# Daviess County Council Meeting Minutes September 29 & 30, 2021

Meeting began at 8:30 A.M. in the Commissioners' Room of the Daviess County Government Center (The Public is invited to watch a live stream of the meeting, go to <a href="www.daviess.org">www.daviess.org</a> and click "Watch Public Meetings")

#### Roll Call.

Present: Tony Duncheon, President (Not voting), Matt Meredith, Vice President, Tom Schaffer,

Marilyn McCullough, Mike Myers Darin Holder.

Absent: Mike Sprinkle.

## THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## **SEPTEMBER 29th: 2022 BUDGET ADOPTION DISCUSSIONS**

Tony Duncheon left meeting 12:16 pm. He returned to meeting at 12:19 pm.

The Council went over and discussed all binding county budgets for 2022 and made some changes to different line items.

Tony Duncheon recessed the meeting until tomorrow morning at 8:30 a.m.

### SEPTEMBER 30th 2021 8:30 A.M. RESUME 2022 BUDGET ADOPTIONS

Darin Holder and Mike Sprinkle not present.

Tony Duncheon reconvened the meeting on Thursday September 30, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

The Council approved all budgets as reviewed and amended.

**Motion:** To approve the 2022 Budget as amended and discussed in the amount of \$35,304,993, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Matt Meredith, Vice President, **Seconded by** Tom Schaffer. Motion passed unanimously.

### **TOWN OF ELNORA 2022 BUDGET ADOPTIONS**

The Daviess County Council held a special meeting to review a petition from the Town of Elnora regarding their 2022 budget. IC 36-1-23-2 and IC 36-1-23-3 state that a member of the fiscal body of a unit may not participate in a vote on the adoption of the unit's budget and tax levies if the member is a volunteer firefighter. The unit may petition the County fiscal body to review that unit's budget.

Heather Davis, Town of Elnora Clerk Treasurer, came before the Council in regard to the Town of Elnora petitioning the Daviess County Council for an increase in the unit's budget and property tax levies. This request is due to two of the Town Council Members also being on the Elnora/Elmore Township Volunteer Fire Department. IC 36-1-23 does not permit the Town Council to adopt the Town's Budget. Ms. Davis presented the Daviess County Council with the Town of Elnora 2022 budget estimate.

**Motion:** Approved Town of Elnora 2022 Budget Ordinance, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Matt Meredith, Vice President, **Seconded by** Mike Myers. Motion passed unanimously.

### **MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 COUNCIL MEETINGS**

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Motion: approve, Action: Approve minutes as presented, Moved by Mike Myers, Seconded by Tom Schaffer.

Motion passed unanimously.

### 2022 MILEAGE RATE

Tony Duncheon stated the current mileage rate for the County is set at .38 cents. The current Federal rate for 2022 was set at .56 cents and the State rate is set for .41 cents. Matt Meredith stated he would be in favor for the rate to be set for .42 cents for 2022.

Motion: Approve mileage rate at .42, Action: Approve, Moved by Matt Meredith, Vice President, Seconded by Mike Myers.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **HELP RESOLUTION**

Bryant Neihoff with Daviess County Economic Development came before the Council with information that they can apply to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs for the Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program (HELP). He explained that the if they are awarded the funds HELP will provide a community coordinator for two years and would provide \$20,000 towards the salary for this position. Mr. Duncheon stated that they are willing to fund the position if we are awarded the funds in this program.

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Motion: Approve Resolution, Action: Approve, Moved by Matt Meredith, Vice President, Seconded by Tom Schaffer.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **ADJOURN**

Motion: to adjourn, Action: Adjourn, Moved by Mike Myers, Seconded by Marilyn McCullough. Motion passed unanimously.

Duncheon, President

Matt Meredith, Vice President

Mike Myers

Darin Holder

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Patricia K. Ball, Auditor of Daviess County