

COUNTY COUNCIL

August 13, 2020

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Council convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2020 to consider additional requests in excess of the Budget allowed for 2021, 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; Larry Gambaiani, Vice President; Jack B. Butler, James E. Howard, Rick Patton, Thomas E. Stambaugh, Roy Wrightsman; Laura Fischer, Auditor, and Tammy Thomas, 3rd Deputy Auditor. Also present were John Martin, parkewithoutreverse.org, Cyndi Todd, Donna McVay, and Justin Cole.
- III. **READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on July 9, 2020 were approved upon a motion made by Councilman Roy Wrightsman and seconded by Councilman Thomas E. Stambaugh. The motion carried.
- IV. **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The following additional appropriations requests were approved on a motion by Vice President, Larry Gambaiani, and seconded by Councilman J.B. Butler. The motion passed unanimously.

Plat Book Fund 1181-00-03-5080	Copier, WTH split	\$4,500.00
Local Road & Street 1169-00-02-3100	Bituminous & dust control	\$26,443.26

- V. **TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** none
- VI. **JURY PAY:** N/A
- VII. **RE-APPROPRIATE FUNDS:** The following funds were approved for re-appropriation on a motion from Councilman Roy Wrightsman, and seconded by Councilman Jim Howard.

Public Safety	1170-00-03-5060	\$4,246.50	Insurance check from totaled Sheriff's vehicle
Drug Court Incentives LCC Mini Grant	9107-00-03-5081	\$1,080.00	Grant from LCC
LH Emer Pre-Parad LCC Grant	9117-00-03-5080	\$3,125.00	Grant from LCC

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Parke County Redevelopment Commission (RDC)- Did not meet.
- Planning and Zoning Commission – Jack B. Butler-Did not meet.
- Courthouse Security Committee – John K. Pratt-Did not meet.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- Commissioner President, Jim Meece reported on the COVID group meeting. As of this date, the county has 56 cases of COVID, Vermillion has 59. Parke County has 17 active cases, and 1 hospitalization. That puts our seven-day positivity rate at 7.7%. Vermillion County currently has a 12% positivity rate. The budget for insurance is currently one quarter

million below the expected cost. The final decision on the Covered Bridge Festival will be made at 4:00 pm on Monday, August 17, at the regular commissioner's meeting. Jim requested an extra pickup of the recycle bins at the old Shopko building. There have been items left on the ground when the dumpsters have been full. Mr. Pratt advised Commissioner Meece to bring more info before the council on this subject.

- Cyndi Todd, Redevelopment reported that the bidding is now closed on the Shopko building and there was some local activity.
- Kurt Lanzone, Extension office reported on the Parke County Fair that was held by virtual and in person options. He reported that the Fair went well. The fair auction went faster than normal. Christie Jacobs will be out until the end of September, so Kurt will be filling in.
- Coroner, Donna McVay reported the county is up to 20 deaths. She reported that she has a full-time deputy interested in being the deputy coroner. President Pratt pointed out that this was possible as long as the deputy would not cross over duties. They would be either on a call as a sheriff deputy or as deputy coroner.
- Chris O'Brien, EMA, was not available, so Heather Emery appeared before the board. She presented two grant approvals. The HMEP FFY 21 grant to update the Emergency Preparedness Plan will receive \$7,090. The FFY 2020 Emergency Mgmt. Salary Grant for the directors will be receiving \$18,000. The motion to approve these two grants was made by Councilman Roy Wrightsman, and seconded by Councilman Thomas E. Stambaugh. The motion passed unanimously. The CARES Act grant funds of \$30,199 will be received on Monday, August 17, 2020.
- Chris Newcomb, Supervisor of Parks & Recreation presented the Council with a letter from Doug Heinemann on behalf of the estate of Mr. John Isaac. Mr. Isaac has stated in his will that the donation money of \$5,000 was to be used only for the John Isaac shelter. This money had been deposited into fund 1219, however, Councilman Wrightsman suggested it be transferred to 4111 to be better tracked and only used for the Isaac Shelter.
- **Parke County Sheriff – Justin Cole**
 - \$14,100.50 has been billed for the month of July for Department of Correction and out-of-county inmates.
 - The gun permit applications are increasing.
 - An LED lighting upgrade started last week at the jail. The A/C unit in the Admin department at the jail is being replaced. Also, thirteen windows were replaced.
- **Parke County Ambulance Director – Julie Lanzone**
 - The board reviewed the July report from the Ambulance Service.

X. OLD BUSINESS:

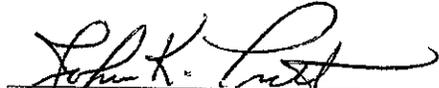
- President Pratt reminded the Council that the budget hearings are scheduled for Thursday, August 20 in the Auditor's office at the courthouse starting at 8:30 am. There will be no meeting on the 21st because the revenues from income tax will be unknown at that time.

There will be a special meeting dedicated to the review of this on September 18, 2020 at 1:00 pm at the EOC building.

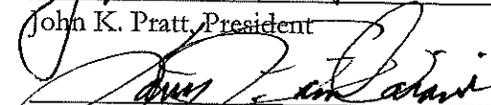
- Councilman Wrightsman stated that Form 3 was submitted to Gateway on the August 7th. Budget adoption remains on October 8, 2020 at the Council's regular meeting.
- Auditor Fischer had submitted the CNAV report on July 30, 2020 before the state deadline of August 3, 2020.

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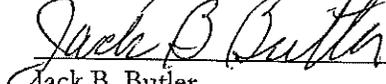
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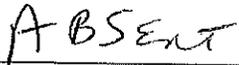
John K. Pratt, President



Larry Gambaiani, Vice President

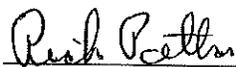


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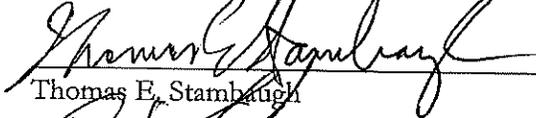
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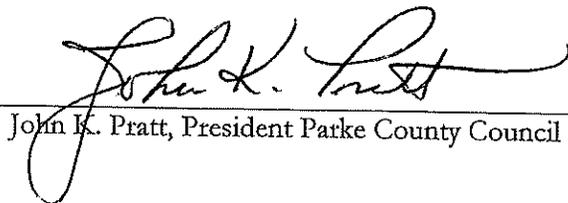
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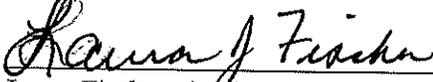
Roy Wrightsman

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Jack B. Butler and seconded by Councilman Larry Gambaiani. The meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m.



John K. Pratt, President Parke County Council

ATTEST:



Laura Fischer, Auditor

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