

**COUNTY COUNCIL**

**March 12, 2020**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Council convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, March 12, 2020 to consider additional requests in excess of the Budget allowed for 2020, and to conduct such other business as may be properly brought before the Council.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Council members present were John K. Pratt, President; Jack B. Butler, Rick Patton, Roy Wrightsman, James E. Howard, Thomas E. Stambaugh, Laura J. Fischer; Auditor and Rhonda Montgomery; 3rd Deputy Auditor. Larry Gambaiani, Vice President was absent. Also present were Julie Lanzone, Florinda Pruitt, Larry Bemis, Katie Potter, Kim Shorter, Mike Strack, Cyndi Todd, Donna McVay, Stacie Jeffries and Justin Cole.
- III. **READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on February 13, 2020 and the special meeting held December 30, 2019 were approved upon a motion made by Roy Wrightsman and seconded by Tom Stambaugh.
- IV. **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The Council considered additional appropriation requests as published in the newspaper February 26, 2020. Council President John K. Pratt reviewed the appropriations from written requests submitted by Auditor, Laura J. Fischer. Thus, the following ordinance was adopted: WHEREAS: it has been determined it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget for 2020, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Parke County, Indiana, for the expenses of said County government, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set out of the funds herein specified, subject to the law governing the same: Roy Wrightsman made a motion to approve the additional appropriation requests as advertised on February 26, 2020. The motion was seconded by Rick Patton and carried unanimously.

<b>FUND/ DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
<b>General/Ambulance</b>		
Major Budget Classification/Other Services-Charges/Service		
Contracts 1000-16-03-5083	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
<b>Total for General/Ambulance</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>
 <b>Sheriff Department</b>		
Forfeited Asset Fund/Other Disbursements/		
Transfer Between Funds 4920-00-03-6031	\$500.00	\$500.00
<b>Total Sheriff Department Forfeited Asset Fund</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
 <b>Sheriff Department</b>		
Controlled Buy Money Fund/Other Disbursements/		
Narcotics Investigations 4006-00-03-6031	\$500.00	\$500.00
<b>Total Sheriff Department Controlled Buy Money Fund</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
 <b>General/Circuit Court</b>		
CASA Match/Other Services-Charges 1000-14-03-5082	\$2,733.31	\$2,733.31
<b>Total General/Circuit Court</b>	<b>\$2,733.21</b>	<b>\$2,733.31</b>

<b>FUND/ DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
<b>Sheriff Department</b>		
Bears Behind Bars Donation/Supplies/ Operating Supplies 4109-00-02-3100	\$404.33	\$404.33
<b>Total Sheriff Department Bears Behind Bars</b>	<b>\$404.33</b>	<b>\$404.33</b>
<b>Sheriff Department</b>		
Anti-Meth Mini Grant/Supplies/ Operating Supplies 9122-00-02-3100	\$151.88	\$151.88
<b>Total Sheriff Department Anti-Meth Mini Grant</b>	<b>\$151.88</b>	<b>\$151.88</b>
<b>Sheriff Department</b>		
Operation Pull Over Enforcement/Supplies/ Operating Supplies 9109-00-02-3100	\$34.30	\$34.30
<b>Total Sheriff Depart. Operation Pull Over Enforcement</b>	<b>\$34.30</b>	<b>\$34.30</b>
<b>Sheriff Department</b>		
20.601 Summer Impaired Driving/Supplies/ Operating Supplies 8122-00-02-3100	\$125.73	\$125.73
<b>Total Sheriff 20.601 Summer Impaired Driving</b>	<b>\$125.73</b>	<b>\$125.73</b>
<b>Sheriff Department</b>		
97.067 Law Enforcement Tech Upgrade/Capital Outlays/ Equipment 8133-00-04-7020	\$192.81	\$192.81
<b>Total Sheriff Department Law Enforce Tech Upgrade</b>	<b>\$192.81</b>	<b>\$192.81</b>
<b>Sheriff Department</b>		
Sex and Violent Offender County/Other Services-Charges/ Training and Travel 1192-00-03-5020	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
<b>Total Sheriff Depart. Sex &amp; Violent Offender County</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
<b>Radio Ear Phone Mini Grant</b>		
Capital Outlays/Equipment 9131-00-04-7020	\$84.95	\$84.95
<b>Total Radio Ear Phone Mini Grant</b>	<b>\$84.95</b>	<b>\$84.95</b>
<b>Digital Camera Mini Grant</b>		
Capital Outlays/Equipment 9119-00-04-7020	\$59.38	\$59.38
<b>Total Digital Camera Mini Grant</b>	<b>\$59.38</b>	<b>\$59.38</b>
<b>Park &amp; Recreation Department</b>		
Park & Rec Shelter Donation/Capital Outlays/ Buildings & Structures 4111-00-04-7021	\$113.84	\$113.84
<b>Total Park &amp; Recreation Department</b>	<b>\$113.84</b>	<b>\$113.84</b>
<b>Probation Department</b>		
Drug Court NADCP Training/Other Services-Charges/ Training & Travel 9105-00-03-5020	\$3,416.42	\$3,416.42
<b>Total Drug Court NADCP Training</b>	<b>\$3,416.42</b>	<b>\$3,416.42</b>

**Probation Department**

Drug Court Workshop/Other Services-Charges/  
Training & Travel 9110-00-03-5020

\$1,226.96                      \$1,226.96  
**\$1,226.96                      \$1,226.96**

**Probation Department**

Drug Court Loan Fund/Other Disbursements/  
Loans 9112-00-03-5081

\$370.72                        \$370.72  
**\$370.72                        \$370.72**

**Probation Department**

Secure Continuous Remote Monitoring/Capital Outlays/  
Equipment 9124-00-04-7020

\$944.60                        \$944.60  
**\$944.60                        \$944.60**

**Health Department**

Tobacco Cessation Grant Fund/Other Services-Charges/  
Prevention & Supply Communicable Disease  
9115-00-03-5013

\$1,947.17                      \$1,947.17  
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**Health Department**

93.617 2013 HHS Grant/Supplies/  
Operating Supplies 8112-00-02-3100

\$13,811.76                      \$13,811.76  
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**Health Department**

Vector Control Grant/Supplies/  
Operating Supplies 9145-00-02-3100

\$855.95                        \$855.95  
**\$855.95                        \$855.95**

**Health Department**

93.069 H1N1 160-66 Grant/Supplies/  
Operating Supplies 8105-00-02-3100

\$21.01                         \$21.01  
**\$21.01                         \$21.01**

**Health Department**

93.074 Zika Preparedness Grant/Supplies/  
Operating Supplies 8126-00-02-3100

\$73.00                         \$73.00  
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**V. TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** No transfers were submitted to the Council.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS:**

- The West Central Solid Waste District Annual Report and the Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission Meeting Minutes from the March 4, 2020 meeting were submitted for review.

**VII. JURY PAY:** No Jury Pay was presented to the Council.

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Parke County Redevelopment Commission (RDC) – Roy Wrightsman

- Large gathering at February 2020 RDC meeting, discussing a regional sewer district.
- Trying to obtain grant funding for sewer district study.
- Parke County Planning and Zoning Commission - Jack B. Butler
  - Permits were approved for a campground on Sugar Creek at the old go cart track property.
- Parke County Courthouse Security Committee – John K. Pratt
  - State Police conducted an active shooter training on January 24, 2020.
  - Will schedule a mock training this fall.
  - One camera at courthouse is inoperable.
  - Panic button was pushed accidentally.

## IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- Parke County Assessor - Katie Potter
  - Provided the Council with a list of important dates:
    - 01/17/20 – Sales file was sent to DLGF
    - 01/27/20 – DLGF approved sale file.
    - 02/10/20 - Mobile Home file was sent to DLGF.
    - 02/12/20 – Personal Property Forms were mailed to Taxpayers.
    - 02/19/20 - Submitted PTABOA report to Gateway.
    - 02/25/20 – Submitted Ratio Study to the DLGF
    - 03/03/20 – Received Ratio Study Approval from the DLGF
    - 03/26/20 – IBTR will hear the two Parke County appeals.
- Parke County Commissioner – Jim Meece
  - Four (4) County trucks still down with DEF failure. Sensors can only be replaced by certified technicians.
  - Still having difficulty with securing CDL drivers.
  - Purchased an outside letter box for tax payers to drop payments for Treasurer's office.
  - Praised Kim Shorter, Treasurer for doing a great job.
  - Ivy Tech Learning Center and Work I moving classes for outreach programs.
  - Discussed Spring road conditions.
  - Asbestos removal at Lee Alan Bryant property will begin March 30, 2020.
- Parke County Ambulance Director – Julie Lanzone
  - Provided the Council with an updated financial statement for the Ambulance Service.
  - Discussed Grant Application for Federal grant for fiscal year 2020 Rural Emergency Medical Services Training classes (Federal/no match).
    - Funds will be released August 30, 2020 - \$200,000.00
    - Recruitment & retention - EMTs.
  - Invited the Council members to attend the Ambulance Service breakfast scheduled for March 29, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.
- Parke County Coroner – Donna McVay
  - Reported six (6) deaths so far in 2020. Thirty (30) total in 2019.
  - Will attend a mass fatality training specific to rural areas.
- Parke County Clerk – Stacie Jeffries
  - New voting equipment will arrive tomorrow 03/13/20.
  - Clerk's office staff has completed MicroVote Training.
  - Election Board met to discuss consolidation of polling locations.
    - Board voted to reduce number of polling locations from twelve (12) to nine (9).
    - Commissioners will vote 03/16/20 and then Clerk will publish in newspaper.
- Parke County Sheriff - Justin Cole
  - Provided the Council with the year-to-date numbers for the Jail.

- SAS has begun replacing the Jail's Security Control System upgrade. Expects the work to be completed in a month.
- Seized and forfeited asset auction set for April 11, 2020.
- Presented two (2) grant applications for approval.
  - Drug Training Fund for all officers (State/no match).
    - Local Coordinating Council (LCC) - \$3,000.00
  - School Resource Officer Training (State/no match).
    - Local Coordinating Council (LCC) - \$4,000.00
- Parke County Auditor – Laura J. Fischer
  - Currently working on the Abstract.
  - The Annual Report (AFR) has been submitted to the State.
- Vermillion County Treasurer – Florida Pruitt
  - Vermillion County tax statements will go out end of March.
  - Parke County tax statements go out first of April.
    - All counties statements look the same, very confusing.
    - No total at bottom.
    - Hoping DLGF will change next year.
- Roy Wrightsman presented revisions to the 2019 encumbrances and made a motion to approve. Tom Stambaugh seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Roy Wrightsman made a motion to approve the grant requests as presented by Julie Lazone, Ambulance Director (1) and Justin Cole, Parke County Sheriff (2). Jack B. Butler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- The Council reviewed the Veteran's Service Officer 2019 Annual Report.
- The Council was presented with Parke County **Resolution 2020-05** for their consideration. The ordinance declares specific General Ledger accounts dormant and remaining balances can now be transferred to the General Fund. Those affected are Fund#4104 CASA Donation Fund \$191.65; Fund#4800 Courthouse Construction \$7,710.84; Fund#4905 Crime Victims Assistance \$3,543.29; Fund#9104 Family Court Grant \$2,335.00; Fund#9113 Judges Juvenile Incentive Fund \$16.14 and Fund#9141 Bicentennial Local Grant \$95.66. Roy Wrightsman made a motion to approve the total of \$13,892.58 in dormant funds to be transferred to the General Fund. Rick Patton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- The Council reviewed recommendations for appointments to the Montezuma Public Library Board. Paul Ballantyne wishes to continue for a third term of four years. A recommendation was made for Sara Morgan to replace Malcolm Moore. Tom Stambaugh made a motion to accept the recommendation. Rick Patton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- The Council requested the Commissioners sign a hand-typed check at their upcoming meeting to send the additional commitment to the Parke Vermillion Humane Society in the amount of \$10,000.00 for 2020.
- The Master Gardner Association invites the Council to attend the March 17 program dealing with climate change. The meeting will be held at the Purdue Parke County Extension Office at 6:00p.m.
- Former County Commissioner Pat Leonard passed away.

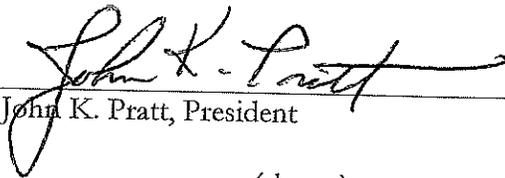
## X. OLD BUSINESS:

- Councilman Wrightsman requested a date of completion from the Auditor
  - February Additional Appropriations
  - Dormant Funds
  - EMA Grant
  - EMA Salary Reimbursement

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

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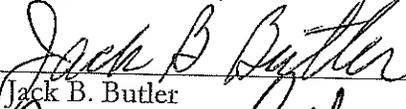
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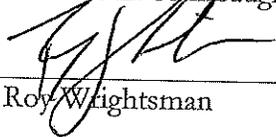
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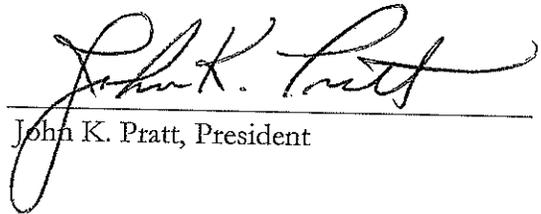
  
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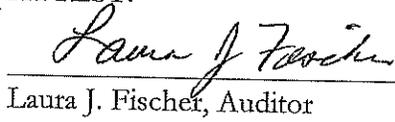
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**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by Jack B. Butler and seconded by Rick Patton, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

  
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John K. Pratt, President

ATTEST:

  
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Laura J. Fischer, Auditor