



Lake County Council

April 8, 2025

Regular Meeting – 10:00 AM

Agenda

2293 N. Main St.

Commissioners Court Room/Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, Building A

Crown Point, IN 46307

1: Opening

Moment of Reflection

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of County Council Members

County Council Secretary – Auditor's Office

2: Minutes

March 11, 2025

Regular Meeting

3: Awards/Resolutions

- A. Resolution proclaiming April as Autism Awareness Month and recognizing Logan's Love-Logan Speaks.
- B. Resolution honoring Merrillville High School Senior Adrian Pellot, IHSAA State Wrestling Champion – 165 Pound Weight Division. (BILSKI)
- C. Resolution honoring Lowell High School Freshman Kameron Hazelett, IHSAA State Wrestling Champion – 285 Pound Weight Division. (NIEMEYER)

4: Acknowledgments/Announcements

- A. Syd Garner Scholarship Award – Jaclyn Cavillo. (CID & LINDEMULDER)
- B. The Surveyor's office earned the Certificate of Platinum Achievement from the Indiana Geographic Information Office. (NIEMEYER, CID & BROWN)
- C. The Lake County Sheriff named the 2025 Patrol Officers of the Month for January and February- Officers Matt Anderson and John Garreffa. Special recognition to Detective Shane Ratkovich and Detective Sergeant Cody Mansfield for Outstanding Felony Case Support. (CID, BROWN & NIEMEYER)
- D. The School City of East Chicago earns honor in 2025 Magna Awards Program for Innovation. (CID)
- E. Congratulations to Tamarrion Ellis of East Chicago for achieving a perfect score on the SAT. (CID)

5: Auditor – 1002

(HAMM, BROWN & CID)

A. Rev. 144 – Auditor Ineligible Deduction Fund – 1329 **WITHDRAWN**

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
39002-046 Supplemental Pay NGenFnd 1329	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 0.00	(\$ 4,200.00)
39002-059 Supplemental Pay NGenFnd 1329	\$ 13,124.00	\$ 0.00	(\$ 13,124.00)
39002-XXX Supplemental Pay NGenFnd 1329	\$ 0.00	\$ 17,324.00	\$ 17,324.00
Total(s):	<u>\$ 17,324.00</u>	<u>\$ 17,324.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

B. Ordinance **WITHDRAWN**

Ordinance amending The Lake County 2025 Salary Ordinance, Ordinance No. 1500F, reorganizing existing Supplemental Pay positions in The Lake County Auditor's office, (Fund 7293-1002).

C. Resolution

Resolution permitting The Lake County Auditor to pay an outstanding 2024 invoice/debt from the 2025 budget.

6: Coroner's Office – 1007

(NIEMEYER, CID & BROWN)

A. Create New Line Item – Coroner's Motherhood & Infant Hlth Initiative Program Grant/SUID/SDY Grant Fund – 8126

64490 Other Equipment

B. Appropriation – Coroner's Motherhood & Infant Hlth Initiative Program Gran/SUID/SDY Grant Fund – 8126

64490 Other Equipment \$ 2,616.84

Total: \$ 2,616.84

C. Create New Line Item – General Fund – 1001

63620 Equipment Repair

D. Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 62255 Pathology Supplies	\$ 3,500.00	
63130 Toxicology Lab	\$ 3,000.00	
To: 64490 Other Equipment		\$ 3,500.00
63620 Equipment Repair		\$ 3,000.00
Total:	<u>\$ 6,500.00</u>	

E. Ordinance

Ordinance amending The Lake County 2025 Salary Ordinance, Ordinance No. 1500F, reorganizing positions in The Lake County Coroner's office, (Fund 1001-1007).

7: Hobart Township Assessor – 2004

(BILSKI, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

Transfer – Reassessment 2015 Fund – 1337

From: 61100 Overtime	\$ 5,000.00	
To: 63190 Other Professional Service		\$ 5,000.00
Total:	\$ 5,000.00	

8: Ross Township Assessor – 2005

(BILSKI, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

A. Create New Line Item(s) – Reassessment 2015 Fund – 1337

62210 Petroleum

B. Transfer – Reassessment 2015 Fund – 1337

From: 64440 Motor Vehicles	\$ 1,000.00	
To: 62210 Petroleum		\$ 1,000.00
Total:	\$ 1,000.00	

9: Criminal Courts – 3002

(HAMM, BILSKI & LINDEMULDER)

A. Rev. 144 – General Fund – 1001

<u>Effective (4-14-2025)</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
12428-013 Probation Officer	\$ 72,828.00	\$ 45,548.00	(\$ 27,280.00)
Total(s):	\$ 72,828.00	\$ 45,548.00	(\$ 27,280.00)

B. Appropriation – Superior Court Criminal Division SAFE Grant Fund – 9448

63190 Other Professional Service	\$ 24,185.01
Total:	\$ 24,185.01

10: Lake Sup. Ct. County Div. Rm. 1 – 4002

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

A. Create New Line Item – Supplemental Adult Probation Fund – 2143

61190 Part-Time

B. Appropriation – Supplemental Adult Probation Fund – 2143

61190 Part-Time	\$ 5,000.00
Total:	\$ 5,000.00

11: LADOS Division 1 – 4008

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

Transfer – Division 1 LADOS Fund – 4217

From: 61120 Professionals	\$ 10,000.00	
To: 61190 Part-Time		\$ 10,000.00
Total:	\$ 10,000.00	

12: Lake Sup. Ct. County Div. Rm. 3 – 4004

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

Ordinance

Ordinance creating The Lake County Superior Court, County Division 3, Veteran Treatment Court All Rise Mentor Court Network Fund, A Non-Reverting Fund.

13: Juvenile Court – 4005

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

A. Appropriation – Family Recovery Court Grant Fund – 9345

61290 Supplemental Pay	\$	6,000.00
61320 FICA - Deduction	\$	459.00
61330 PERF	\$	852.00
Total:	\$	<u>7,311.00</u>

B. Create New Line Item – Family Recovery Court Grant Fund – 9345

63920 Food & Lodging

C. Transfer – Family Recovery Court Grant Fund – 9345

From: 63995 Other Services & Charges	\$	7,117.81	
To: 62410 Other Supplies		\$	6,117.81
63920 Food & Lodging		\$	1,000.00
Total:	\$	<u>7,117.81</u>	

D. Create New Line Item – LC Superior Court Juvenile Mental Health Problem Solving Court Grant Fund – 9355

62410 Other Supplies

E. Transfer – LC Superior Court Juvenile Mental Health Problem Solving Court Grant Fund – 9355

From: 63995 Other Service & Charges	\$	5,500.00	
To: 62410 Other Supplies		\$	5,500.00
Total:	\$	<u>5,500.00</u>	

F. Transfer – Juvenile LC Community Corrections Grant Fund – 9391

From: 63195 Contractual Services	\$	5,572.00	
63232 Travel-Meals	\$	150.00	
63233 Travel-Lodging	\$	1,362.00	
63234 Travel-Trans/Other	\$	345.00	
63235 Travel-Mileage	\$	1,340.00	
To: 62410 Other Supplies		\$	8,769.00
Total:	\$	<u>8,769.00</u>	

G. Grant Application(s) & Grant Approval(s) – Grant Oversight Committee

1. Lake County HOPE Court – Indiana Office of Court Services Improvement Grant – FY26 Grant Renewal Application.
2. Lake County Family Recovery Court – Indiana Supreme Court-Family Recovery Court – FY26 Grant Renewal Application.

14: Combined Election & Registration – 5001 (LINDEMULDER, NIEMEYER & HAMM)

Resolution

Resolution permitting The Lake County Board of Elections and Registration to pay an outstanding 2022 invoice/debt from the 2025 budget.

15: Planning Commission – 5004 (LINDEMULDER, NIEMEYER & HAMM)

Planning Commission Ordinance

Ordinance No. 2584 – William Rojas, Owner/Petitioner, 3/19/2025, B-1 to B-3, Favorable Recommendation, (Vote 5-2).

16: Sheriff – 8001 (CID, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

Grant Application & Grant Approval – Grant Oversight Committee

FY26 CHIRP Grant – Comprehensive Highway Injury Reduction Program (CHIRP) – New Grant Application.

17: Parks & Recreation – 9203 (NIEMEYER, CID & BILSKI)

Grant Application(s) & Grant Approval(s) – Grant Oversight Committee

Oak Savannah Trail Corridor/Former GEO Parcel Recreation Development - Delta Institute/National Fish and Wildlife Foundation – New Grant Application.

18: Health Department – 9306 (BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

A. Transfer – LC Health Department PHEP Grant Fund – 8443

From:	62110 Office Supplies	\$	6,043.66	
	63232 Travel-Meals	\$	575.00	
	63233 Travel-Lodging	\$	1,500.00	
	63234 Travel-Trans/Other	\$	1,000.00	
	63235 Travel-Mileage	\$	4,700.00	
	64410 Furniture & Fixtures	\$	26,029.56	
To:	62250 Health Care & Lab Supplies	\$	10,743.66	
	64490 Other Equipment	\$	29,104.56	
		Total:	\$	<u>39,848.22</u>

B. Discussion/Update

Health Services Update.

19: County Council – 6001 (CID, BREWER & BROWN)

A. Citizen Appointment

Library Board – City of Whiting:

- I.C. 36-12-2-9 and I.C. 36-12-2-18
- (1) member appointed by the County Council

Current Nominee
Amy Holmes

Date Nominated
April 13, 2021

Term
4 Years

Next Nomination
April 2025

B. Resolution

Resolution in Opposition of Senate Bill 1's Provision to Eliminate Business Personal Property Tax. (CID)

Public Comments:

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