

MIAMI COUNTY COUNCIL  
25 NORTH BROADWAY  
PERU, INDIANA 46970  
2020 Budget Hearing Day 1-1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
August 25, 2020

Councilman Duckwall– Present  
Councilwoman Chittum – Present  
Councilman Donaldson – Present  
Councilman Wood – Present  
Councilman Wiles – Present  
Councilman Sailors – Present  
Councilman Nutt – Present

Councilman Duckwall called the meeting to order.

Councilman Wiles led the group in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CASA**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 CASA budget as follows:

Personal Services \$70,301  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$70,301

Councilman Wiles 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**ASSESSOR**

Councilman Sailors made a motion to approve the 2021 Assessor budget as follows:

Personal Services \$46,870  
Supplies \$2,500  
Other Services & Charges \$3,700  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$53,070

Councilwoman Chittum 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**SALES DISCLOSURE**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Sales Disclosure budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$2,000  
Other Services & Charges \$1,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$3,000

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**REASSESSMENT**

Amy Tester, Chief Deputy Assessor explained her salary in Reassessment needed reduced by \$500.00 because she was not able to get her final certification due to COVID-19.

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Reassessment budget as follows:

Personal Services \$138,249  
Supplies \$700  
Other Services & Charges \$46,692  
Capital Outlays \$149,660  
Total 2021 Budget \$334,801

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **CORONER**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Coroner budget as follows:

Personal Services \$123,401  
Supplies \$2,250  
Other Services & Charges \$4,167  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2020 Budget \$129,818

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Weights and Measures budget as follows:

Personal Services \$12,898  
Supplies \$200  
Other Services & Charges \$1,188  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2020 Budget \$14,286

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **SOIL AND WATER**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Soil and Water budget as follows, which includes an increase in the county general budgets and an additional \$2,000 from the Soil and Water Grant:

Personal Services \$41,620  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2020 Budget \$41,620

Councilman Wiles 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **SOIL AND WATER GRANT**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Soil and Water Grant budget as follows:

Personal Services \$18,525  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$18,525

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

Ms. Watson, Soil and Water thanked the board for their leadership during the COVID-19 shutdown. She appreciated the continuation of benefits offered to the employees.

#### **LIT-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Councilman Wood made a motion to approve the 2021 CEDIT budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$757,915  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$757,915

Jim Tidd, MCEDA came before the board to review the CEDIT budget. Mr. Tidd explained that due to the increase in assessed value with Arizona Isotopes, MCEDA would be willing to offer a 5-year moratorium on the MCEDA contribution from CEDIT.

President Duckwall explained the county tried to reach an agreement with the library with the cards for the residents. Unfortunately, those attempts were not fruitful and he feels the appropriation should be removed from the budget. Councilman Wood noted that he did not feel the appropriation should remain in the budget either. Councilwoman Chittum expressed her concern over removing the library appropriation from the budget. President Duckwall asked the Board of Commissioners reduction in the Museum contribution. Commissioner Larry West explained the appropriation was to start reducing over time and why the reduction was reflected in the budget. Councilwoman Chittum feels that the county should contribute to the library and museum and does not agree with removing the appropriation/reduction from the budget.

Councilman Donaldson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0

#### **LIT-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CERTIFIED SHARES**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 CEDIT Certified Shares budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$321,302  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$321,302

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **CUM BRIDGE**

Councilman Wiles made a motion to approve the 2021 Cum Bridge budget as follows:

Personal Services \$58,742  
Supplies \$53,500  
Other Services & Charges \$347,850  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$460,092

Councilwoman Chittum 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **LOCAL ROAD AND STREET**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Local Road and Street budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$270,700  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$270,700

Councilman Wiles 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**HIGHWAY RESRICTED**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Highway Restricted budget as follows:

Personal Services \$339,502  
Supplies \$830,000  
Other Services & Charges \$473,500  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$1,643,002

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**HIGHWAY PHASE I**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Highway Phase I budget as follows:

Personal Services \$245,938  
Supplies \$600  
Other Services & Charges \$7,450  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$253,988

Janice Hughes, Highway Bookkeeper explained that her salary was adjusted to account for the ERC certification required to obtain federal funding.

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**HIGHWAY PHASE II**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Highway Phase II budget as follows:

Personal Services \$909,282  
Supplies \$32,500  
Other Services & Charges \$65,410  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$1,007,192

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**HIGHWAY PHASE III**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Highway Phase III budget as follows:

Personal Services \$175,048  
Supplies \$404,500  
Other Services & Charges \$210,000  
Capital Outlays \$15,000  
Total 2021 Budget \$804,548

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**WHEEL TAX**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Wheel Tax budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$850,000  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$850,000

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**SHERIFF**

Sheriff Hunter explained he submitted a pay adjustment for Morgan Townsend due to the increased responsibilities, which include FBI reporting, which takes a substantial amount of time. Ms. Townsend also took on evidence to free up a Road Deputy from being off the road. President Duckwall stated the Council would consider any pay adjustments at 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Sheriff budget as follows:

Personal Services \$1,233,752  
Supplies \$151,050  
Other Services & Charges \$66,240  
Capital Outlays \$80,400  
Total 2021 Budget \$1,531,442

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**JAIL**

Sheriff Hunter presented proposed pay adjustments for Kassy Duncan and Kiley Siders. Sheriff Hunter explained the workload has increased for both employees and he would like to see an increase to be more in line with the Jail Commander and other office personnel. President Duckwall stated the Council would consider any pay adjustments at 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Jail budget as follows:

Personal Services \$1,152,256  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$1,152,256

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**JAIL SPECIAL PURPOSE**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Jail Special Purpose budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$2,000  
Other Services & Charges \$248,600  
Capital Outlays \$101,543  
Total 2021 Budget \$352,143

Councilman Wiles 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Public Safety budget as follows:

Personal Services \$213, 084  
Supplies \$104,400  
Other Services & Charges \$454,180  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$771,664

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**COUNTY CORRECTIONS-TRANSPORT OFFICER**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 County Corrections-Transport Officer budget as follows:

Personal Services \$23,813  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$23,813

Councilman Wiles 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**STATEWIDE E 9-1-1**

Sheriff Hunter presented a budget with 2 additional 9-1-1 dispatchers. Sheriff Hunter explained the dispatchers work 12-hour shifts, many have a substantial amount of time accrued and it is hard to cover the time off and breaks.

Councilman Wood made a motion to approve the 2021 E 9-1-1 budget as follows:

Personal Services \$480,575  
Supplies \$3,000  
Other Services & Charges \$140,998  
Capital Outlays \$5,100  
Total 2021 Budget \$629,673

Councilwoman Chittum 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**E 9-1-1 LOCAL SOURCE FUNDING**

Sheriff Hunter presented a budget with an increase for Molly Grant and the trainers. Ms. Grant and the trainers put in a lot of time and not a job everyone can do. President Duckwall stated the Council would consider any pay adjustments at 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 E 9-1-1 Local Source Funding budget as follows:

Personal Services \$ 57,332  
Supplies \$7,000  
Other Services & Charges \$28,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$92,332

Councilman Donaldson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 6-0.

**PUBLIC DEFENDER**

Eric Huneryager, Public Defender requested a pay adjustment for his Chief Deputy, Jennifer Cardwell due to the workload she has taken on with the Public Defender reimbursement program with the state. President Duckwall state the Council would consider any pay adjustments at 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Public Defender budget as follows:

Personal Services \$667,323  
Supplies \$1,500  
Other Services & Charges \$74,473  
Capital Outlays \$2,500  
Total 2021 Budget \$745,796

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **PUBLIC DEFENDER SUPPLEMENTAL**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Supplemental Public Defender budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$30,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$30,000

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **RECESS FOR LUNCH**

#### **CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Clerk of Circuit Court budget as follows:

Personal Services \$205,924  
Supplies \$4,000  
Other Services & Charges \$8,900  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$218,824

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Clerk of Superior Court budget as follows:

Personal Services \$131,921  
Supplies \$2,500  
Other Services & Charges \$500  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$134,921

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **CLERK OF ELECTION**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Clerk of Election budget as follows:

Personal Services \$12,600  
Supplies \$5,000  
Other Services & Charges \$60,331  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$77,931

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**CLERK OF VOTER REGISTRATION**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Clerk of Voter Registration budget as follows:

Personal Services \$31,608  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$31,608

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**CLERK PERPETUATION**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Clerk Perpetuation budget as follows:

Personal Services \$20,000  
Supplies \$4,200  
Other Services & Charges \$2,600  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$28,330

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**TREASURER**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Treasurer budget as follows:

Personal Services \$78,220  
Supplies \$7,150  
Other Services & Charges \$24,750  
Capital Outlays \$1,000  
Total 2021 Budget \$111,120

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0

**RECORDER**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Recorder budget as follows:

Personal Services \$77,001  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$77,001

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**ENHANCED ACCESS**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Enhanced Access budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$14,500  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$14,500

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**SECURITY PROTECTION**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Security Protection Fund

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$7,500  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$7,500

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**RECORDER PERPETUATION**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Recorder Perpetuation Fund

Personal Services \$21,530  
Supplies \$2,000  
Other Services & Charges \$60,350  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$83,880

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS TRAINING FUND**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2020 Elected Officials Training Fund

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$8,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$8,000

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**VETERANS**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Veterans budget as follows:

Personal Services \$32,640  
Supplies \$1,800  
Other Services & Charges \$3,149  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$37,589

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0

**AUDITOR**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Auditor's budget as follows:

Personal Services \$171,122

Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$2,600  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$173,722

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**PLAT BOOK**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Plat Book budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$15,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$15,000

Councilman Wiles 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**AUDITOR INELIGIBLE HOMESTEADS**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Auditor Ineligible Homesteads budget as follows:

Personal Services \$3,000  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$3,000

Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

**PLANNING/BUILDING COMMISSION**

Commissioner West recommended increasing Mary Kay McKinney's pay to \$35,000. Councilman Wood, Councilman Nutt and President Duckwall all stated that they have had numerous complaints about Ms. McKinney and would not vote for the pay adjustment. Commissioner West stated he has not had any complaints about Ms. McKinney other than Courthouse employees. Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Planning/Building Commission budget as follows:

Personal Services \$100,932  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$33,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$133,932

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

Budget hearings will stand in recess until 8/26/2020.

Respectfully submitted

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**Mary Brown**  
Miami County Auditor