# MARCH 13, 2023 REGULAR SESSION

### **PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Pulaski County Council met in regular session Monday, March 13, 2023 7:00PM at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Councilmembers present were Kenneth Boswell, Adam Loehmer, Michael Tiede, Tim Overmyer, Jerry Locke, Jeffrey Richwine and Bradley Bonnell with County Auditor Laura Wheeler.

Also present were Maurice Loehmer, Chris Brucker, Connie Ehrlich, Mary Welker, Leeann Wright, Gary Kruger, Laura Scott, Mathew Scott, Fred Roger, Keaton Lezsek, Chris Schramm, Megan Galbreath and Nathan Origer.

President Boswell opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **IN RE: SHERIFF**

Keaton Lezsek formerly of the North Judson Police Department recently hired by Pulaski County Sheriff's Department. Keaton graduated from Indiana Law Enforcement Academy June 2020, completed Police Canine Handler's Course February 2021 and in April 2022 he was certified by Indiana Law Enforcement as a Firearms Instructor. He is accompanied by his K-9 partner Tikko. The MATRIX contains a Special Exception that reads:

The Pulaski County Council may make a special exception to these rules if doing so is in the best interest of the Pulaski County citizens due to the special skill or knowledge a particular employee may have. The Council will make special written findings for cause if they utilize this provision.

Michael Tiede made a motion to approval Keaton starting with three years' experience on the longevity scale, Jerry Locke seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Pay raises discussed. ARPA money mentioned as an available source to cover raises. Further discussion tabled for the Joint Session meeting in April.

Town of Winamac reimbursement for 9-1-1 costs also discussed. The town was paying the County approximately \$30,000.00 but stopped for unknown reasons. 25% of calls to dispatch are from Winamac, which includes after hour outages. Nothing further decided.

#### **IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS**

## 2022 pay 2023 encumbered claims presented as follows:

1000-0002 COUNTY GENERAL/AUDITOR	
17000 Overtime	800.00
4000 0244 COUNTY OFNIDAL /DUIL DING	
1000-0314 COUNTY GENRAL/BUILDING 22100 GAS/OIL	60.66
44301 EQUIPMENT	499.99
45200 FURNITURE/FIXTURES	249.99
1000-0079 COUNTY GENERAL/PLAN COMMISSION	
33200 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	21.59
TOTAL BUILDING DEPT ENCUMBERED	832.23
1000-0232 COUNTY GENERAL/CIRCUIT COURT	
13600 PAUPER COUNSEL	4,657.50
13800 CIVIL PAUPER COUNSEL	2,943.00
16400 TRANSCRIPTS/DEPOSITIONS	614.50
31510 NON FEE EXPENSE/PPAUPER COUNSEL	114.66
33700 GUARDIAN AD LITEM	9.00
9148-0232 FAMILY TREATMENT GRANT/CIRCUIT COURT	112.00
39800 DRUG TESTS/PHYSICALS  TOTAL CIRCUIT COURT ENCUMBERED	112.00 8,450.66
TOTAL CIRCUIT COURT ENCOVIDERED	8,430.00
1000-0068 COUNTY GENERAL/COMMISSIONERS	
13300 PPT ASSMT BRD OF APPEALS	106.20
33200 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	352.64
31801 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	118.00
32500 SCHOOL MEETING SEMINARS 34100 OFFICIAL BONDS	1,300.00
35200 NIPSCO	105.00 3,084.97
38100 SOLDIERS BURIAL ALLOWANCE	30.00
1112-0068 LIT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	30.00
34200 INSURANCE	20,446.00
36710 SECURITY	132.18
TOTAL COMMISSIONER ENCUMBERED	25,674.99
1000-0007 COUNTY GENERAL/CORONER	
22100 GAS OIL ETC	379.84
24100 UNIFORMS	383.06
39400 AUTOPSY FEES	4,675.00
TOTAL CORONER ENCUMBERED	5,437.90
1000-0062 COUNTY GENERAL-ELECTION BOARD	
32200 TRAVEL	223.40
33100 PRINTING/NOT OFFIC SUPPLIES	140.66
TOTAL ELECTION BOARD ENCUMBERED	364.06
1000-0011 COUNTY GENERAL-EXTENTION	
32200 TRAVEL	632.69
1000-0161 COUNTY GENERAL/MAINTENANCE	
22400 JANITOR SUPPLIES	99.00
1138-0161 BUILDING/STRUCTURE	33.00
36400 BLDG/STRUCTURE	3,320.10
TOTAL MAINTENANCE ENCUMBERED	3,419.10
1000-0009 COUNTY GENERAL-PROSECUTOR	
31100 TRAINING	350.00
33100 PRINTING NOT OFFICE SUPPLIES	305.00
45100 LAW BOOKS	1,023.21
1000-0660 COUNTY GENERAL-IV-D	
33100 PRINTING	215.00
TOTAL PROSECUTOR ENCUMBERED	1,893.21
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1000-0005 COUNTY GENERAL/SHERIFF				
20900 RESERVE UNIT		1,500.00		
22100 GAS OIL ETC			6,183.62	
22200 TIRES & TUBES		1,722.40		
22300 OTHER GARAGE SUPPLIES		19.57		
22400 JANITOR SUPPLIES			1,475.25	
22500 HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES			3,472.00	
22510 K9 FOOD & SUPPLIES			1,092.30	
24300 INMATE UNIFORMS			127.24	
31100 TRAINING			361.95	
31600 MEDICAL & DENTAL			3,358.60	
34900 COMPUTER SERVICE			3,042.96	
36100 EQUIPMENT REPAIR			2,922.27	
36400 BUILDING & SRUCTURE REPAIR			746.70	
44301 EQUIPMENT			304.95	
1222-0005 STATEWIDE 9-1-1/SHERIFF				
34900 COMPUTER SERVICE			7,970.00	
36100 EQUIPMENT REPAIR			1,584.00	
TOTAL SHERIFF ENCUMBERED	35,883.81		2,55	
1000-0750 COUNTY GENERAL/SOIL & WATER				
33100 PRINTING NOT OFFICE SUPPLIES			216.20	
1224-0008 REASSESSMENT/ASSESSOR				
30701 APPRAISER FEES			700.00	
1170-0301 LIT PUBLIC SATETY/EMS				
22100 GAS OIL ETC.			1,126.09	
22400 JANITOR SUPPLIES			19.78	
24000 MEDICAL GASES		4 407 47	264.96	
31801 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		1,107.17		
32401 INTERNET/CABLE			20.00	
36100 EQUIPMENT REPAIR			1,179.58	0.747.50
TOTAL EMS ENCUMBERED				3,717.58
1138-0069 CUM CAP DEVELOPMENT/IT		4 707 50		
31101 CONSULTANT		4,797.50		
32700 CELL PHONES		1,583.25		C 200 7F
TOTAL IT ENCUMBERED				6,380.75
1107-0305 AVIATION/AVIATION				
35100 ELECTRIC WATER GAS			334.47	
1000-0626 COUNTY GENERAL/ANIMAL CONTROL				
44301 EQUIPMENT		167.71		
TOTAL ENCUMBERED	94,905.36			
9	Summary			
1000 County General			50,208.28	3
1107 Aviation			334.47	
1112 LIT Economic Development			20,578.18	}
1138 Cum Cap Development			9,700.85	
1170 LIT Public Safety			3,717.58	
1222 Statewide 911			9,554.00	
1224 Reassessment			700.00	
9148 Family Treatment Grant			112.00	
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TOTAL			941,905.3	ь

Mike Tiede made a motion to approve 2022 pay 2023 encumbered claims as presented, Jeffrey Richwine seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The following advertised additionals presented for approval:

\$6,625.00 1175-0005 Misdemeanant Fund/Sheriff (Repairs & Maintenance)
\$235,000.00 1176-0530 Motor Vehicle/Highway (Building & Structures Repair-roof)
\$325,000.00 1173-0531 Motor Vehicle/Highway restricted (Hot Mix)
\$4,407.86 8138-0232 PD Reimbursement Grant/Circuit Court

Mike Tiede made a motion to approve the additionals as advertised, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Michael Tied made a motion to approve and sign the February 13, 2023 regular session minutes, Adam Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The shop roof at the Recycling Center discussed. It is in bad shape and recent rains have allowed water to get inside. Estimates had been presented to Commissioners in 2020, which were approved subject to Council funding but Council tabled this issue and it was never brought up again. No decision made.

Bottlebrush Solar agreement discussed as to ethics for the County Attorney to be working for the County but paid by solar company. County Attorney represents Pulaski County in working with and agreement says Bottle Brush Solar will pay Pulaski County Attorney \$75,000. Shouldn't this be paid to Pulaski County and then we pay our attorney? Tabled for the next joint session.

Adam Loehmer announced his resignation from Council due to personal reasons. Paperwork will be filed in Clerk's Office by the end of this week.

Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission (K-IRPC) is having an open house in Monon on May 25, 2023 to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With no other business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 6:58PM.

Approved and signed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023 by the **PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**.

KENNETH BOSWELL	MICHAEL TIEDE		JEFFREY RICHWINE
JERRY LOCKE	TIM OVERMYER		BRADLEY BONNELL
VACANT	ATTEST:		
			LAURA WHEELER, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN