

STATE OF INDIANA)
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COUNTY OF CLAY)

AUGUST 5, 2024

The August 5, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Clay County Council was called to order by President Larry Moss at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were Larry Moss, Jason Thomas, John Nicoson, Jackie Mitchell, Pat Heffner, Jason Britton and Dave Amerman. Auditor Patricia Foxx made a record of the proceedings, to wit:

John Nicoson led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the opening prayer by Jason Britton.

A motion to approve the July 1, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes was made by Dave Amerman and seconded by Pat Heffner. Motion carried 7-0.

Larry Moss made an announcement regarding the ransomware attack that happened at the courthouse.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Larry Moss read the following:

COUNTY EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Whereas, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

Sec.1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Clay County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the taxing unit the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds names and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

	Requested	Aye	Nay
Fund Name: <u>County General</u>			
Personal Services	\$ <u>480.24</u>	<u>7</u>	_____
Other Services and Charges	\$ <u>55,0000.00</u>	<u>7</u>	_____

Presented to the Clay County Council, read in full and adopted this 5th, day of August, 2024.

AYE

NAY

Larry Moss /s/ _____

Jason Britton /s/ _____

Jason Thomas /s/ _____

Jackie Mitchell /s/ _____

John Nicoson /s/ _____

Pat Heffner /s/ _____

Dave Amerman /s/ _____

Members of the Clay County Council

ATTEST: Patricia A Foxx /s/ _____

Patricia A Foxx, Clay County Auditor

Brison Swearingen, Sheriff, explained the request is from the overtime reimbursement from the DEA in the amount of \$480.24. The overtime will be for a period of time during the DEA investigation.

Nick French, County Coroner, explained the autopsy has increased with the retiring of Dr Korr and using the Regional Hospital.

Motion was made to approve the total of \$55,480.24 for the additional appropriations from County General by Jason Thomas and seconded by John Nicoson. Motion carried 7-0.

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS

There were none presented.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE 2024-06

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE

An ordinance setting compensation for certain County Employees, for the fiscal year 2024.

Be it ordained by the County Council of Clay County, Indiana as follows:

**COUNTY GENERAL
CLERK**

Clerk Stipend \$2500.00 Per Year

CASA

CASA Director \$20.62 Per Hour Non-exempt 1/1

PT CASA Advocate \$17.50 Per Hour Non-exempt 0/2

PT CASA Marketing \$17.50 Per Hour Non-exemp 1/0

Effective August 5th, 2024. Presented to the Clay County Council this 5th , day of August, 2024.

Approved by the following aye and nay vote.

AYE	NAY
<u>Larry Moss /s/</u>	_____
<u>Pat Heffner /s/</u>	_____
<u>Jason Britton /s/</u>	_____
<u>Jackie Mitchell /s/</u>	_____
<u>John Nicoson /s/</u>	_____
<u>Dave Amerman /s/</u>	_____
<u>Jason Britton /s/</u>	_____
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Amy Jordan, Clerk, explained the State passed the House Bill 1328 to allowed a stipend to County Clerks. She has enough funds to transfer to the new line item.

Dawn Creech, CASA Director, explained she is wanting to dissolve the Full Time position of the Assistant Director to bring back the Part Time position by using the funds to increase the Part Time employees.

Motion to suspend the rules was made by Jason Thomas and seconded by Jackie Mitchell. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2024-06 as presented was made by Dave Amerman and seconded by Pat Heffner. Motion carried 7-0.

IN THE MATTER OF 319 GRANT PRESENTATION

Laura Demarest, Watershed coordinator, presented Lower Eel River Watershed 319 federal grant the SWSD receives for clean water act. The grant is shared between Clay, Owen, Greene, and Vigo counties for the watershed. She would like a recommendation letter from the Council to go with the application. Larry Moss will prepare a letter from the Council to give to Laura.

Motion to approve the 319 Grant as presented was made by Jason Thomas and seconded by John Nicoson. Motion carried 7-0

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Jackie Mitchell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jason Thomas. Motion carried 7-0.

Members of the Clay County Council

Attest:

Patricia A Foxx, Clay County Auditor