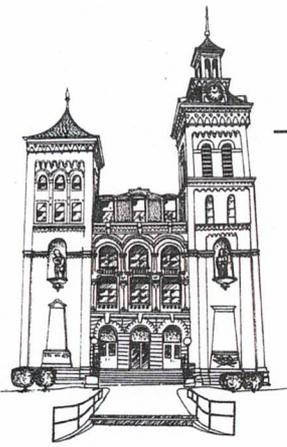


KNOX COUNTY COUNCIL

111 North 7th Street, Vincennes, IN 47591



December 9th, 2025 Minutes for Knox County Indiana County Council

Call to Order

A meeting of The Knox County Council was held on December 9th, 2025 at Vincennes City Hall at 203 Vigo St. It began at 5:00 p.m. and was presided over by President Mike Morris.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included Rich Chattin, Mary Crismore, Jon Hillenbrand, Mike Morris, Dan Reitmeyer, and Jay Yochum. Also, present Counsel Drew Porter, Auditor Lisa Clark/Benock and Auditor staff Julie Lancaster. Kevin Meyer was absent.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion: Moved by Jon Hillenbrand and seconded by Dan Reitmeyer to approve the agenda. Motion passes 6-0

Review of Minutes of Prior Meetings (November 12th, 2025)

Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Mary Crismore to approve the November 12th, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion passes 6-0

Appointments

- a. Freelandville Regional Sewer District (vacant) – NA

New Business

- a. Department of Weights and Measures Vehicle – Mike Montgomery and Sheriff Doug Vantlin – Sheriff Department has a truck available for Weights and Measures use. Motion: Moved by Dan Reitmeyer and seconded by Jay Yochum to approve the Sheriff Department truck to Weights and Measures. Motion passes 6-0. Sheriff Doug Vantlin a request to purchase new Tahoe from Commissary Account. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Mary Crismore to approve purchase of vehicle from Commissary. Motion passes 6-0
- b. Knox County Auditor Employee Bonuses – Lisa Clark-Benock – request for Comp payout for two employees Maegan Otten and Julie Lancaster. Motion: Moved by Jay Yochum and seconded by Rich Chattin approved as a transfer item #9. Motion passes 6-0
- c. Engagement of Reedy Financial for Audit of Pantheon – Motion: Moved by Jay Yochum and seconded by Mary Crismore to approve Reedy Financial \$15,000 will be split by City of Vincennes and Knox County. Motion passes 5-1

- d. Ordinance 2025-3 Permitting Recorder to Use Perpetuation Fund for Other Expenses – Motion: Moved by Jon Hillenbrand and seconded by Mary Crismore to approve Ordinance 2025-3 granting the Recorder’s Records Perpetuation Fund to supplement the Recorder’s 2026 Budget \$198,021.13. Motion passes 6-0

Appropriations and Transfers

- a. Johnson Township Fire District for a purchase of a brush truck – Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jay Yochum to approve Johnson Township Fire District request for purchase of a brush truck. Motion passes 6-0

Commissioners – Commissioner President TJ Brink -Additional Appropriation request from General fund 1000-130 for lines: PERF \$92,000.00, Social Security \$53,000.00, Insurance/Liability \$158,000.00 for low balances. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and second by Jon Hillenbrand approve additional requests. Motion passes 6-0 Transfer request from 1000-130 Unemployment line for \$38,735.87 to Mental Health \$9,475.00, to Drug Test/Background/driver \$7,160.87, and Animal Control \$22,100.00. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand approve transfer request. Motion passes 6-0 Additional Appropriation request from EDIT fund 1112 for Knox County Chamber of Commerce e-gift card program \$20,000.00 Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve request. Motion passes 6-0 Transfer request from EDIT Bridge 382- Old 41 N \$2,094.57 to Bridge #243 – Mays Rd; Moved by Mary Crismore and seconded by Dan Reitmeyer approve request. Motion passes 6-0. Invasive Species Eradication \$5395.00 to IT Hardware; Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand approve request. Motion passes 6-0. Highway Safety Plan \$11,000.00 to IT Tech Support. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve request. Motion passes 6-0

CASA – Additional Appropriation request \$450.90 to 1213 GAL/CASA Attorney Fund to cover cost of invoice. Transfer request \$7000.00 from 1213-000-10-1300 Admin Assistant to 1213-000-33-1000 Travel Lodging and Mileage to cover cost of mileage travel and hotel. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve the additional and transfer request from CASA. Motion passes 6-0

Auditor – Lisa Clark/Benock Transfer #9 request for comp pay out \$4,055.60 from 1000-102-10-1600 Land Transfers to \$2,387.91 1000-102-10-1300 Bookkeeper Julie Lancaster and \$1,667.69 to 1000-102-10-1200 Accts Payable Maegan Otten. Transfer #29 from 1000-102-10-1600 Land Transfers \$764.49 to 1000-130-11-7100 FICA \$310.26 and 1000-130-11-7200 PERF \$454.23. Motion: Moved by Jay Yochum and seconded by Rich Chattin to approve both transfer requests. Motion passes 6-0

Council – President Mike Morris transfer request for 706.28 from Awards and Recognitions to Meeting & Registrations. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jay Yochum to approve request. Motion passes 6-0

Courthouse Maintenance – Transfer request from telephone \$7,000.00 and gas \$5,000.00 to electricity \$12,000.00. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Mary Crismore to approve request. Motion passes 6-0

Treasurer – Transfer request from 1000-103-10-1600 Deputy – Moon line \$4,200.00 to 1000-103-10-1100 Treasurer-Joslin \$1600.00, 1000-103-10-1200 Tax Supervisor-Parish \$1200.00, 1000-103-10-1300 First Deputy/Bookkeeper Worland \$1400.00. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Dan Reitmeyer to approve transfer request for Treasurers office. Motion passes 6-0

Public Defender – #13 Transfer request from fund 1200 Supplemental Public Defender to fund 1000-141 Public Defender Reimbursable Atty Contract for \$5,000.00. #14 Transfer request from 1000-141-33-1500 Billable Hours \$5,000 to 1000-141-33-1400 Reimbursable Atty Contract; from 1000-141-33-1800 Transcriptions \$350.00 to 1000-141-22-1000 Supplies/Misc; from 1000-141-33-1800 Transcriptions \$3235.00 to 1000-141-33-1600 Attorney Professional Development. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve transfer request #13 and #14. Motion passes 6-0

Soil and Water - #15 Transfer request from fund 1000-134-10-2500 Pt Dev Dir-Hinkle \$22,632.00 to 1000-134-10-2000 CEO \$10,135.00 and 1000-134-10-3200 Soil Health \$12,497.00. #16 transfer request \$3725 from 1000-134-10-3100 Program Manager – Coats to 1000-134-10-2800 Interns and \$9,223.00 from 1000-134-10-3000 Resource Specialist-Burke to 1000-134-10-3200 Soil Health Specialist. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jay Yochum to approve transfer requests #15 and #16. Motion passes 6-0

Health Department – Krystal Russell- Administrator transfer requests for negative and or low balances #17 transfer request \$30,900.00 from 1159-000-33-4000 Rent to lines 1159-000-11-7200 Perf \$30,000.00 and 1159-000-22-1100 All Supplies. #18 from 1159-000-33-3100 Printing \$500.00 to 1159-000-10-1400 Health Nurse- Rivera \$400.00 and 1159-000-22-1100 Supplies \$100.00. #19 from 1159-000-10-2200 Animal Bites Investigator- Catt \$10,000.00 to 1159-000-10-1500 Health Nurse-Neighbors and 1159-000-11-7100 FICA \$5000.00. #20 from 1159-000-10-2000 Medical Billing Specialist – Taylor \$17,400.00 to 1159-000-22-2100 Nursing Supplies \$1,200; 1159-000-11-7100 FICA \$8,638.01; 1159-000-10-1500 Health Nurse-Neighbors \$2,000.00; 1159-000-22-2400 Produce Vouchers \$1,826.00; 1159-000-33-1800 TB Control \$650.00; 1159-000-33-2300 Education \$1,044.22; 1159-000-33-2301 Mileage \$600.00; 1159-000-33-2302 Lodging and Meals \$600.00; 1159-000-33-5020 Tobacco Cessation Program \$141.77; 1159-000-33-6600 Vehicle Maintenance \$700.00. #21 transfer request \$10,000.00 from 1159-000-10-1200 Registrar to 1159-000-10-1400 Health Nurse; \$4500.00 from 1159-000-33-4300 Malpractice Insurance to 1159-000-10-1500 Health Nurse; \$450.00 1159-000-33-5000 Uninsured Testing Program to 1159-000-11-7400 Unemployment; \$450.00 1159-000-33-5050 Fatality Review to 1159-000-22-1100 All Supplies; \$450 1159-000-33-5060 Obesity/community Health Program to 1159-000-22-1100 All Supplies. #22 transfer request \$6,000.00 1161-000-10-2200 Community Preparedness to 1161-000-10-1900 Sanitarian; \$8,300.00 1161-000-22-2300 CPR Community Health Supplies to 1161-000-10-2100 CH Nurse- Yochum. #23 transfer request \$36,000.00 from 1161-000-10-2700 Community Health Nurse to 1161-000-11-7200 PERF \$16,000.00; 1161-000-11-7100 FICA \$14,000.00; 1161-000-10-2000 Medical Billing Specialist \$3,000.00; 1161-000-10-1200 Registrar \$3,000.00. #24 transfer request \$6,600.00 from 1161-000-10-1300 Head Nurse to 1161-000-22-2100 Nursing Supplies \$600.00; 1161-000-10-1900 Sanitarian \$6,000.00. #25 Transfer request \$14,900.71 from 1161-000-22-2200 Emergency Preparedness Supplies to 1161-000-33-4300 Malpractice Insurance \$750.71; 1161-000-33-4200 Liability Insurance \$150.00; 1161-000-10-2100 CH Nurse \$7,000.00; 1161-000-10-1100 Health Officer \$7,000.00. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jay Yochum to approve Health Department transfer requests #17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25. Motion passes 6-0

Highway – #26 transfer request for \$3,000.00 from 1135-000-44-2100 Equipment to 1135-000-21-6000 Supplies. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Mary Crismore to approve transfer request. Motion passes 6-0

Parks and Recreation – #27 Loan Repayment -\$196,674.27 Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to repayment loan from Parks and Rec 1219-000-90-0001 to Rainy Day 1186-000-46100 per 4/8/25 Res 2025-4. Motion passes 6-0

County Council - #28 Loan Repayment \$2,000,000.00 Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jay Yochum to repayment loan from General Fund 1000-000-33-1000 to Rainy Day 1186-000-046100 per 4/8/25 Res 2025-4. Motion passes 6-0

Vacant Positions - Requests to Fill

Unfinished Business –

Announcements/Council Reports –

Kevin Meyer – NA

Dan Reitmeyer – Parks and Recreation sold old Encoco Mine property to DNR

Jon Hillenbrand – no report

Mike Morris – no report

Mary Crismore – no report

Rich Chattin – no report

Jay Yochum – no report

Date, Time, and Place of Next Meeting

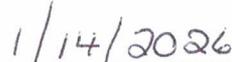
Tuesday January 13th, 2026 at 5:00 pm at Vincennes City Hall – 203 Vigo St.

Adjournment

Motion: Moved by Jay Yochum and seconded by Mary Crismore to adjourn at 5:41 pm. Motion passes 6-0



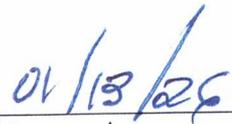
Secretary
Lisa Clark/Benock
Knox County Auditor



Date of Approval



President Mike Morris
Knox County Council



Date of Approval