

WABASH COUNTY COUNCIL

The Wabash County Council met in session on Monday, September 16, 2024 in the Commissioner's meeting room of the Wabash County Courthouse. Chairman Kyle Bowman called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Council members present: Bowman, Matthew Mize, Matt Dillon, Sam Hann, Philip Dale, and Gary Ridenour. Nick Kopkey arrived late. Bowman opened with a word of prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by County Auditor Marcie Shepherd.

First order of business was a review and approval of the minutes from the August 22, 2024 meeting. Dillon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Dale seconded the motion; it passed by a 6-0 vote, Kopkey absent.

Alex Downard, Imagine One 85, said the BEAD funding was not available yet. Mainstream did not come to the meeting, but will be here in October to report on expanding the Broadband in the county.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE #2024-85-07

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 Wabash County Council of Wabash County, Indiana, that for the expense of said county government and its institutions for the year ending December 31, 2024 the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

		PSAP # 1235			
		Requested	Appropriated	AYE	NAY
Other Services & Charges					
Telephone	1235.30240.000.0000	\$6,000	\$6,000	7	0
Software Maintenance	1235.30660.000.0000	\$2,000	\$2,000	7	0

Sandy Beeks, Central Dispatch Director requested an increase in telephone line to increase the internet speed. Dillon made a motion to approve the request. Ridenour seconded the motion; it passed by a 7-0 vote.

		GENERAL FUND #1000			
		Requested	Appropriated	AYE	NAY
Sheriff Supplies					
Garage & Motors	1000.22500.000.0000	\$5,000	\$5,000	7	0

Tyler Guenin, for the Wabash County Sheriff requested additional due to shortage in the account. The shortfall is due to a couple of vehicles accidents and increase in prices for normal maintenance. Dillon made a motion to approve the request. Dale seconded the motion; it passed by a 7-0 vote.

TRANSFER RESOLUTION **#2024-85-07**

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 Wabash County Council of Wabash County, Indiana, that for the expense of said county government and its institutions for the year ending December 31, 2024, the following sums of money are hereby transferred and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

INCREASE		Amount Requested	Amount Approved	AYE	NAY
Cumulative Capital Development (CCD)					
Capital Purchases	1138.40055.000.0000	\$50,000	\$50,000	7	0

SEC. 2 WHEREAS, it has been shown that certain existing appropriations now have unobligated balances which will not be needed for the purposes for which appropriated, it is further resolved that the following existing appropriations be reduced in the following amounts.

DECREASE		Amount Requested	Amount Approved	AYE	NAY
Cumulative Capital Development (CCD)					
Parking Lot Repair	1138.30682.000.0000	\$ 50,000	\$50,000	7	0

Auditor Shepherd, explained the transfer was needed to bring the account out of the negative and add additional funds for the purchase of snow equipment for the jail, and equipment for the Courthouse complex. Dillon made a motion to approve. Hann seconded the motion; it passed by a 7-0vote.

Adoption of the 2025 Budgets

Bowman asked if there were any questions on the 2025 budgets. Dillon made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-85-06 Wabash County 2025 Budget as presented. Dale seconded the motion; it passed by a 7-0 vote. Bowman made a motion to suspend the rules and move to second reading. Hann seconded the motion; it passed by a 7-0 vote. Dillion made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-85-06 on second reading. Dale seconded the motion; it passed by a 7-0 vote.

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

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Ordinance / Resolution Number: 2024-85-06

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Wabash County Council** that for the expenses of **WABASH COUNTY** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **WABASH COUNTY**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Wabash County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Wabash County Council	County Council	09/16/2024

Funds					
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate	
0005	CASINO/RIVERBOAT	\$60,000	\$0	0.0000	
0061	RAINY DAY	\$60,000	\$0	0.0000	
0101	GENERAL	\$17,780,096	\$5,588,961	0.3808	
0124	2015 REASSESSMENT	\$164,820	\$91,096	0.0062	
0702	HIGHWAY	\$5,310,530	\$0	0.0000	
0706	LOCAL ROAD & STREET	\$722,750	\$0	0.0000	
0790	CUMULATIVE BRIDGE	\$1,061,000	\$327,313	0.0223	
0801	HEALTH	\$475,437	\$334,623	0.0228	
1157	PUBLIC SAFETY ACCESS POINT - OPERATING	\$1,503,554	\$0	0.0000	
2391	CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	\$550,000	\$462,348	0.0315	
2411	ECONOMIC DEV INCOME TAX CEDIT	\$1,171,000	\$0	0.0000	
		\$28,879,187	\$6,804,341	0.4636	

Home-Ruled Funds (Not Reviewed by DLGF)		
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget
9500	HR # 1 Surveyor's Cornerstone Perpetuation(1202)	\$31,456
9501	HR #2 - Clerks Record's Perpetuation (1119)	\$10,600
9502	HR #3 - Recorder's Perpetuation (1189)	\$89,780
9503	HR #4 - Pre-trial Diversion (2501)	\$46,731
9504	HR #5- Security Protection (1160)	\$3,400
9505	HR #6 -Covered Bridges (1134)	\$4,500
9506	HR #7 -Drug Court (2511)	\$18,250
9507	HR #8 - Alcohol & Drug (2510)	\$93,726
9508	HR #9 - Clerk's IV D Incentive (8899)	\$13,792
9509	HR #10 - Emergency Right to Know (1152)	\$7,500

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9511	HR #12 - Local Health Trust (1206)	\$22,000
9512	HR #13 - Auditor Plat Book (1181)	\$28,141
9513	HR #14 - Adult Probation User Fee (2100)	\$174,689
9514	HR #15 - Juvenile Probation User Fee (2150)	\$3,050
9515	HR #16 - County Misdemeanor (1175)	\$19,102
9516	HR #17 - Sex Offender (4204)	\$1,000
9517	HR #18 - County Elected Official Training (1217)	\$4,000
9518	HR #19 - Sheriff Pension (1193)	\$21,000
9519	HR #20 - CASA (1212)	\$87,285
9520	HR #21 - Solid Waste Admin Fee (1194)	\$9,800
9521	HR #22-Commissary Payroll (4949)	\$46,462
9522	HR #23 - Statewide 911 (1222)	\$650,750
9523	HR #24- EMA Volunteer Support (4951)	\$8,200
9524	HR #25 - Recorder's Enhanced Access (1154)	\$17,313
9525	HR #26 -Local Health Maintenance (1168)	\$76,269
9526	HR #27 - SPHI - Strengthening Public Health (8850)	\$4,200
9527	HR #28 - LIT Public Safety (1170)	\$246,000
9528	HR #29 - Adult Probation Admin Fee (2000)	\$17,500
9530	HR #31- CASA Donation Fund (4112)	\$9,500
9533	HR #34 Auditor Ineligible Deduction (1216)	\$0
9534	HR #35- Accident Report (1101)	\$1,000
9535	HR #36 Firearms Fund (1156)	\$0
9539	HR #40- Unsafe Premises (1207)	\$27,500
9540	HR #41-21.027 American Rescue Plan	\$0
9541	HR #42 -Drug Free Community (1148)	\$0
9542	HR #43 - Opioid Restricted (1237)	\$100,000
9543	HR #44 - Opioid Unrestricted (1238)	\$100,000
9544	HR #45- LIT Jail (1233)	\$2,660,000
9545	Hr #46 Local Public Health Services (1161)	\$681,275
		\$5,335,771

Next on the agenda is the approval of the Solid Waste Management District 2025 budget. Dale made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-85-07 the approval of the Solid Waste Management District budget. Dillon seconded the motion; it passed by a 7-0 vote.

Susanne Katal requested information on the county website, the new website for the county will be live on September 23, 2024. <https://www.in.gov/counties/wabash/>. Katal then asked if the county had any plans to scan our documents online. The Recorder is giving a presentation during the October Council meeting.

With no other business to come before the Council, Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The next regularly scheduled meeting is October 21, 2024 @ 6:00pm.

Items for Review: Auditor & Treasurer Financial Reports for August 2024
Solid Waste Management District Income Statements for August 2024
Wabash County Soil & Water Conservation August 2024

The following individuals also attended the County Council meeting:

**If any names are spelled incorrectly, we apologize.*

Chief Deputy Auditor Shelly Baucco, Barry J. Eppley, Jeff D. Dawes, Barry Eppley, Nicky Burnsworth, David Terflinger, Cheryl Evenson, LuAnn Layman, Cole Wyatt, Tyler Niccum, Stacie Frehse, Tammy Ingalls, T.S. Kaltman, Jim Dixon and Cheryl Ross. Via Zoom: Rich Mofield.

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Matthew Mize, Vice-Chairman

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Attest: Marcie Shepherd
Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor