



Lake County Council

January 14, 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

December 10, 2024 Regular Meeting

3: Reorganization

- A. President
- B. Vice-President

4: Awards/Resolution(s)

- A. Resolution proclaiming January as Human Trafficking Prevention Month. (CID)
- B. Resolution recognizing Lake County Community Corrections Custody Officer Alan Andrews. (CID)
- C. Resolution honoring Nick Doffin. (CID)

5: Acknowledgment(s) / Announcement(s)

- A. RDA Update. (CID)

6: Clerk – 1001

(BREWER, CID & BROWN)

- A. Create New Line Item(s) – Clerk’s Records Perpetuation Fund – 1194

61290 Supplemental Pay
61100 Overtime

- B. Appropriation – Clerk’s Records Perpetuation Fund – 1194

61290 Supplemental Pay	\$	5,000.00
61100 Overtime	\$	50,000.00

Total: \$ 55,000.00

7: Superior Court Civil – 3001

(HAMM, BILSKI & LINDEMULDER)

Grant Application & Grant Approval – Grant Oversight Committee

Indiana Supreme Court – FY 2025 Adult Guardianship Services Grant (VASIA) Grant Renewal Award.

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

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61120 Professionals	\$	31,122.00	
To: 63190 Other Professional Service			\$ 31,122.00
Total:			<u>\$ 31,122.00</u>

9: Juvenile Court – 4005

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

A. Rev. 144 – 2025 Juvenile Mental Health Court Grant Fund – 9355

<u>Effective (01-01-2025)</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
39002-XXX Supplemental Pay	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
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Total(s):	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>

B. Create New Line Item(s) – 2025 Juvenile Mental Health Court Grant Fund – 9355

61290 Supplemental Pay
61320 FICA - Deduction
61330 PERF - Deduction
63190 Other Professional Service
63231 Travel - Registration
63232 Travel - Meals
63233 Travel - Lodging
63234 Travel – Trans/Other
63235 Travel - Mileage
63995 Other Services & Charges

C. Appropriation – 2025 Juvenile Mental Health Court Grant Fund – 9355

61290 Supplemental Pay	\$	10,000.00
61320 FICA - Deduction	\$	1,605.00
61330 PERF - Deduction	\$	1,605.00
63190 Other Professional Service	\$	54,288.00
63231 Travel - Registration	\$	700.00
63232 Travel - Meals	\$	200.00
63233 Travel - Lodging	\$	1,200.00
63234 Travel – Trans/Other	\$	2,500.00
63235 Travel - Mileage	\$	400.00
63995 Other Services & Charges	\$	13,000.00
Total:	<u>\$</u>	<u>85,498.00</u>

9: Juvenile Court – 4005 **Continued**

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

D. Reduction – Family Recovery Court Grant Fund – 9345

61190 Part-Time	(\$	21,216.00)
61320 FICA - Deduction	(\$	1,623.00)
62110 Office Supplies	(\$	1,500.00)
63231 Travel - Registration	(\$	1,700.00)
63232 Travel - Meals	(\$	600.00)
63233 Travel - Lodging	(\$	1,000.00)
63234 Travel – Trans/Other	(\$	425.00)
63235 Travel - Mileage	(\$	1,275.00)
63310 Printing	(\$	2,000.00)
63910 Dues & Subscriptions	(\$	840.00)
63920 Food & Lodging	(\$	1,500.00)
63995 Other Services & Charges	(\$	7,000.00)

Total: (\$ **40,679.00**)

E. Rev. 144 – General Fund – 1001

<u>Effective (01-01-2025)</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
16952-001 Personnel Assistant	\$ 46,179.00	\$ 49,500.00	\$ 3,321.00
11514-001 Chief Operating Officer	\$ 74,187.00	\$ 76,584.00	\$ 2,397.00
12209-001 System Network Manager	\$ 45,311.00	\$ 47,708.00	\$ 2,397.00
Total(s):	\$ <u>165,677.00</u>	\$ <u>173,792.00</u>	\$ <u>8,115.00</u>

10: Juvenile Detention Center – 8003

(CID, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

A. Rev. 144 – General Fund – 1001

<u>Effective (01-01-2025)</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
11410-001 Technology Officer	\$ 54,677.00	\$ 46,562.00	(\$ 8,115.00)
Total(s):	\$ <u>54,677.00</u>	\$ <u>46,562.00</u>	(\$ <u>8,115.00</u>)

B. Rev. 144 – LC R.D.F. For Juveniles Fund – 4392

<u>Effective (01-01-2025)</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
39002-XXX Supplemental Pay	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Total(s):	\$ <u>0.00</u>	\$ <u>6,000.00</u>	(\$ <u>6,000.00</u>)

C. Create New Line Item(s) – LC R.D.F. For Juveniles Fund – 4392

61290 Supplemental Pay
 61320 FICA - Deduction
 61330 PERF - Deduction

D. Appropriation – LC R.D.F. For Juveniles Fund – 4392

61290 Supplemental Pay	\$	6,000.00
61320 FICA - Deduction	\$	459.00
61330 PERF - Deduction	\$	852.00

Total: \$ **7,311.00**

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

Lake County Juvenile Community Corrections Program FY2026 Grant Application Renewal.

11: Juvenile Court/C.A.S.A. – 4006

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

A. Appropriation – C.A.S.A. Fund – 1706

61210 Longevity - Deduction	\$	620.00
Total:	\$	<u>620.00</u>

B. Reduction – C.A.S.A. Fund – 1706

61320 FICA - Deduction	(\$	201.00)
61330 PERF - Deduction	(\$	393.00)
61340 Group Insurance - Deduction	(\$	116,000.00)
61360 Workman's Comp - Deduction	(\$	9,099.00)
Total:	(\$	<u>124,907.00</u>

C. Appropriation – LC CASA Capacity Building Grant Fund – 9377

61320 FICA - Deduction	\$	2,532.00
61330 PERF - Deduction	\$	1,756.00
63235 Travel - Mileage	\$	3,000.00
63995 Other Services & Charges	\$	2,000.00
Total:	\$	<u>9,288.00</u>

D. Reduction – LC CASA Capacity Building Grant Fund – 9377

61290 Supplemental Pay	(\$	8,000.00)
61340 Group Insurance - Deduction	(\$	144,999.00)
61360 Workman's Comp - Deduction	(\$	4,549.00)
Total:	(\$	<u>157,548.00</u>

12: IV-D Court – 4007

(HAMM, LINDEMULDER & CID)

A. Rev. 144 – Child Support IV-D/FSSA Fund – 8297

<u>Effective (01-01-2025)</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
14401-XXX Bailiff	\$ 0.00	\$ 46,171.00	\$ 46,171.00
Total(s):	\$ <u>0.00</u>	\$ <u>46,171.00</u>	\$ <u>46,171.00</u>

B. Create New Line Item – Child Support IV-D/FSSA Fund – 8297

61140 Protective Services

C. Appropriation – Child Support IV-D/FSSA Fund – 8297

61140 Protective Services	\$	46,171.00
61320 FICA - Deduction	\$	3,533.00
61330 PERF - Deduction	\$	6,557.00
61340 Group Insurance - Deduction	\$	29,000.00
61360 Workman's Comp - Deduction	\$	910.00
Total:	\$	<u>86,171.00</u>

13: Fairgrounds – 9201 Deferred December

(NIEMEYER, CID & BILSKI)

Appropriation – Non-Reverting LC Fairgrounds Fund – 1131

61190 Part-Time	\$	8,480.00
Total:	\$	<u>8,480.00</u>

14: Emergency Management – 9304

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

Appropriation – Homeland Security Grant Fund – 8249

64490 Other Equipment	\$	50,000.00
Total:	\$	<u>50,000.00</u>

15: Emergency Planning – 9310

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

A. Create New Line Item – Emergency Local Planning Fund – 1185

63995 Other Services & Charges

B. Appropriation – Emergency Local Planning Fund – 1185

63995 Other Services & Charges	\$	18,000.00
Total:	\$	<u>18,000.00</u>

16: Health Department – 9306

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

Rev. 144 – County Health Fund – 1105

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
11711-001 Administrator	\$ 94,387.00	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 15,613.00
Total(s):	<u>\$ 94,387.00</u>	<u>\$ 110,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 15,613.00</u>

17: Economic Development – 9307

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

A. Create New Line Item(s) – LCCEDD ARP Home Fund – 8272

63145 Legal Services
63150 Consultant Fees
64220 Building & Improvements

B. Appropriation – LCCEDD ARP Home Fund – 8272

63145 Legal Services	\$	7,500.00
63150 Consultant Fees	\$	25,000.00
64220 Building & Improvements	\$	2,165,379.00
Total:	\$	<u>2,197,879.00</u>

18: Hammond & Gary Courthouses–9302 Deferred December (BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

Appropriation – General Fund – 1001

63510 Utilities	\$ 100,000.00
Total:	<u>\$ 100,000.00</u>

19: Lake County Commissioners – 6002 (CID, HAMM & BROWN)

A. Appropriation – Lake County 911 Fund – 1399 Deferred December

63995 Other Services & Charges	\$ 14,000.00
Total:	<u>\$ 14,000.00</u>

B. Resolution

Resolution approving purchase of Merrillville Fire Protection Territory’s 2000, F750 Super Duty Truck by the Lake County Board of Commissioners and rescinding and replacing Resolution No. 21-73, Resolution of Lake County Council, approving purchase of Merrillville Fire Department Territories 2000, F750 Super Duty Truck, by the Lake County Commissioners.

20: County Council – 6001 (CID, HAMM & BROWN)

A. Notice to Taxpayers of Public Hearing on Proposed Additional Appropriations for the Lake Ridge Fire Protection District for the 2025 Budget. (CID) Deferred December

B. Ordinance(s)

1. An Ordinance of the Lake County Council, Lake County, Indiana, Authorizing additional appropriations in the Cumulative Fire Fund of the Lake Ridge Fire Protection District for the 2025 budget. (CID) Deferred December
2. Lake County Mileage Rate Ordinance for 2025. (CID) Deferred December
3. Ordinance amending the Ordinance Establishing a Merit System Board for The Lake County Correction Division, Ordinance No. 1322C. Deferred December

C. Resolution

Resolution permitting the Lake County Council to pay an outstanding 2024 invoice/debt from the 2025 budget. (CID)

D. Citizen Appointment(s)

1. Parks & Receptions Board
 - One (1) Republican Member for a four-year term
2. County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team
 - One (1) Domestic Violence Direct Service Provider for a two-year term
 - One (1) Law Enforcement Member for a two-year term
 - One (1) Special Victim Unit Supervisor for a two-year term
 - One (1) Intervention Program Provider for a two-year term

E. Councilmanic Post(s)

1. County Plan Commission
 - One (1) Council Member and Proxy for a one-year term
(Current Member: Randy Niemeyer, Current Proxy: Charlie Brown)
2. Data Processing Board
 - Two (2) Council Members and One (1) Council Administrator for a one-year term
3. Insurance Review Board
 - One (1) Council Member and One (1) Council Administrator for a one-year term
4. Lake County Child Abuse Prevention Council
 - One (1) Council Member for a one-year term
5. Northwestern Indiana Regional Plan Commission
 - One (1) Council Member for a one-year term
6. Northwest Indiana Private Industry Council/Local Elected Officials Committee
 - One (1) Council Member for a two-year term
7. Solid Waste District Board
 - Two (2) Council Members for a one-year term

F. Citizen Nomination(s)

Economic Development Commission

- The Council shall nominate for appointment one (1) nominee each from the city or town of **Hammond, Lake Station, Merrillville** and **St. John** for a term of one-year for first time nominees or four-years for re-appointed nominees.

G. Approval of Data Board Nominees

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| 1. Clerk | Michael A. Brown (Proxy: Shawn Miller) |
| 2. County Treasurer | John E. Petalas (Proxy: Ofelia Gregoline & Priscilla Kirrin) |
| 3. Surveyor | Bill Emerson Jr. (Proxy: Matthew Cashen) |
| 4. County Assessor | LaTonya Spearman (Proxy: Jerri Floyd) |
| 5. Sheriff | Sheriff Oscar Martinez Jr. (Proxy: Deputy Commander Brad Bosse) |
| 6. Prosecutor | Bernard A. Carter (Proxy: Hogir Saeed) |

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