have enough for at least a hundred families to come out and get diapers, wipes, those are to be completely free to anyone that wants to come to that. And then our baby contest will follow that at 7:00 p.m. on the stage. We have breakdown of five different categories. So, we're trying to get different age groups I think to go over fun activities we have going on.

Julie said we added a category because my daughter is two and I know she has to participate, so they made a two and three-year-old.

Zoey said so just a little bit of everything going on at the fair. We're just really a big team in our office, so any way we can help each other out.

Amy said okay tag me back in. Okay to recap on the chicken embryology, we, Julie and I obviously, partnered on that, and so we had two sessions at the fairgrounds. We had an adult session and a kids session. And explained to them chicken embryology in a age appropriate way. So, then we split them up and she took the kids, I had the adults. In fact, I just showed Julie this morning, one of the adult participants sent me pictures of their chicken coup, the additional chickens they bought and how happy they are with having participated in the program. She wanted to do that to have something to do with her grandkids. So that was super, that was a ton of fun. In fact, one of the chicks that was my favorite, one of the kids took home and they're bringing it back to the fair. Hazel is coming to the fair, so I'm super excited to see Hazel with an adult chicken. And all the chickens were adopted, sad to say because I didn't get any. But it was so much fun. And we posted stuff almost daily on it and so we're going to do it again. We're going to keep that going. We also purchased a drone because I'm part of this squad, the state Purdue team. And we are doing, I got certified to fly the spray drone a couple of weeks ago. And we're doing research out at D-pack with that this summer. So, come on out to D-pack field day on August 23rd and you'll see what we've been doing out there. I don't know if you guys have been to the fairgrounds lately, but when you do come out for the fair, check out front. We've installed two new raised garden beds for a teaching garden, and we've got things growing in there trying to beat the heat. And trying to figure out how to beat the heat on some of these things. So, look at those. There's some pictures on the bottom of the newsletter. We used the journey home plans and then several of the guys from the journey home actually came out and helped install those. They were a big help. And then my master, my Randolph County Master Gardener was there and helped as well. We talked about RT2, cricket throwing, oh, tomorrow, I go tomorrow and Friday and Saturday, I go to my first Ag leadership class. I don't know if you saw that. I was accepted into the Ag leadership program. Wanted to do this for years. Since I was a teacher, it didn't fit into my schedule. But it's a two-year commitment and all

kinds of topics. Basically, it's going to help me better serve Randolph County in my own field here as the Ag educator. Our first orientation is this week. We had to have a spouse commitment, an employer commitment. It was a big long application process. So pretty excited to get that started. While we were at our IDEA conference a few weeks ago, I met up with another A&R educator who is also a firefighter. Him and I together have started the through Purdue, the farm safety team, because we're both passionate about farm safety. So, we're heading that up and getting things together on that. Later on, this summer, D-pack field day I already mentioned August 23rd, that's a huge responsibility because I'm the area chair for that. And also, that includes sleep at the same time. So, anybody, any group, organization, individuals that have container of old pesticides that they'd like to get rid of, they don't know what to do with them, they don't know what it is, they bring it out there from nine to three, and they will dispose of it for you up to a certain amount. And that's all in the newsletter. And then August, we're doing our pollinator workshop where the people will come in, learn about pollinators and then they'll take home one of our caterpillars to raise and release. And then later on in August, September, we're doing an area lunch and learn, all the area A&R educators, and mine is composting. So just lots going on, lots moving forward. I just kind of went through August, but then we got, we're working at the state fair. I'll be at the state fair where the drones fly, doing demos with the drones. So, come out, check us, find us and we'll be out there promoting drones.

Zoey said alright so Amy kind of talked about the RT2. We've been working a partnership on that this summer. Amy, she's worked, I help her with the mailings for the 80 some kids that we have with that. And then on the flip side, I did some in person, I went to summer reading programs at Winchester's library and then the library in Lynn. So that was great, I went three times at each location. That was great just to get hands on with the kids for the crafts and the snacks, and also with the reading. I'm excited for that partnership to continue with Amy to next summer too. And looking forward to the fair on that. I've joined the farm stress team. I can't remember if I talked about that last time, but that is a state-wide team that's awarded through the farm and ranch stress assistance grant. And it's also funded through the USDA. So, there's educators all over Indiana. Some are health and women's science educators like myself and then some are A&R like Amy is. So that, we just really focus on creating and expanding how to focus on stress management for farmers, farm families, or anyone in agra business. We just focusing on mental health and bringing light to situations that they may not want to talk about. So just being able to get that out there. I offer a serve safe managers to anyone in the food industry that needs to have that training to focus on food safety and sanitation practices. They had 17 people and we had a 76 percent of those individuals passed, so I was pretty happy with the first time having that offered here. And then there's a separate serve safe food handler that goes along with the home base vendors so there is a new house bill 1149 that was passed. So, any home-based food vendors have to have this food handler certification. I hosted one of those, in Randolph County last week. And I've had 11 individuals and they all passed. So those are, you might see them out in the farmers markets or anywhere else. And we had a couple individuals from some neighboring counties as well. In May, I had a recharge program, so it focused on mental health, because May is national mental health awareness month. I had, averaged about 9 to 10 people at that three-part series. That was just super important to me. It was about self-care, your mental health, how to handle stress. So, I'm really on a mental health kick a little bit, but I love being able to tie in my ag background with that farm stress team on that side as well. And then last week, I also offered, I called it a summer cookout lesson and we focused on food safety, cooking meats at the correct temperatures and just giving some general recipes out there. So that's about all I have going on. Just a lot going on for the fair.

Gary said alright.

Missy said you do have a great team going out there. And I covered up air holes, makes a big difference.

Amy said oh on the composting thing.

Missy said yeah that helped tremendously. I go to some of those workshops out there. Did you mention your bridges out of poverty?

Zoey said oh man when was that, was that January. That was, it was pretty soon after I started, I hosted a bridges out of poverty training. We had 35 people in attendance for that. So that's just, I'm actually joining the bridges out of poverty team in Indiana. There's only three other educators through Purdue Extension that do that. They facilitate those workshops. So, I'm actually joining that team because I felt a huge impact from going through the training myself. It allows us to have the tools to work with individuals that may be suffering in poverty and how we can bridge that gap between helping them and allowing what we do on a daily basis to really impact their lives. So that was a great turnout. I had a mixture of teachers, different, like the child advocate they sent a couple of people. So, it was just a great mix of people and I think they really are going to be able to take what they want from that and really apply it into the settings and the individuals that they work with. I forgot to mention I'm joining that team so I'm excited about that and offering it all over Indiana.

Missy said anything on fundraising for your facilities, equipment.

Julie said that's a future needs committee, I don't know. They're having meetings. They're doing a silent auction at the fair. I know they are still working with Greg Beumer on the READI grant and where that stands, I'm not 100 percent sure. So, they were talking at their, the last time I talked to Mike Reed, they were planning on coming and presenting to you guys that I think in the next month or two.

Bev said sounds like you are very busy and fair week's always exciting.

Dave said thanks for all you guys do out there. I know the kids in Randolph County are definitely benefitting.

Tom said fantastic program.

Gary said thank you. Meeks did Matt Daly have something he needed.

Additional Appropriation

Prosecutor – PTD

Witness	\$,5,000.00
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Meeks said yeah he had, he had the witness, it's at the very end, he had the witness, he needs \$5,000.00

Gary said we already passed that last month. We just need to do the appropriation.

Meeks said if you want to pass it, I can let him know.

Gary said alright someone like to make a motion on the \$5,000.00 witness additional appropriation needed for the pre-trial. We discussed it last month.

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

Adam Wilson – Highway Department quote for a direct wireless connection

Adam said the Commissioners have not approved this yet. So, I talked to Mike yesterday and they're still deciding between whether to use fiber to make that run out to the highway department or to use a wireless

connection. I had got a quote from J&K and that is it. I had this time scheduled in preparation for them to approve it, but he wanted to wait and do some conversing.

Gary said so this is just an update perhaps then.

Adam said just an update, no action needed of you guys. But anyway, it's a \$33,000 to get a direct over the air line from the jail to the highway department, instead of doing like a fiber run from downtown all the way out there, because it would cost like \$66,000.00 or something like that.

Gary said is there any reason why we wouldn't do it over the air?

Adam said yeah so New Lisbon came back and said they would only cover like 44 new houses on the way out there and the fiber line is you know, definitely, underground fiber line, you can't get much better than that.

Gary asked is it more than just the highway department's function or is there a server out there?

Adam said yeah, so the highway department runs the gas, they have that gas station out there for the county, and they've got like GPS coordinating system for all their trucks. And they've got some other software. Having all that connected back here, allows us to back all that stuff up, get them, you know, with the same level of support that every other office is getting. So, to have it hooked up is pretty essential like to get all those systems in place.

Gary said okay do you think the fiber would get out there at no cost to the county just to hook up.

Adam said oh absolutely not. They're going to charge us to put that fiber out there. They basically quoted us at \$66,000. The only reason to even consider it is because it's eligible for ARPA funds.

Missy said so \$33,000 for wireless or \$66,000 then.

Adam said yeah, it's called wireless back haul. It's what cell phone towers use when they can't get a fiber signal to the tower and they just use it to connect one tower to the other. That's what we would use. We have a wireless back haul back to the jail, and then you have fiber running down the tower and over into the highway building.

Missy said there's got to be another company.

Adam said they do. So, the fiber that we get, that they currently get, comes from Richmond. And runs down 27, but the equipment that you need to split off of that because it's a large run, uses its lasers to do a lot of that work. And so that white equipment is about \$80,000.00, \$90,000.00 just to split off. And so, it's more cost effective to bring it back then it is to split off.

Missy said it's three companies who own it.

Adam said yeah right. You've got New Lisbon and you've got, Verizon runs down through there, and then somebody else. But yeah you are right. And I didn't know that until I talk to Steve Barnes.

Missy said have you contacted all three of those and said what's your proposal.

Adam said to split off?

Missy said to take it down to the highway department.

Adam said I haven't, no, because currently New Lisbon handles all the rest of our networking internally. And to split off and use another third party to handle an internal network would, that get's pretty complicated pretty quick. I'd rather stay within.

Missy said that sometimes makes their quote a little bit more reasonable.

Adam said I'm hoping that this quote I got for over the air might make them negotiate a little bit more come to the table. And so, I think that's what the commissioners are hoping too.

Gary said so how close are they getting to the highway with the service to the new homes out there?

Adam said they don't plan to run anything out there right now, so that's part of it.

Gary said we just pick 44 more clients on our expense to put it out there.

Adam said that's what it sounds like to me, yes.

Dave said and that's what it is. We've been meeting, the technology committee, Adam's been in that meeting also, which has been a great help, but I just think that there needs to be some negotiation going on.

Adam said yeah if we're going to run that line out there, I think it should be the same kind of deal that we've got here where we own that line. And then we can rent that back to them. That's been a really great boon for the county you know. We don't pay for internet right now because we own our lines downtown and they have to rent that fiber off of us.

Gary said Randolph County government doesn't pay for internet. I didn't know that.

Adam said not a dime. It's because we own that fiber that goes underneath our building, then we own the old hospital, and if they have to put stuff in there, I mean, that would be a big expense for us that we don't have to pay. But it's because we own that infrastructure.

Missy said it's a big boom for them to be able to use all that.

Adam said absolutely, absolutely that's true too. It's kind of, the partnership works for everybody for sure.

Missy said is there any way to sell.

Dave said well we've been looking at it up at Purdue Farms and it's not been, what I want to say, I want to be nice here.

Gary said smooth, it's not been smooth throughout.

Dave said it's been a little sketchy at times, and we were all asked at the last meeting to go out and see what we could do to keep it moving forward because it's been like three years now. You know that's just too long. And so, I got a hold those the President of Purdue. And he pushed it out to some other individuals. And that's when it started turning ugly. We're right in the midst of, I don't remember where we're headed so we've got to have another meeting. And with Ceann gone now, they're going to appoint, I think Gary

Girton is the point person for that broadband up there, and then we'll talk about the infrastructure for the underground. I think, I'm like Adam, we need to own that.

Gary said first impression, is they want us to buy it then they'll have 44 new hookups on it.

Dave said Purdue, they want market rate to put that tower up there. And the hope was that there wouldn't be any charge for that plan. Then they could use the tower. If they're going to have to get market rate for that tower, we're going to have charge Purdue to offset our costs.

Missy said and all whole goal is just to provide internet service to our citizens.

Dave said bottom line, that's all we want. And Adam is right, ARPA monies doesn't cover, it has to be a minimum of a hundred download and twenty up, minimum. Well even at my house, I don't get twenty up, and I'm on spectrum. I'm on hard wire so. I don't understand why it's such a big demand for ARPA monies to be a hundred down and twenty up. And the only way you can cover that is through the wire system.

Gary said thanks for the update Adam. Anybody have anything else. Appreciate you explaining the technology community what you tried to explain to me and it wasn't you, it was me. How Randolph County can own our internet service. Have our own ISP.

Adam said yeah, I think that's a great idea I was hearing. The technology didn't necessarily agree. I think the thought was we didn't want to get involved in any kind of private business, we didn't want to compete with private ISPs, which is you know, depends on where you stand on it I guess. But if you want more, I can get you more information. It's up to you.

Gary said I'd like to know more.

Adam said alrighty.

Gary said I don't know a lot about it to be honest. I get lost in the weeds.

Adam said we can sit down talk anytime.

Gary said okay. I call my kids when I've got a problem with it. Thank you Adam.

Randy Abel – Request to split Blding Commission and Area Planning

Gary said Randy Abel. When you get done, did you discuss this with the commissioners yesterday.

Randy said yes we did.

Gary said and what was the commissioners take on it.

Randy said yeah they agreed to split the two jobs so I guess what I'm asking for is the salary changes. I explained in here basically, what I did is I went back to 2015, we added the two salaries together then we divided it. We ended up being 53, 47 percent, so I added the salaries that were budgeted for this year and made it the same percentages it was before.

Gary said so the totals to Randolph County does not change.

Randy said the total doesn't change, just the percentage of work is in each department.

Gary said okay.

Randy and further requesting in, I want to emphasize that we are one of the first departments that investors end up contacting in the county. And I think it's very important that we put our best foot forward and I think in order to do that, we're also requesting that we put a part-time secretary in with the new area planning executive, so that she has options to basically, with all the hearings and stuff that we've had this year, she had been swamped just doing the paperwork. I mean we're talking I think, I don't know if I put it in here or not, but in 2015 we had, that's when we first took over, combined the two we had fifteen dockets and seven hearings. Last year we had 24 dockets in the whole year. This year we've already had 24 dockets and we've had 13 hearings already this year. So needless to say, as things go up, the time consumption goes up also. And Debra has not had adequate time really to address some of the things she needs to address sometimes. And I think in order to put our best foot forward, we need to make sure we've got ample time to take care of the inquiries people submit to us, and we give accurate information and provided in a speedy fashion so the people aren't waiting around.

Gary said this would be a part-time secretary of each one of you, two part-time secretaries.

Randy said two part-time secretaries would really help cover the phones.

Gary said and you had one already budgeted.

Randy said yes.

Gary said is this one come in at the exact same budget as the one that you have.

Randy said it would be the same 28 hours is what we are asking for.

Gary said so the total for Randolph County, your proposal would cost about \$21,944.00 more.

Randy said is that, yeah if that's.

Gary said is that yearly. That's yearly.

Laura said yes.

Gary said so for the rest of this year it would be half that about.

Missy said so there is an increase to Randolph County.

Randy said if you accept the part-time secretary for area planning.

Missy said so how many, will you stay at 35 hours.

Randy said I'll stay

Gary said is that 35.

Randy said uh yeah.

Missy said and then Deb would stay at 35 hours also, correct.

Randy said yes.

Missy said and she would go up 18.86 an hour and that would put you at \$21.22 an hour. Is there any reason why those positions are different by the three bucks an hour?

Randy said it's whatever originated back in the day. It's always been that way. I don't have an answer to that. I think she certainly is worth more than that.

Missy said and I really appreciate that your home situation, taking care of elderly parents, I know many of us have been there already. But if your working hours isn't going to change, I guess I'm not. I hope these hearings continue because I hope housing continues to people want to come in and it needs to be done.

Randy said yes. I will say that housing is way, way up this year. I've got ten houses in Parker City alone. And I will say when I'm dealing with local contractors, there's a certain security I have there that if I miss an inspection, I don't have to worry about it if my time didn't allow me to do that. These companies that have come from out of the county, I can't tell you how many things I've had to correct, and how many times I've had to ask them to get engineer reports to approve what they're not doing in their blue prints. And if you've got a good manager on a job like that, you're fine because they check everything. On that Parker City job, we're already on the third manager. So, I'm assuming because I've demanded them to correct things, maybe they got rid of the first manager, I don't know. But obviously, the managers weren't doing their jobs. And it makes my job a lot harder when I have to go around to these places and deal with managers that just flat out tell me well that's not my job to know the code. Well then just read the blue print. I don't care if you know the code, you know, you don't have to know the code if you know the blue print. My job has increased with the, and obviously, we've got subdivisions going in, Union City plans 25 homes going in, we got the subdivision, you went out there by the industrial park, I think it's going to be 8, 8 houses maybe, and then the one out there by the golf course, that there's going to be more building there.

Missy said 17 possibly.

Randy said yeah but we are seeing a big increase. And I don't understand with the cost of materials, makes no sense to me. But people are still building. Now the small guy who's building an addition on his house, and that's a hassle too because now you've got a permit that's over a year old and they're still working on it. But I still got to check those things out. They got to come in and renew the permits. A lot of those people are slowing down. But as the material price, and I would assume the material prices are going to come down soon. And when it does, you're going to get a big influx of people with those additions again, coming back on line to start building again. Both jobs are really picking up right now.

Gary said I understand why there's a difference in pay between building inspecting, the building commissioner and then the zoning officer. It's always been that way and it's a lot to do with what the building has to know and has to do. So, it's not uncommon that those are the step-down levels.

Bev said there was, excuse me. There was just one thing you brought up that was brought up in yesterday's meeting, and I don't know if you were in attendance at that time, but Joe Copeland commented to the commissioners something to the effect of if you're having trouble getting engineering reports, or reports read, he's capable of doing that. Joe Copeland would be out at the highway office.

Randy said okay that would be good because there's times we do need information. I still have a good contact with Keith Pugh. And that's really, and he had the job before I did. I think everybody knows

Keith. And he had been really, really helpful. He's always taken my calls and he's a very informative individual. So, he's helped me a lot also. But that would be a good extra.

Bev said he says he does it all the time for Henry county. They do call him.

Gary said okay is what we're really down to is the commissioners have endorsed this request, yes.

Randy said yes.

Gary said so the council needs to decide whether we want to put on, do we want to change the salary ordinance to match what your balance is plus another part-time secretary, effective.

Randy said I would say as soon as possible.

Laura said the salary ordinance wouldn't be able to be changed until August.

Gary said August yeah. But Max are you in tow.

Max said I agree with what Randy's asking.

Gary said Dave.

Dave said no I just wonder about if you needed 28 hours for that, because basically that's what you're adding is 28 hours.

Randy said so the secretary I have now probably doesn't actually do the 28 hours, but if you need that extra time.

Gary said does she get paid the 28 hours.

Randy said no she just get paid for hours of work.

Gary said okay.

Randy said so there's weeks she's probably working, and I don't know how it works, is it a two week pay thing, you can't go over 28.

Laura said it's 28 a week.

Meeks said you can go over occasionally for busy season.

Gary said it's an outreach.

Randy said so there's some weeks she's not even close to it and there's some weeks she's right there or over. Paula's never said anything so.

Laura said Paula figured an average on her and it was like 26.

Randy said okay. I mean there's some weeks she's been a little bit over.

Gary said yeah the commissioners have held the 28 hours is the law it gives back, you're allow to set a multiplying period that you can never change, Randolph County has a six-month multiplier. You have to be under 28 hours in that six-month average. That's the commissioners. The commissioners say your 28, you don't go over.

Meeks said that's used for like people with a busy season to help them in the spring. Like would be like with the treasurer's office and everybody is paying their taxes.

Dave said so it would be up to 28 hours.

Gary said anything else Dave.

Dave said no.

Gary said Tom.

Tom said I agree with him. I think the demand of the job has changed drastically.

Gary said and the code of compliance is pretty intense too.

Randy said and the code did change in 2020, which has put a lot of extra demand on myself, because they're finally starting to get trained, all the contractors have this way they've done it for thirty years. The last code was 03 I think.

Gary said alright we can pass that ordinance in August. And we can pass for the part-time right now. Someone want to make a motion to add a part-time.

Missy said I have one more question. I know there's, you have a take home truck. Is that anything that Deb will need to ever use.

Randy said so what we put in here and I didn't bring up the job descriptions. We changed job descriptions. So, the current building commission secretary is not changing. There's a line in there that says she will assist with the duties at area planning when needed. So that she can do both jobs when she's there for the secretary. So, the secretary for the area planning we put that same phrase in, as needed, she would assist in both departments. Then in the executive director position, we put that she would assist the building commission when requested by the building commissioner. And in the building commission's description of duties, we're putting in that the building commissioner will assist the area planning director when requested. They're saying whenever she wants or needs my help, she can ask for it. One of the things I do now, if there's a zoning violation, I'll go around and take pictures and stuff. We have people all the time calling or zoning violations. And you go out and obviously, it's just a neighbor complaining because they don't like each other. You do have to go out, you do have to look at it. And I would still be able to do functions because she would be able to request that of me. If you wanted to approve her to drive the truck, I don't know if that increase insurance costs.

Gary said commissioners.

Randy said yeah but, and I know, I think she's got a mileage line in hers.

Gary said in the area planning.

Randy said yeah. Is there a mileage in that?

Gary said yes, but we zeroed it out.

Randy said we did that the year where everybody was trying to reduce everything. We never used it because I had one in the building commission. She could drive her own vehicle and get reimbursed. Either way would work. But technically, I usually go out and do most of the zoning checks out in the field.

Missy said I like the idea they're separating them back out because I'm hoping, I heard Gary say several times, the only thing we need is to have housing, at least one of the steps to get people to stay in Randolph County. And so, I like this idea.

Randy said and the two departments still working together. I mean we're in the same room. We work very well together.

Gary said so we need to approve adding a part-time position line to Area Planning, not to exceed 28 hours.

Max made a motion to approve adding a part time line to Area Planning, not to exceed 28 hours. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said the split in the salary cannot happen until the August meeting.

Randy said okay. So, on the part-time, that's immediate?

Laura said are you going to pay it out of the same line then, out of the same line we're paying

Gary said until August yes, then we'll have to make a separation and add it to the other department. See this particular line, the part-time line now can afford it, right.

Laura said yeah. We can do an additional if we need to but it's probably fine because she doesn't normally work the 28.

Gary said we're into July pretty soon.

Laura said I'm sure it's going to take him some time to find somebody.

Randy said I'm sure we can advertise for that part-time job now.

Gary said yeah August we'll set it on the agenda to have the line added, get the ordinance amended.

Randy said so we can start looking then.

Gary said yeah. Anything else.

Randy said that's it I think. Thank you very much. I appreciate it.

Jessica Olson – Chip and seal report

Jessica said that is a breakdown of how the state would like every section of activity reported. The report I sent everyone is kind of an easier, I mean easier in regards to me pulling it because they all did chip and seal during that week. But as you can see through those, every road has section and this all started with

you know, those books being prepared, and then the guys, the road guys going, you know, they had to be out there and they've got to report in on their cards where they were, what they did, what materials they took and used, and of course, the equipment that they were in. Fuel is all added in there. So that's the way the state would like everything recorded. As I'm sure everybody's heard many times through Gateway transparency is the big thing. So, if a taxpayer calls up and wants to know what happened on 700 West between here and here, then they want us to be able to tell them. And eventually, all that information is going to go on Gateway, kind of like all the budget stuff does now. So that's what we started, and that's where we're at. This does take, all that information from that book was not entered on the chart system, which is the system that we use for the state to do all that type of reporting. We've been getting that information in there slowly, but as you can see just from the information, it takes a minute to get all that in there each day. That's where we're at and that's what we're working on, so Mike wanted everybody to take a look at that just so they could see what was going on. We just pulled that. This is chip and seal because all the guys were at the same place. But if someone wanted to know who was cold patching one day or who was doing the field entrance one day, we can pull all that up based on the activity reports and everything that we entered during that time. If anybody ever needs to know, just call. So that is what he wanted to present.

Gary said is that because of the 1176 and 1173, reference to an account.

Jessica said the reporting.

Gary said yeah.

Jessica said no the reporting is what the state wants to be able to see for the transparency issue. And the restricted fund and the MVH.

Gary said that doesn't support it.

Jessica said no.

Dave said Jessica how does the pacer report figure into this.

Jessica said that's one thing I have not delved into as much as I'd like to with Lonnie because they, he and Jessica worked on that, but when he saw this report he said it would be an excellent tool, because when he's, and he's currently working with Bill Vincent on an assessment stuck out there at the highway. So, encouraged that we will be able to pull up data easily to provide not only to the state, but for the pacer rating that's going to be coming up again here pretty soon.

Gary said okay. Alright, how do you like it out there.

Jessica said I like it.

Gary said ever a dull moment.

Jessica said not yet.

Gary said okay do you have anything for Jessica?

Dave said no I just like the way Joe has presented the you know, the road, or I'm sorry, the bridges to us and the culverts and that's why I was asking about the pacer. That should be one of the next ones eventually. But it's a five-year plan. He's done an excellent job on that.

Jessica said he has his ducks all in a row with exactly where all of his money is coming from. I like it.

Bev said well I think you said as you mentioned yesterday, that it's new for employees having to fill out the forms, and they bring the forms to you to keep the data up to date.

Jessica said it's new for them to do this detailed of stuff. I mean the guys always filled out a card that said basically what they were doing. And usually what vehicle they were in and that kind of thing. But yeah, this is pretty detailed as you can see.

Dave said are the transponders still being used on the trucks.

Jessica said yes, the ABL.

Gary said alright.

Missy said this might be off the subject, but Mike mentioned about a month ago that you were down five employees. I mean, maybe I shouldn't ask you that, but are they advertising for new workers.

Jessica said yes we did. We put an advertisement in for an assistant supervisor and four laborers. Our issue is that they have to have a CDL and we have a lot of people call but they don't have CDLs. And I think out of that group of people, there was one I believe that Mike was considering.

Tom said do you require class A or can they have class B.

Jessica said they can have a B, but they prefer an A.

Tom said sure.

Gary said they can start with a B, we can push them to an A right. I mean the highway department does that don't they. We fund them getting from B to A.

Jessica said there was, I, that was before my time, but yes, I heard there was a training line for that. We lost the people we trained.

Gary said okay.

Jessica said and then just the addition's, this is just me trying to get, we're trying to get kind of where we are supposed to be on the Restricted fund.

Gary said with the truck, the highway trucks.

Jessica said yeah it's the same line that's in 1176, which is the MVH. It's just, I think there's been some new things that have come up that we realized there are certain ways, especially when we're doing this and we're determining what the guys are doing, because of there are certain things qualify for 1173 versus 1176. So, if they are doing that work and that vehicle is being used, then we need to pull or repair, something like that, then that qualifies for 1173. So that's why I just would like to appropriate a little bit more money in 1173, so we have that opportunity to pay out of that fund.

Gary said is this highway appropriation for 1173.

Jessica said yes.

Gary said and that appropriation is coming from a transfer from 76.

Jessica said no.

Gary said no.

Jessica said it is actually just an appropriation.

Gary said this is 73 okay. Are you having any trouble with 1173 keeping it balanced with Restricted to make sure that we are using it, not getting out of whack on it.

Jessica said no. I mean, it, there's a lot of documentation on 1173. So, I kind of spend a bit of time working on what those things are. But I think I've gotten a pretty good handle.

Gary said does that mean, obviously, 1173 should go first because that's restrictive and then fall back to 76.

Jessica said uh huh, right.

Dave said at our county council meeting, you guys remember they were talking about 1173, I think there's going to be some new legislation.

Gary said tighten or lighten it.

Dave said lighten it.

Gary said yeah. Some counties are just throwing their hands up.

Jessica said yeah because they actually moved patching, any type of patching was not allowed in 1173. They've opened that up a little bit. I heard rumors though of snow removal.

Gary said in the 73.

Jessica said yeah.

Dave said it was discussed.

Jessica said I think yeah, didn't it say it passed one, one branch.

Dave said yeah I think it passed the House and maybe onto the Senate.

Jessica said yeah the House didn't yeah, that's what I heard.

Gary said alright well thank you Jessica.

Jessica said alright thank you guys very much.

Joe Copeland - Community Crossing Matching Grant Fund financial commitment letter

Gary said Joe's not here. The Community Crossing Matching Grant Fund financial commitment letter.

Laura said it's here and we've already approved all the money. He just needs this letter to send saying that we're going to fund it.

Gary said this is a letter that says requiring a signature to approve Randolph County's commitment to the Community Crossing in order to provide the local match of the project.

Laura said and those are I believe Joe said those were the three Windsor bridges. Is that what you guys understood yesterday.

Dave said that's correct.

Gary said somebody like to make a motion for the council to sign off on this.

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

Other Business:

Report from Commissioners – Tom Chalfant

Gary said okay report from the Commissioners, Tom.

Tom Chalfant said I don't really have anything to add. We covered a lot of what we talked about yesterday, so I guess I just answer any questions if you have anything.

Gary said I don't. I don't have anything at all.

Dave said I went by that county highway barn the other day. The lettering is still on the barn.

Tom Chalfant said we didn't talk about that. Yeah we need to get that removed just for the liability. We've got some other, well other things that need to be done out there. We talked, I just talked with him yesterday. He's got all these plans to put a privacy fence up, but he's just shorthanded like everybody else. But yeah, we need to work on that.

Gary said is that the gentleman you rented it to.

Tom Chalfant said yeah, Ben he's hopefully going to trim the grass. The grass hadn't been mowed and he'd said he was going to do that. Yeah I hadn't been by there since yesterday. He said he had a crew helping yesterday, so hopefully he'll start cleaning that up a little bit better. He's a pretty good tenant.

Gary said is he off all electric and running generators or is he paying for some electric.

Tom Chalfant said uh no, we've I think kind of, he uses air. He runs with pressure and uses air. Need to get our generator out. It's gotten beat up a little bit. I've got some leads on who can get our generator out. And the tower is, I don't know what we're going to do about the tower. It's still there, we're not using it but, it'll probably sit there. To take it down, it's going to be expensive. I might mention while I think about it, we've had some issues of trespass out at Camp Yale so it would be nice to get rid of that property somehow. It's just an odd shape. Talked to developers and it's not really conducive to build houses there. It's a nice facility for a camp, but no one's yet to figure out how they could work there. If you know of anybody to have any ideas, we would be glad to do something with that property because people are talking about trying to use the zipline. We are going to take the zipline down, but the tower is a liability.

Gary said thanks Tom.

Alcoholic Beverage Board appointment

Gary said alright other business. Alcoholic Beverage Board appointee. I spoke with Clyde Shaffer, I put him in contact with the state police liaison that's in charge of that. We just need a motion to approve his appointment by the council.

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

Comprehensive Finance Plan agreement with Baker Tilly

Gary said Comprehensive Finance agreement with Baker Tilly. Does somebody want to make a motion to continue with the financial plan.

Max made a motion to approve the agreement with Baker Tilly to do a financial plan for Randolph County. Dave seconded.

Dave said I talked to Jason down at the conference. He said they were pretty close to having it done.

Laura said I don't know. I haven't talked to him.

Dave said yeah he said they should be done any time. Is that what this is for.

Gary said this is the actual agreement to the charges to do the plan. We talked to them about doing it during that special meeting.

Dave said yeah a few months ago. So, I did talk to him. The plan should be done shortly.

Gary said any further discussion. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All aye votes. Motion carried.

Loan Grant form

Laura said this is that form that Dave done up. I didn't know if you guys wanted to talk about it anymore.

Dave said let's just keep it on the agenda. We just need to, maybe next month we'll try to figure that out. We haven't had any loans lately or grants.

Resolution 2022-10 Union City loan

Gary said Resolution 2022-10 Union City loan.

Laura said the commissioners approved it yesterday. They signed theirs so I just need you guys approval.

Gary said can we approve Union City loan in the amount of \$350,000.00 with zero percent interest, with payment terms of the Union City loan Union City shall be paid \$50,000.00 per year from its economic development funds for a period of seven years to repay by January 31st of each year. There is money still owed beginning 2023. For a period of seven years to be repaid by January 31st of each year. Somebody want to make a motion to pass Resolution 2022-10.

RESOLUTION No. 2022-10

RESOLUTION A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF RANDOLPH COUNTY INDIANA, AUTHORIZING LOANS TO THE CITY OF UNION CITY FOR THE UNION CITY HOUSING PROJECT AND RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, Randolph County, Indiana (the "County") recognizes the need to assist with the funding of the Union City Housing Project for the City of Union City, Indiana ("Union City"); and

WHEREAS, the County desires to provide an interest-free loan in the amount of \$350,000 (the "Union City Loan") to Union City to assistance with a portion of the funding for the Union City Housing Project which is estimated to be approximately \$1.7 million (the "Union City Project").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners and the County Council of Randolph County, Indiana that:

1. The County approves the Union City Loan in the amount of \$350,000 at 0.00% interest. The repayment terms of the Union City Loan are that Union City shall repay \$50,000.00 per year from its Economic Development Income Tax funds for a period of 7 years, to be repaid by January 31st of each year there is money still owed beginning in 2023.
2. The President of the Commissioners, County Council and/or the Auditor of the County is authorized to execute and administer any documents related to the Union City Loan, as may be applicable.

Max a made motion to approve Resolution 2022-10 as presented. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Additional Appropriations:

ARPA

Sheriff's vehicles	\$16,000.00
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Gary said okay Additional Appropriations, ARPA, Sheriff's vehicles. We talked about this last month. \$16,000.00. Need a motion to approve.

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

ARPA

Scanning Minute/Ordinance/Resolution Books	\$11,370.00
Federal Audit Expenses	\$5,112.00

Gary said Scanning Minute/Ordinance/Resolution Books, Federal Audit Expenses. Again, this is an ARPA funding we approved last month. It's \$11,370.00 on the scanning of records, \$5,112.00 on the exam of records and the Federal Audit Expense.

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

ARPA

Highway Server	\$6786.00
2 new Computer's IT Dept	\$10,491.12
Firewall & Maintenance	\$23,950.00

Gary said another ARPA expense. Highway Server, \$6,786.00. 2 new computers the IT Department, \$10,491.12. Firewall & Maintenance, \$23,950.00.

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

Dave said just for everybody's information. We have spent \$1.655 million in that ARPA fund. Laura gave me a nice spread sheet.

EDIT

Forum of Funders	\$10,000.00
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Gary said okay EDIT.

Laura said this is the commissioners' portion. I haven't done yours yet.

Gray said Funders Forum, \$10,000.00. That's the commissioners' expense. We just need to pass it on through.

Laura said we'll have another one next month of \$10,000.00 for Council's portion.

Gary said somebody want to make a motion to approve.

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

Highway

Trucks	\$40,000.00
Equipment	\$30,000.00

Gary said highway trucks was just explained by Jessica for additional appropriation in the 1173 account. The monies there it's just appropriating for these two lines.

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

Health Dept

Nurse/Supplemental pay	\$5,000.00
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Gary said the Health Department, supplemental pay. This is the appropriation for the ordinance we just passed.

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

Sheriff – Ken Hendrickson

Laura said Meeks you sent me yesterday this ordinance for the sheriff for.

Meeks said we'll just wait until Art gets back.

Laura said wait until next month, okay.

Meeks said it's for body cam fees. You could charge that, Art wants it, so if you guys want to look at it, I don't.

Laura said well I didn't send it because I just got it yesterday.

Meeks said let's send it next week, uh, next month. It's a program that he put in and so you could charge. You can charge up to a \$150.00 for a body cam video.

Gary said for someone to get to the data off of it.

Meeks said so the thing is you don't want to put somebody else's external drives in your computer. So, Art has to buy them. If it's over an hour, they're figuring it's going to be \$150.00. If it's 30 minutes to 59 minutes, then it's going to be a hundred bucks. And if it's under 30, 29 minutes or under it's going to be just fifty bucks. Meeks said you can charge \$150.00 but you can't charge more than 105 percent of your direct cost. So, I figured Art would, since Art's not here, I don't think it's a pressing matter. Do you get a lot of body cam requests?

Ken said not yet. We're going to get them.

Missy said I will make a motion that we pass that ordinance for body cam.

ORDINANCE 2022-21

AN ORDINANCE OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR PROVIDING CERTAIN RECORDS TO THE PUBLIC

WHEREAS, I. C. 5-14-3-8(g) allows a public agency to charge a fee of no more than \$150.00 for providing a duplicate of a computer tape, computer disc, microfilm, law enforcement recording, or similar or analogous record system containing information owned by the public agency or entrusted to it.

WHEREAS, Randolph County has costs in connection with providing for the computer tape, computer disc, microfilm, law enforcement recordings or similar or analogous records and has determined the following to be its costs:

- A video length under 29 minutes and under: \$50.00;
- A video length 29 minutes to 59 minutes: \$100.00; and
- A video length 60 minutes or longer \$150.00.

WHEREAS, I. C. 5-14-3-2(d) states that Randolph County may not charge more than 105% of its direct costs of supplying the information.

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

Sec. 1. Randolph County shall charge for providing a duplicate of a computer tape, computer disc, microfilm, law enforcement recording, or similar or analogous record system containing information owned by Randolph County or entrusted to it, as follows:

- A video length under 29 minutes and under: \$50.00;
- A video length 29 minutes to 59 minutes: \$100.00; and
- A video length 60 minutes or longer \$150.00.

Provided however, the above charge is not more than Randolph County's direct costs in providing the information. Direct costs are defined under I.C. 5-14-3-2(d) and means one hundred five percent (105%) of the sum of the cost of: the initial development of a program, if any; the labor required to retrieve electronically stored data; and any medium used for electronic output; for providing a duplicate of electronically stored data onto a disk, tape, drum, or other medium of electronic data retrieval under section I.C. 5-14-3-8(g), or for reprogramming a computer system under section I.C. 5-14-3-6(c). If the direct costs are less than the above stated costs then Randolph County shall charge the direct costs for providing the requested information.

Sec. 2. The fees collected are to be deposited in the County's General Fund.

Gary said Ordinance 2022-21, it's a body cam ordinance, video one to 29 minutes, \$50.00. A video running 29 to 59 minutes, \$100.00. And your video running 60 minutes and longer, \$150.00. These are fees that are allowed to be charged by the sheriff's department. Where are those monies going?

Meeks said there's a jail fund, it says on section 2 on the very bottom.

Gary said these fees are to be deposited in the County General Fund. We have a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-21 on the first reading. Do we have a second?

Max seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Meeks said you can suspend the rules because we have enough people here.

Gary said would somebody like to make a motion to suspend the rules and have the second and third reading the same day.

Dave made a motion to suspend the rules and have the second and third reading by title only and adopt the same day. Missy seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said does someone want to make a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-21.

Missy made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-21. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Dave Lenkensdofer – Salary Study Committee report

Dave said salary report, did everybody get a copy of that.

Gary said yes, or I did.

Dave said I'd just like to thank Max and Bev for being on that team.

Max said thank you for doing it.

Dave said we, I would highly recommend we do this every year before the budget hearing. That's all I have.

Citizen Comments

None

Adjournment

Gary said somebody want to make a motion to adjourn.

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

Reviewed and accepted this 4 day of October, 2022.

RANDOLPH COUNTY COUNCIL

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