

PIKE COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES PIKE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING July 9, 2024

County Council Members: Jon Craig, Greg Willis, Dennis Bishop, Max Elliott, Randy Harris, Todd Meadors, Travis Troutman

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pike County Council President Jon Craig called the meeting to order with all Councilmen present. Also present included Auditor Judith Gumbel, Pike County Sheriff Jason McKinney, Chief Deputy Dallas Killian, Environmental Health Specialist Amanda Howald, County Sanitarian Kay Riley, Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, County Administrator Kristi Dischinger, EMA/E-911 Director Brandon Truitt, Auditor's Chief Deputy Audra Warner, Prides Creek Superintendent Brandon Schultheis, EDC Director Ashley Willis, and Press-Dispatch Editor Sherri Sebella.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES JUNE 11, 2024

President Craig asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, he called for a motion to approve. Motion was made by Councilman Max Elliot and seconded by Councilman Dennis Bishop. Motion passed 7 – 0.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Pike County Commissioners Request Additional Appropriation in Fund 1112, CEDIT.

Amount		Funds & Accounts	Balance Prior to Action
\$15,000	From	Fund 1112, CEDIT	\$5,397,833.40
	To	1112-40690-0068, Courthouse Windows Replacement	\$34,586.50
The additional is to replace damaged plaster around the newly installed windows.			

County Administrator Kristi Dischinger explained that the original quote for the plaster was \$40,000 and it was decided just to fix the plaster around the windows. The quote was made by Mehringer. and the quote was for \$7,200. However, it ended up that the \$7,200 only covered the 2nd floor. This additional appropriation is to cover the new quote which is actually \$14,700, and will complete the plaster repair on the 3rd floor. Councilman Greg Willis commented that the project couldn't be stopped now. He made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation and Resolution request. It was seconded by Councilman Bishop. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Pike County Commissioners Request Additional Appropriation in Fund 1000-0161, Courthouse.

Amount		Funds & Accounts	Balance Prior to Action
\$4,565	From	Fund 1000, General	\$8,252,939.17
	To	1000,30660-0161, equipment repair	\$3,394.56
This money is from insurance reimbursement for the mixer in Circuit Court			

Administrator Dischinger explained that this is insurance reimbursement for the Circuit Court Mixer and is necessary to appropriate it to get it into the correct expenditure line so that the repair bill can be paid.

Councilman Meadors seconded by Councilman Bishop motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.

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Highway Requests Additional Appropriations in Fund 1176, MVH.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$4,800	From	Fund 1176, MVH	\$2,074,901.11
\$2,800	To	1176-40610-0531, Equipment	\$0.00
Dollars are needed to get money into the correct account to pay for the replacement of a welder			
\$2,000	To	1176-30300-0533, Vehicle Insurance	\$29.00
Department has to pay insurance on the newly acquired truck.			

Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd explained that this appropriation was necessary to pay for the emergency replacement of the welder. The \$2,000 is to cover the premium on the proposed new truck.

Councilman Bishop seconded by Councilman Willis motioned to approve both Additional appropriations and the Resolutions. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Highway Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 1112, CEDIT.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$19,000	From	Fund 1112, CEDIT	\$5,397,833.40
	To	1112-40610-0531, Equipment	\$0.00
This money will be used to purchase a used service truck			

President Craig asked if this was for the truck that was discussed at the last Council meeting and Superintendent Byrd affirmed that it was.

Councilman Travis Troutman seconded by Councilman Max Elliott motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Highway Requests Additional Appropriations in Fund 9131, Community Crossings 2024-1.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$1,498,571 (\$1,498,570.65)	From	Fund 9131, Community Crossings 2024-1	\$1,498,570.65
\$132,206.85	To	9131-51518-0000, Des: 2400338	\$0.00
\$155,647.75	To	9131-51519-0000, Des: 2400339	\$0.00
\$145,728.51	To	9131-51520-0000, Des: 2400340	\$0.00
\$150,107.37	To	9131-51521-0000, Des: 2400341	\$0.00
\$149,993.94	To	9131-51522-0000, Des: 2400342	\$0.00
\$84,346.41	To	9131-51523-0000, Des: 2400343	\$0.00
\$114,680.64	To	9131-51524-0000, Des: 2400344	\$0.00
\$154,413.00	To	9131-51525-0000, Des: 2400345	\$0.00
\$169,357.93	To	9131-51526-0000, Des: 2400346	\$0.00

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\$125,056.45	To	9131-51527-0000, Des: 2400347	\$0.00
\$91,267.95	To	9131-51528-0000, Des: 2400348	\$0.00
\$25,763.85	To	9131-51529-0000, Des: 2400349	\$0.00
These are the appropriations for the 2024 CCMG Grant – 01. The projects have been approved			

These are the appropriations required for the CCMG 24-1 grant just received by the County. Councilman Willis seconded by Councilman Elliot motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation Request and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.
Councilman

Prosecutor Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 1000-0660, IV-D.

Amount		Funds & Accounts	Balance Prior to Action
\$17,452	From	Fund 1000, General	\$8,252,939.17
	To	1000-10020-0660, IV-D Deputy Prosecutor	\$298.13
Money is needed to pay the salary for the remainder of the year for IV-D Deputy Prosecutor's Salary.			

Prosecutor Darrin McDonald reminded the Council that it was not known during the budget discussions as to what the expense of the new IV-D Deputy Prosecutor Salary would be. Council discussed early in the year that there would be a short fall in what was allocated and that it would be prudent to address the shortfall later in the year. This request is what will be needed to pay the new Deputy Prosecutor for the remainder of 2024.

Councilman Troutman seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approved the Additional Appropriation Request and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Prosecutor Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 1000-0009, Prosecutor's Office.

Amount		Funds & Accounts	Balance Prior to Action
\$2,427	From	Fund 1000, General	\$8,252,939.17
	To	1000-10143-0009, Office Secretary	\$16,392.70
A vacancy in the Office Secretary position was filled by an individual in the Courthouse with a higher longevity rate.			

Prosecutor McDonald explained that when he had an unexpected vacancy in the Prosecutor's Office, the individual chosen for the position was a person who was previously employed at the Courthouse in another department. Therefore, she had considerable longevity. The person she replaced had zero longevity. Therefore, \$2,427 was needed to pay the new hire's longevity.

Councilman Willis seconded by Councilman Meadors motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation Request and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Prosecutor Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 2501, Pre Trial Diversion.

Amount		Funds & Accounts	Balance Prior to Action
\$1,073	From	Fund 2501, Pre-Trial Diversion	\$268,147.73
	To	2501-10161-0000, Felony Secretary	\$17,910.10
Longevity was inadvertently figured incorrectly and this amount is needed for the Felony Secretary's wages for the remainder of the year.			

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Prosecutor McDonald explained that the movement of a position from the Prosecutor's Office staff to the Pre-Trial Diversion was made during budget discussions. The person moved was one of his most experienced staff members. The increase in the amount of longevity that would be required was not remembered. Therefore, \$1,073 is needed to be added to the budget.

Councilman Bishop seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation Request and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.

I. Sheriff Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 1000 for Sheriff's Dept.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$20,000	From	Fund 1000, General	\$8,252,939.17
	To	1000-10460-0005, Overtime	\$ - 4,032.96
Over-time pay for Sheriff's budget, partially due to covering courthouse shifts (while Torin was in the academy), increase in extended juvenile transports, etc..			

The Sheriff explained that the department has been very busy. Since the Youth Village has closed in Vincennes, placements are hard to find for the Juvenile Offenders. Youth are being placed all over the state. The transport time has really increased. Two deputies have to make the trip.

He said that he has arrested 163 persons with 13 involving guns and 10 involving knives. He said that the department has taken 4008 calls through 6/30/2024. He has had to cover 156 training hours.

He has had to use overtime to cover the required shifts. Sheriff McKinney stated that this would hopefully last until the end of the year.

Councilman Troutman seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation Request and Resolution. Motion carried 7 – 0.

J. Sheriff Requests Additional Appropriation in Fund 1000 for Jail.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$1,024	From	Fund 1000, General	\$8,252,939.17
	To	1000-40610-0380, Equipment	\$ 80,946.00
Invoice for Eck-Mundy's services for replacing the phone system is higher than the original quoted and budgeted amount.			

Sheriff McKinney explained the new phones are finally in and working well. The challenge was integrating the phone system with the CAD system. This required unquoted parts such as screens and rack mounts as well as additional labor.

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Willis motioned to Approve the Additional Appropriation Request and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Commissioners Request Additional Appropriation in Fund 1000 for Solid Waste.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$1,926	From	Fund 1000, General	\$8,252,939.17
\$1,925.40	To	1000-20680-0506, Building Structure Repair	\$ 7,705.56
This is another portion of the insurance reimbursement for the storm damage at the Otwell Trash Site.			

Councilman Troutman seconded by Councilman Willis motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation and Resolution. Motion passed 7 – 0.

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TRANSFER REQUESTS

Prosecutor Requests Transfer in Fund 1000-0660

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$600.00	From	1000-10810-0660, Training Seminars	\$666.00
	To	1000-30120-0660, Postage	\$0.00
Not as much conference money was needed for the IV-D Deputy to attend the conference this year because he lived close enough to French Lick to drive every day. Postage fund has a 0 balance.			

The Prosecutor explained that the money would not be needed as appropriated and there was a need for postage.

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Bishop motioned to approve the Transfer. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Health Department Requests Transfer in Fund 1159.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$530.00	From	1159-27000-0610, Vaccines	\$4,305.34
	To	1159-30660-0610, Equipment Repair	\$ 0.35
The money is needed for maintenance on vaccine refrigerator			

Environmental Health Specialist Amanda Howald explained the this was unexpected repair. Councilman Bishop seconded by Councilman Elliott motioned to approve the Transfer. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Health Department Requests Transfer in Fund 1161.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$800.00	From	1161-10680-0610, Community Nurse	\$29,350.00
	To	1161-30101-0610, Building & Grounds Care	\$ 0.00
Transfer for mowing is to mow the lot at the new building. This is a new line item.			

This is a new item due to it being an unknown at budget time, and the money is available because the Community Nurse has not been hired.

Councilman Willis seconded by Councilman Bishop motioned to approve the Transfer. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Recorder Requests Transfer in Fund 1189, Recorder’s Perpetuation Fund.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$1,000.00	From	1189-50000-0000, Miscellaneous	\$5,000.00
	To	1189-40630-0000, Furniture & Equipment	\$ 0.00
To replace all “public use”/“searchers” chairs in the Recorder’s Office with 6 cleanable new year. The current chairs were already old hand-me-downs from other office and not cleanable.			

Recorder Misty Coleman was not at the meeting. Auditor Gumbel reminded the Council that the Recorder does not have to have the Council’s permission to spend Perpetuation funds but chooses to do so for transparency to the public.

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President Craig called for a motion. Motion was made by Councilman Troutman but died for a lack of a second.

PRE-APPROVED TRANSFERS

E-911 Requested Transfer In Fund 1222, State-wide E-911.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$500.00	From	1222-10810-0000, Instruction/Schooling	\$1,500.00
	To	1222-10460-0000, Overtime	\$ - 174.76
Money is needed to cover overtime payroll costs.			

County Recorder Requested Transfer in Fund 1000-0004, Recorder's Office.

Amount	Funds & Accounts		Balance Prior to Action
\$1.50	From	Travel Expense	\$600.00
	To	Dues and Subscriptions	\$40.50
Money is needed to renew Departments subscription to Press Dispatch for one year to check obligation of printed legals.			

President Craig called for a motion to approve these transfers retroactively because they were approved by Council policy by the Auditor as they were \$500 or less and in the same budget category.

Councilman Willis seconded by Councilman Meadors motioned to approve the transfers retroactively.

Motion carried 7 – 0.

BUSINESS/INFORMATION BY COUNCIL

Clerk and Treasurer's Monthly Financial Reports

President Craig called the Council's attention to the reports in their packets and asked if anyone had any questions. There were none.

Sheriff's Commissary Report

Sheriff McKinney distributed the Semi-Annual Commissary Report and asked if anyone had any questions. He shared that new legislation was not going to allow any time phone calls and that inmate communication would have to be done on line. He felt that the Commissary would lose about \$12,000 in revenue.

Highway

Superintendent Byrd stated that the Health Department parking lot was paved.

EMS

EMS Director Chris Young stated that the ambulance that was ordered in 2021 and another that was ordered in 2023 were soon to be ready for pick-up.

Park & Recreation

Superintendent Brandon Schultheis stated that he had a tractor in the shop and that an Additional Request might have to be made. He also stated that the camping season was slow at first, but things are picking up.

Health Department

More discussion was held with the Health Department regarding the mosquito spraying and larvicide treatment but no further action was taken.

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BUSINESS BY PUBLIC - None

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday, August 13 at 8:30 a.m.

BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING – Tuesday August 13th following the Regular Meeting and Wednesday August 14th 8:30 a.m. - ??

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

ADJOURNMENT

President Craig made a last call for any business to come before the Council. Hearing none, he called for a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Elliott seconded by Councilman Willis motioned to adjourn. Motion passed 7 – 0.

NAYS

Jon Craig, President

Greg Willis, Vice President

Dennis Bishop


Max Elliott

Randy Harris

Todd Meadors

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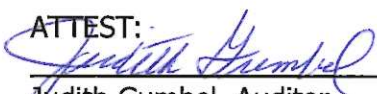


Todd Meadors



Travis Troutman

ATTEST:



Judith Gumbel, Auditor



Date