

**PIKE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 12, 2025**

**Jon Craig, President
Max Elliott
Jeff Harting
Travis Troutman**

**Greg Willis, Vice President
Randy Harris
Eric Smith**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Vice-President Greg Willis called the meeting to order due to the absence of Pike County Council President Jon Craig. All other Councilmen were present as well as Pike County Auditor Judith Gumbel. Others in attendance who signed the register included Chief Deputy Auditor Audra Warner, Pike County Sheriff Jason McKinney, Pike County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jill Hyneman, Jail Matron Ashley Gideon, EMS Director Chris Young, EMA-E-911 Director Kyler Henry, Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton, Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, Pike County Recorder Misty Coleman, Health Office Manager Natalie Byrd, Park and Recreation Superintendent Brandon Schultheis, Pike County Prosecutor Darin McDonald, and County Administrator Kristi Dischinger.

VP Willis stated that Treasurer Susan Brittain, EMA-E-911 Director Kyler Henry, and Auditor Gumbel (for Park and Recreation) had transfers that were not on the agenda. They requested that Council ask that their transfers be acted on. He asked if there was a motion to allow the transfer requests to be heard.

Councilman Randy Harris seconded by Councilman Jeff Harting, motioned to allow the transfer requests. Motion carried 6 – 0.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - October 14, 2025, Regular Meeting and October 20, 2025, Budget Meeting.

VP Willis asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, he called for a motion to approve both sets of minutes. Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Eric Smith motioned to approve both sets of minutes. Motion passed 6 – 0.

3. RECESS THE MEETING AND CONVENE THE INNKEEPER'S TAX HEARING.

VP Willis called for a motion to recess the County Council Meeting and to reconvene for the Public Hearing for discussion of the Innkeeper's Tax. Motion was made by Councilman Max Elliott and seconded by Councilman Harris. Motion passed 6 – 0.

a. InnKeeper's Tax County Council Ordinance 2025-16

Executive Director of the Pike County Chamber of Commerce Jill Hyneman explained the Innkeeper's Tax. She explained that it was a 5% tax that would be paid on lodging at the gross retail income only by individuals purchasing lodging in Pike County at hotels,

motels, boat motels, Inns, Bed & Breakfasts, Online Short-term Platforms, and Cabins. She stated it would not be paid by those purchasing campsites at camping facilities such as Pride's Creek. It was stressed that this is not a tax on Pike County citizens unless those citizens are utilizing the facilities stated. The tax will be collected by the establishment and sent to the State which will return the money to the County and it will be receipted into a fund called Pike County Tourism. The authority lies with I.C. 6-9-18-3. The effective date for the imposition of the tax is January 1, 2026, with March 1st being the day that the County should actually start to receive revenue. Eighty counties in Indiana have this tax and 4 additional counties are in the process of establishing it.

VP Willis called for comments from the public. The call was made three times. There were no comments.

4. RECONVENE THE PIKE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

VP Willis called for a motion to close the hearing and reconvene the regular Council Meeting. Motion was made by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Harting. Motion passed 6 – 0.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. County Council Ordinance 2025-16 Pike County InnKeeper's Tax

VP Willis asked Council if they had any questions regarding the proposal for County Council Ordinance 2025-16 Pike County InnKeeper's Tax? Hearing none, he asked if Council wanted to make a motion at this time to approve the ordinance.

Councilman Harting seconded by Councilman Smith motioned to approve Pike County Council Ordinance 2025-16 for the Pike County InnKeeper's Tax as written. Motion carried 6 – 0.

b. PTO – Sell-Back Update

Auditor Gumbel reported that 19 employees have currently requested to sell back PTO as follows:

Total Requested \$28,354.64 Wage, \$2,652.78 PERF, and \$2,169.19 FICA

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Health Department Position

Health Department Office Manager Natalie Byrd explained that the prior person holding the Environmental Specialist position that did the Food Sanitarian duties retired. She had asked for the position to be reduced to 16 hours. This could be done because she was fully trained for the position. A new employee will not have that training. Therefore, the Health Department is asking that the Council increase the hours for the position to twenty-four hrs/week. Councilman Harting echoed by Councilman Harris asked how long it would take to complete the training. Ms. Byrd stated at least six months. Councilman

Harting asked if after the new employee was trained, the position could be taken back to 16-hours. Ms. Byrd thought that it would be hard to take the position back to 16 – hours after the training was complete. Ms. Byrd was asked if she thought the position should be 24-hours, and the answer was “Yes.” Councilman Travis Troutman stated that it was 24-hours before and the Health Board was in favor of 24-hours.

Councilman Troutman seconded by Councilman Smith motioned to bump the position up to a 24-hour part-time position. Motion carried 6 – 0.

b. 2026 Wage & Salary Ordinance

Auditor Gumbel stated that these are the salary equivalents to what was approved in Pike County Budget Ordinance in October. The positions are expressed either as a bi-weekly pay or an hourly rate. She called Council’s attention to page 7 and the hourly rate of the pauper attorney. This is the minimum rate that can be paid by state law and is currently \$110/hr. She stated that just for the record, this has been the rate since January 1, 2025. She stated that this, therefore, needs to be stated as retroactive to January 1, 2025, on the 2025 Wage and Salary Ordinance as well as the figure for the 2026 Wage and Salary Ordinance. The rate for the County’s local attorney is \$120.18.

VP Willis asked if there was a motion to accept the Wage and Salary Ordinance as presented. Councilman Troutman seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the 2026 Wage and Salary Ordinances as presented and the retroactive wage of \$110/hr for the Pauper attorney on the 2025 Wage and Salary Ordinance. Motion carried 6 – 0.

c. Change in Financial Institutions Tax and Commercial Vehicle Excise Tax

Auditor Gumbel explained that a change in the distribution of the FIT and CVET monies was made by the State Legislature, and it is effective with the 2025 fall settlement. This money is collected by the State and sent to the County for distribution to the taxing districts within the County as said districts are eligible. In the past each unit receiving distributions were to place the distributions in their accounts/funds as per the approved property tax rates for the taxing unit. The new law is that each taxing unit can use the money at the unit’s discretion. Therefore, Auditor Gumbel will distribute the portions received from the state to each taxing unit without notation as to how it should be spent. Her question to the Council was where to deposit the County’s portion of the funds. Her recommendation was to do it in the matter that it has always been done for the fall because the estimated dollars were used in the revenue calculations to be received when the 2025 budget was established. The County’s portions will be \$24,405 in CVET funds and \$1,039 in FIT funds. She stated that she would be asking the Commissioners the same question.

VP Willis asked if there were any questions and then called for a motion. Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to use the same formulas for distribution as has been the custom for the 2025 fall settlement. Motion carried 6 – 0.

d. W-2’s etc

Auditor Gumbel stated that she just wanted to remind everyone that W’2’s would be done online again in 2025. She asked Department Heads to be getting any change of

email addresses to her office. She stated that this was particularly important for the temporary workers such as the Pride's Creek workers.

e. Official Bonds

County Administrator Kristi Dischinger explained that this is regarding the public official bonds. She said that she had researched statute and found no required changes. Therefore, the recommendation is that the bonds be set at the same amount as 2025. This includes Recorder, Misty Coleman, Auditor Judith Gumbel, and Sheriff Jason McKinney at \$30,000; Prosecutor Darrin McDonald at \$8,500, Assessor Mike Goodpaster, Surveyor Rich Williams, and Coroner Nick Henson at \$15,000; Clerk Alan Evans at \$90,000; and Treasurer Susan Brittain at \$300,000. There is also a Faithful Performance Schedule Bond at \$250,000 for the Loan Administration Board and the Public Employees Blanket Bond at \$15,000. She stated that the Bond Ordinance established the amounts after the Council approves the amounts. She stated that the procedure would be a little different this year because the bonds would be sent directly to the officials, and they will be responsible for getting them recorded. GAB is using Cincinnati Bond company this year.

Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Max Elliott motioned to approve the bond amounts and the Bond Ordinance. Motion carried 6 – 0.

f. Indiana 15 Regional Council Appointment

VP Willis explained that Indiana 15 always requests their appointments be made in time for the appointees to attend Indiana 15's first meeting in January. Council President Jon Craig has completed his term as President of the Indiana 15; therefore, if Council so desires, his appointment to Indiana 15 could be changed.

g. Tri-Cap Appointment

VP Willis stated that Tri-Cap generally requests their appointee early. He said that Council's appointee for 2025 was Cindy Ridao. He stated that he had spoken with her and that she is willing to continue in the position if it is the Council's desire.

Councilman Harris stated that he would motion that Jon Craig be appointed to Indiana 15 and Cindy Ridao be appointed to Tri-Cap for the 2026 terms. Councilman Harting seconded the motion. The motion for the 2 appointments carried 6 – 0.

h. MVH Resolution 2025 – 24 Amending Resolution 2019-01 MVH Restricted Distribution

Auditor Gumbel reminded Council that at the beginning of 2025 it was discussed that Highway was going to be doing a lot of paving in 2025, and more of the MVH funds would be needed for preservation and thus the 1173 portion of MVH Fund increased. At that timethe distribution received from the State Motor Vehicle account was being divided between 1176 (maintenance) and 1173 (preservation and construction) on a 50/50 basis. The recommendation was to go to 40/60 with the higher percentage receipted into Fund 1173. She reminded the Council that at the close of 2024, \$400,000 of the cash in Fund 1176 was transferred to Fund 1173 due to more expenses in preservation. Resolution 2019-01 states in part “ ..beginning January 1, 2019, Pike County, Indiana will post at the

time of receipt of the distribution from the State Motor Vehicle Highway Account **at least fifty percent (50%_** of the distribution to MVH Restricted." At the time Council felt that this resolution stated that Auditor Gumbel could distribute the monies as needed as long as a minimum of 50% was placed in 1173. Therefore, no change was made in the resolution.

However, the SBoA Auditors, in the audit just completed stated, that this was not sufficient, the resolution should have been amended to state a 40/60% distribution. Auditor Gumbel asked that the amended Resolution now be passed and made retroactive to January 1, 2025. VP Willis asked if Council had further questions.

Councilman Troutman seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to resolution 2025-24 Amending Resolution 2019-01 MVH Restricted Distribution. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Auditor Gumbel then stated that even with the 40/60 split, Fund 1173 is getting short here at the end of 2025. SBoA has recommended that the County just pay the expenses out of 1176. This is not the preference of herself or the Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton because it messes with the tracking of the actual expenditures for road preservation and construction in the County, but it seems there is no choice.

7. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. EMS Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 1170

\$41,250	From	Fund 1170 Public Safety - EMS	\$901,767.76
	To	1170-10320-0000 Paramedic	\$63,278.67
Dollars are needed to maintain payroll until the end of the year.			

Hopefully this appropriation will carry the EMS Paramedic line to the end of the year.

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Harris motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation. Motion carried 6 – 0.

b. Pike County Highway Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 1112, CREDIT

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$140	From	Fund 1112	\$ 6,804,839.41
	To	1112-32300-0531, CR 300 N Des 1802900	\$864,723.88
An Invoice for EGIS was double paid and paid the incorrect amount. EGIS forwarded a check back to correct the error, this additional is to get the money back into the correct line items.			

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve. Motion carried 6 – 0.

c. Pike County Highway Requests Additional Appropriation from Fund 8300 General Fund.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$140.00	From	8300, 20.205 Bridge co/Co Rd 300 N Reimbursement Grant	864,723.88
	To	8300-50006-0000, CR 300 N Des 1802900	\$- 132,391.98

An Invoice for EGIS was double paid and paid the incorrect amount. EGIS forwarded a check back to correct the error, this additional is to get the money back into the correct line items.

Councilman Willis made note that the need was to get the monies into the correct accounts. Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve noting this was same situation as the previous request only in the reimbursement fund. Motion carried 6 – 0.

d. Pike County Prosecutor Requests Additional Appropriation from Fund 1000, General Fund.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$302	From	1000, General Fund	
	To	1000-30120-0009, Postage	\$208.89
Received reimbursement check from Pitney Bowes for \$301.88 and would like to put it back to add to postage.			

VP Willis explained that the Additional Appropriation was to put the postage reimbursement into the postage expense line.

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation request. Motion carried 6 – 0.

e. Pike County Sheriff Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 4950, Public Safety – Sheriff.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$7,800	From	4950, Public Safety - Sheriff	\$438,144.35
	To	4950-10145-0005, Road Deputy	\$ 61,700.36
Finish out payroll for 2025 due to earlier transfer and 2 road deputies selling back PTO			

There were no questions. Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Troutman motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation. Motion carried 6 – 0.

f. Resolution 2025-25 Approved Additional Appropriations.

VP Willis now called for approval of Resolution 2025-25 approving the Additional Appropriations as just approved by Council. Motion was made by Councilman Elliott and seconded by Councilman Harting. Motion carried 6 – 0.

6. TRANSFERS – BETWEEN FUNDS

a. Transfer per Pike County Ordinance 2025-04, Repaying Temporary Loan From General Fund 1000 to Cumulative Capital Development Fund 1138 Back to General Fund 1000.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$177,148.48	From	Fund 1138, Cum Capital Development	\$216,464.77

\$	To	Fund 1000, General	\$ 6,266,650.88
Repayment of Fund Loan. The year should end with a balance of \$130,000 dependent upon tax draw. If we receive the full amount levied, another \$91,383 will be received, and we will also receive excise. \$294,072 is the requested levy for 2026, and \$109,389 is the requested 2026 budget.			

Auditor Gumbel reminded Council that the balance in Fund 1138 was too low to complete the project of the County Technology update at the beginning of 2025. Therefore, Council had loaned \$177,148.48 from General Fund to Cum Cap until the property tax levy was deposited in Fund 1138. That has now occurred with more to come. The loan has to be paid before the year ends. VP Willis asked if there were any questions.

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the repayment of the General Fund loan. Motion carried 6 – 0.

7. TRANSFERS - REGULAR

a. Highway Requests Transfer in Fund 1176.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$6,460.21	From	1176-10750-0533, Workman's Comp	\$20,525
\$1,692.80	To	1176-10191-0531, Truck Driver/Equipment Operator	\$32,476.62
\$2,060.00	To	1176-10382-0531, Lead Person	\$3,292.10
\$420.32	To	1176-10710-0533, FICA	\$4,272.72
\$287.09	To	1176-10720-0533, PERF	\$6,414.35
\$2,000.00	To	1176-20371-0533, Other Garage & Motor Supplies	\$3,222.93
Transfer to payroll lines are needed to cover PTO time sell back for two employees. The transfer to other garage & motor supplies is needed to cover expenses for the remainder of the year.			

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

b. Highway Requests Transfer in Fund 1173 to 1176.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$14,444.37	From	1173-20520-0531, Blacktop Preservation	\$14,444.37
\$	To	1176-20510-0531, Bituminous	\$0.00
Transfer is needed to finish paving operations			

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Harris motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

c. Highway Requests Transfers in Fund 1176.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action

\$1,698.23	From	1176-20440-0533, PPE	\$1,698.23
\$654.50	From	1176-30500-0531, CDL Training	\$654.50
\$216.00	From	1176-30120-0530, Postage	\$216.00
\$782.53	From	1176-30230-0530, Professional Services	\$782.53
\$3,351.26	To	1176-20510-0531, Bituminous	\$0.00
Transfers are needed to finish paving operations			

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

d. Coroner Requests Transfer in General Fund 1000-0007, Coroner.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$175.00	From	1000-20340-0007, Fuel, Oil & Lube	\$775.84
	To	1000-30810-0007, Dues & Subscriptions	\$275.00
State Coroners' Association dues for 2026 are due by end of year, Last year's dues weren't paid until 2025 which is the reason for the shortfall. Cost is \$450 for 2026.			

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Troutman motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

e. Commissioners Request Transfers in General Fund 1000-0161, Courthouse

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$1,824.00	From	1000-20680-0161, Bldg Structure Repair Supplies	\$1,824
\$1,200	To	1000-30660-0161, Equipment Repair	\$517.34
\$624.00	To	1000-31680-0161, Building Repair/Updates	\$0.00
Account line changed names, no longer correct for budgeted items.			

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Troutman motioned to approve the transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

f. Solid Waste Requests Transfer in General Fund, 1000-0506, Solid Waste.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$1,200.00	From	1000-10200-0506, Site Attendant	\$20,753.03
	To	1000-10250-0506, Senior Site Attendant	\$1,431.04
Adjustment of payroll funds to cover end of year.			

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

g. Commissioners Request Transfer in General Fund 1000-0161 Courthouse.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
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\$4,000.00	From	1000-30140-0161, Telephone	\$7,829.06
	To	1000-30660-0161, Equipment Repair	\$517.34

Keep balance up for repairs. Several Invoices to be paid yet this year.

County Administrator Dischinger explained that she had money remaining in the telephone account due to a change negotiated in the billing. She is trying to have the money in place to pay for a chiller invoice along with some others. VP Willis called for a motion.

Councilman Harting seconded by Councilman Smith motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

h. EMS Requests Transfers in Fund 1170, Public Safety EMS.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts	Balance Before Request
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\$2,240	From 1170-20340-0000, Fuel	\$17,5226.63
	To 1170-30102,0000, Lawn & Bldg Care	\$2,328 .59
\$42.00	From 1170-30320-0000, Official Bonds/Insurance	\$339.56
	To 1170-30460-0000, Infectious Waste	\$73.64
\$900.00	From 1170-10720-0000, Perf	\$43,321.49
	To 1170-10351-0000, EMS Asst. Director	\$12,871.82
\$2,600.00	From 1170-10730-0000, Group Health	\$119,173.53
	To 1170-10351-0000, EMS Asst. Director	\$12,871,72
\$2,500.00	From 1170-10710-0000, FICA	\$26,072.76
	To 1170-10155-0000, PT Tech & Vac/Sick	\$7,731.71
\$10,600.00	From 1170-10720-0000, PERF	\$43,321.49
	To 1170-10155-0000, PT Tech & Vac/Sick	\$7,731.71
\$21,250	From 1170-10730-0000, Group Health	\$119,173.53
	To 1170-10320-0000, Paramedic	\$96,608.89
\$2,300.00	From 1170-10370-0000, Group Health	\$119,173.53
	To 1170-10341-0000, EMS Director	\$14,885.64

Transfers are to adjust for payroll until the end of the year including PTO Sell-backs. Also to continue to finish at Arthur and maintain balance for infectious waste.

Councilman Troutman seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

i. Health Department Requests Transfer in Fund 1161, Health First Indiana.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts	Balance Before Request
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\$6,000 .00	From	1161-40601-0161, Office Equipment 0610	\$11624.50
	To	1161-30102, Lawn/Building Care	\$2,123.73
This transfer is intended for the generator installation.			
\$900.00	From	1161-30080-0610, Translation	\$1,000.00
\$400.00	To	1161-30150-0610, Cell Phone	\$80.00 0.00
\$500.00	To	1161-30130-0610, Travel	\$19.56
This transfer is to update accounts to get through the year.			
\$3,700.00	From	1161-10680-0610, Community Nurse	\$51,400
	To	1161-10691-0610, Public Nurse	\$15 -\$720
Public Nurse account will need transfer for 5 pays to get through the year. (Now 4 pays)			

The generator has to be moved and installed at the new building. This protects the vaccine refrigeration. The nurse position was filled after the budget was set and the wage was increased.

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

j. Health Department Requests Transfers in Fund 1159, Health Maintenance.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts	Balance Before Request
\$807.00	From 1159-10166-0610, Pesticide Tech	\$807.64
\$3,400.00	From 1159-10460-0610, Overtime	\$3,444.40 \$3,429.40 now
\$1,408.00	From 1159-30101-0610, Rabies Control	\$1,500.00
\$1,050.00	From 1159-30210-0610, Mosquito Control	\$1,050.00
\$1,910.00	From 1159-30460-0610, Infectious Waste Disposal	\$2,000.00
\$8,575.00	To 1159-10691-0610, Public Nurse	\$15.00 -\$1,715.00 now
Public Nurse needs a transfer to be paid through the end of the year.		
\$90.00	From 1159-30460-0610, Infectious Waste Disposal	\$ 2,000.00
\$20.00	From 1159-30560-0610, Rebinding Books	\$ 700.00
\$110.00	To 1159-10710-0610, FICA	\$1,806.43 \$1,430.24
Transfer needed for FICA Expenses through the end of year.		
\$665.00	From 1159-30560-0610, Rebinding Books	\$700.00
	To 1159-10720-0610, PERF	\$2,182.25 \$1,615.71
Transfer needed for PERF Expenses through the end of year.		

The public nurse is paid from the two funds. This addresses wages, FICA and PERF for the position.

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

k. Prosecutor Requests Transfer in General Fund, 1000-0660, IV D.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$3,069.68	From	1000-10040-0660, IVD Clerk	\$11,556.80 Now 10,080.50
	To	1000-10030-0660, IVD Administrator	\$4,168.32 Now 2,720.72
The Admin fund will be in the negative due to paying out Connie Grable.			

Prosecutor McDonald stated that this transfer was needed due to the resignation of Connie Grable and her payout.

Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Troutman motioned to approve the transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

I. Recorder Requests Transfers from Fund 1189, Recorder's Perpetuation Fund

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
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\$4,650.01	From	1189-50000-0000, Miscellaneous	\$4,700
\$4,150.01	To	1189-10150-0004, Part-Time Clerical	\$7,985.99
\$500.00	To	1189-10710-0004, FICA	\$633.11
Purpose of Transfers is to cover possible deficit at end of year in part-time wages and FICA.			
\$49.99	From	1189-50000-0000, Miscellaneous	\$4,700
\$1,950.01	From	1189-30660-0004, Equipment Repair	\$1,950.01
\$2,000.00	To	1189-30230-0004, Professional Services	\$425.64
Purpose of Transfer to Professional Services is to cover next two AVID monthly bills (fluctuate based on quantity of documents recorded). Reason for deficit is from extra unexpected scanning project.			

The fee structure for AVID changed with the new contract and the service is being used more. Additional wages are needed to increase the part-time clerical coverage for the office.

Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

m. Auditor Requests Transfers in General Fund 1000-0002, Auditor.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
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\$1,500.00	From	1000-10131-0002, Deputy	\$29,263.88
	To	1000-10120-0002, Chief Deputy	\$4,760.56
This transfer is needed due to PTO Sell-Back and Comp Pay			
\$500.00	From	1000-30230-0002, Professional services	\$2,550.82
\$	To	1000-30220-0002, Legal Notices	129.38
\$402.79	From	1000-20200-0002, Office Supplies	\$1,402.79
	To	1000-20050-0002, Copy Machine supplies	\$157.88
These transfers are to have the necessary funds through year-end			

Two deputies have elected to take the sell-back option, and the cost of legal notices has increased from 2024.

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

8. PRE-APPROVED TRANSFERS

a. Circuit Court Clerk Requests Transfer in General Fund, 1000-0001.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$39.98	From	1000-30660-0001, Equipment Repair	\$479.50
	To	1000-30230-0001, Professional Services	\$44.00
To cover remaining cost for labor that Eck-Mundy performed on our PC's updating ISETS.			

b. Health Department Requests Transfer in Fund 1159, Health Department

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$15.00	From	1159-10460-0610, Overtime	\$3,444.40
	To	1159-10691-0610, Public Nurse	\$ - 15.00
Money is needed to correct – account balance.			

c. Sheriff Requests Transfer in General Fund, 1000-0380, Jail

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$366.25	From	1000-30520-0380, Hardware/Software	\$4,752.71
	To	1000-30230-0380, Professional Services	\$63.75
Reason not stated.			

d. Assessor Requests a Pre-Approved Transfer in Fund 1224, Reassessment.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$30.00	From	1224-30400-0000 Clothing Allowance	\$ 168.00
	To	1224-30141-0000, Wireless Remote Jet Pack	\$ 0.60
Remote Wireless Jet Pack had to be updated.			

The pre-approved transfers were covered by one motion. Councilman Harting seconded by Councilman Smith motioned to approve all of the pre-approved transfers. Motion carried 6 – 0.

9. Transfers – Inventory Control

a. EMS Requests Transfer Due to Inventory Control in Fund 1138, CCD.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$1,876.00	From	1138-40631-0161, CCD	\$66,121.38
\$1,414.00	To	1138-40500-0301, Computer Technology	\$0.00
\$330.00	To	1138-30230-0301, Professional Services	\$0.00
\$132.00	To	1138-30230-0301. Technology Infrastructure	\$0.00

This transfer is to purchase a new computer for the station at Otwell.

b. Auditor Requests Transfer Due to Inventory Control in Fund 1138, CCD

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$703.00	From	1138-40631-0161, CCD	\$66,121.38
\$488.00	To	1138-40500-0301, Computer & Technology Purchase	\$0.00
\$215.00	To	1138-30230-0301, Professional Services	\$0.00
To Purchase a 3rd Monitor for the Mapping Deputy.			

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the transfers for inventory control, a & b above. Motion carried 6 – 0.

ADDED AFTER AGENDA COMPLETED: These were added to the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

a. Park & Recreation Requests Transfers in Fund 1219- Park & Recreation.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$4,000	From	1219-10830-0000, Lifeguards	\$6,478.63
\$2,000	To	1219-10301-0000, Maintenance Foreman	\$3,259 \$2,086.76 now
\$2,000	To	1219-10880-0000, Maintenance Level 1	\$1,120 - \$148.88 now
This transfer is to cover payroll expenses for the remainder of the year.			

Auditor Gumbel clarified that this item was submitted with ample time to get it added to the agenda. The Auditor did not see the request.

Councilman Harting seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

b. Pike County EMA Requests Transfer in General Fund 1000-0302 - EMA

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$17.23	From	1000-20300-0302, Vehicle Maint/Gas	\$1193
	To	1000-20601-0302, Operating Supplies	\$142.77
Pay for toner for EMA Printer			

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

c. E-911 Requests Transfers in Fund 1222, Statewide E-911.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$362.00	From	1222-20080-0000, Computer Upgrade/Supplies	\$1,750
\$	To	1222-20200-0000, Office Supplies	\$13
Pay for toner for E-911			
\$1,250	From	1222-30660-0000, Equipment Repair	\$2,620
	To	1222-30810-0303, Professional Services 0000	\$450
Pay for WTH Invoice Subscription			

Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

d. E-911 Requests Transfer in General Fund 1000-0303 – County E-911.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$63.21	From	1000-30200-0303, Printing & Advertising	\$1,000
\$	To	1000- 30230-0303, Professional Services	\$1,029.96
Pay for Rental Contract on Dispatcher Chairs.			

VP Willis asked if they leased chairs. The reply was affirmative. Every year they get two new chairs.

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Troutman motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

e. Treasurer Requests Transfer in General Fund 1000-0003 – Treasurer.

AMOUNT	Funds & Accounts		Balance Before Request
\$1,649.97	From	1000-30230-0003, Professional Services	\$2,258.26
	To	1000- 40601-0003, Office Equipment	\$13.71
This transfer is to purchase 3 Epson Validators – replacing three that keep breaking down.			

The most recent breakdown was last week. Therefore, the purchase was made too late to get it on the transfer docket. The old ones were purchased in 2011. Treasurer Susan Brittain thanked the Council for adding her to the agenda.

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to approve the transfer. Motion carried 6 – 0.

10. BUSINESS BY COUNCIL

a. Department Reports

i. EMS

EMS Director Young stated that they picked up the ambulance for remount on 10-27-25. He also shared that until the government reopens he cannot submit a claim to medicare. Revenue will continue to come in from private sources.

ii. Highway

Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd stated that he needed approval to apply for Federal Aid for Bridge 32. The total project estimate is \$3,000,000. Our part will be \$600,000. A letter of support must be signed. This particular bridge is located on Co Rd 500W by Oatsville and is a historical bridge. It connects Gibson and Pike County. Superintendent Byrd stated that if they ever decided not to fix a historic bridge, we would not be eligible for any further federal funding.

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned for President Craig or Councilman Willis to sign the funding letter. It should be prepared by next week. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Superintendent Byrd also informed the Council that he would be requesting and Additional Appropriation in the amount of \$100,000 for rock at the December meeting.

b. Treasurer and Clerk Reports – These reports were in the Council packets for their review.

c. Annual Non-Federal Audit

Auditor Gumbel stated that the Audit is complete. The Exit conference is scheduled for November 20th at 8:30 a.m. All Council members are invited to attend.

d. Treasurer's Tax Sale – Report

The SRI Online sale went very well. The County has been paid for the properties. \$163,464.74 was received.

11. NEXT REGULAR COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING – December 9, 2025

12. ADJOURNMENT

VP Willis asked if there was anything else to come before the Council. Hearing none, he called for a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman Harting motioned to adjourn. Motion carried 6 – 0.

ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO REMAIN UNTIL ALL PAPERWORK IS SIGNED.

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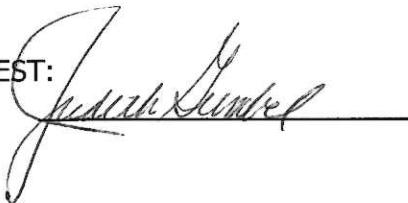
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