

MIAMI COUNTY COUNCIL  
25 NORTH BROADWAY  
PERU, INDIANA 46970  
2021 Budget Hearing Day 2-1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
August 26, 2020

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

President Duckwall reconvened the 2021 Budget Hearings.

**CIRCUIT COURT**

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

Personal Services \$106,261  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$11,200  
Capital Outlays \$11,500  
Total 2021 Budget \$128,961

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

**SUPERIOR COURT II**

Councilman Sailors made a motion to approve the 2021 Superior Court II budget as follows:

Personal Services \$98,735  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$12,200  
Capital Outlays \$9,000  
Total 2021 Budget \$119,575

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

**JURY FEES**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2022 Jury Fees budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$500  
Other Services & Charges \$20,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$20,500

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

**SUPERIOR COURT**

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

Personal Services \$106,961  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$11,900  
Capital Outlays \$10,000  
Total 2021 Budget \$128,861

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

### **COUNCIL**

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

Personal Services \$47,553  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$1,650  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$49,203

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

### **SURVEYOR**

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

Personal Services \$58,196  
Supplies \$2,300  
Other Services & Charges \$2,550  
Capital Outlays \$100  
Total 2021 Budget \$63,146

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

### **SURVEYOR PERPETUATION**

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

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$1,500  
Capital Outlays \$15,500  
Total 2021 Budget \$17,000

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

### **PROBATION**

Susan Rice, Chief Probation Officer introduced Mandy Mavrick who will be taking over dur to CPO Rice's retirement on September 4, 2020. Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Probation budget as follows:

Personal Services \$357,884  
Supplies \$1,500  
Other Services & Charges \$4,125  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$363,509

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

**USER FEE DRUG & ALCOHOL**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 User Fee Drug & Alcohol budget as follows:

Personal Services \$30,913  
Supplies \$1,894  
Other Services & Charges \$4,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$36,807

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

**ADULT PROBATION ADMIN**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Adult Probation Admin budget as follows:

Personal Services \$25,967  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$25,967

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

**ADULT PROBATION**

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

Personal Services \$55,361  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$40,616  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$95,977

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

**IN DOC PROBATION GRANT**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 IN Doc Probation Grant budget as follows:

Personal Services \$111,506  
Supplies \$750  
Other Services & Charges \$5,745  
Capital Outlays \$2,000  
Total 2021 Budget \$120,001

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

## **DRUG COURT GRANT**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Drug Court Grant budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$115,114  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2020 Budget \$115,114

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

## **HEALTH**

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

Personal Services \$240,774  
Supplies \$35,800  
Other Services & Charges \$37,480  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$314,854

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

## **LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Local Health Maintenance budget as follows:

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

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

## **EXTENSION OFFICE**

Kim Frazier, 4H Extension, presented her 2021 budget to the Council, which she stated was a flat-lined budget. Ms. Frazier recommended that the county staff be made Purdue employees due to past conflicts with county employees, which would put everyone on the same team. Purdue would pay the fringe benefits and do the hiring of the employees. Commissioner Hunt stated it was the first the board has heard about wanting to make county staff Purdue employees. Ms. Frazier states that have been several conflicts in the past with county employees, yet nothing has been brought to the Board of Commissioners. President Duckwall explained to Ms. Frazier the Council reviewed the 2021 proposed budget and feels offering a lump sum to Purdue for Extension Services would be sufficient. Ms. Frazier requested an opportunity to discuss the budgets with her boss and the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Hunt stated the county has been requesting an in-person meeting for months with Purdue and no one responds. Commissioner Musselman noted that the county has attempted several times to have communication with Purdue without any response. Ms. Frazier asked the dates of these communications. Auditor Mary Brown provided dates ranging from 2018- 2020, with the most recent attempt to communicate through the county attorney. Commissioner Hunt noted Ms. Frazier and her boss; Julie Gray sent a letter at the beginning of August stating they would not assign duties to the county employees. Included in the letter was another letter from Purdue's General Counsel, which stated the county did not want to acknowledge or address the poor

behaviors and work performance of their employees. Commissioner Hunt again stated that Purdue, Ms. Frazier or Ms. Gray have come to the Board of Commissioners with formal complaints regarding the county employees. The county has received many complaints from our employees regarding Ms. Frazier and Ms. Gray's lack of supervisory skills and general bullying. Commissioner Hunt went on to state to Ms. Frazier that no one, including the Fair Board members have had the guts to say it, but the employees are not the problem, Ms. Frazier is the problem. Commissioner Hunt and the Fair Board also do not agree with cameras being placed in the building with audio recording without anyone's knowledge. Until Purdue wants to meet with the county, the lump sum contribution will be what the Extension Office receives.

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Extension Office lump sum contribution of \$63,336.00. Councilman Nutt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

#### **PROSECUTOR**

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

Personal Services \$103,230  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$103,230

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

#### **IV-D CHILD SUPPORT**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 IV-D Child Support budget as follows:

Personal Services \$167,144  
Supplies \$2,500  
Other Services & Charges \$5,500  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$175,144

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

#### **USER FEE FUNDS (DEFERRAL)**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 User Fee Fund budget as follows:

Personal Services \$73,806  
Supplies \$1,150  
Other Services & Charges \$27,500  
Capital Outlays \$4,350  
Total 2021 Budget \$106,806

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

#### **VICITIM'S ADVOCATE**

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

Personal Services \$38,737  
Supplies \$750

Other Services & Charges \$2,686  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$42,173

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

### **EMA**

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

Personal Services \$66,731  
Supplies \$925  
Other Services & Charges \$39,850  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$107,506

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

### **LEPC**

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

Personal Services \$2,718  
Supplies \$500  
Other Services & Charges \$11,670  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$14,888

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

### **DRUG FREE COMMUNITY**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Drug Free Community budget as follows:

Personal Services \$8,400  
Supplies \$2,600  
Other Services & Charges \$33,000  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$44,000

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

### **COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROJECT INCOME**

Councilman Nutt made a motion to approve the 2021 Community Corrections Project Income budget as follows:

Personal Services \$165,856  
Supplies \$14,250  
Other Services & Charges \$99,100  
Capital Outlays \$5,000  
Total 2021 Budget \$284,206

Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 6-0. (Councilwoman Chittum was not in the room)

## **DRUG COURT USER FEES**

Councilman Wood made a motion to approve the 2021 Drug Court User Fees budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$3,000  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$03,000,114

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

## **SAHMSA DRUG COURT GRANT**

Councilman Donaldson made a motion to approve the 2021 SAHMSA Drug Court budget as follows:

Personal Services \$139,414  
Supplies \$4,000  
Other Services & Charges \$255,086  
Capital Outlays \$1,500  
Total 2021 Budget \$400,000

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

## **COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT**

Councilman Wood made a motion to approve the 2021 Community Corrections Grant budget as follows:

Personal Services \$222,853  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$222,853

Councilman Donaldson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0. (Councilwoman Chittum returned to the meeting)

## **PROBLEM SOLVING COURT GRANT**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 Problem Solving Drug Court budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$5,601  
Capital Outlays \$1,315  
Total 2021 Budget \$6,916

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

## **2021 DOC GRANT-CRRP**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 2021 DOC Grant-CRRP budget as follows:

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$400  
Other Services & Charges \$71,800  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$72,200

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

### **SOLID WASTE**

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

Personal Services \$128,416  
Supplies \$15,300  
Other Services & Charges \$335,450  
Capital Outlays \$15,050  
Total 2021 Budget \$494,216

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

### **DRAINAGE BOARD**

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

Personal Services \$6,100  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$0  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$6,100

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

### **COURTHOUSE**

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

Personal Services \$84,526  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$187,900  
Capital Outlays \$0  
Total 2021 Budget \$272,426

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

### **CUM COURTHOUSE**

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

Personal Services \$0  
Supplies \$0  
Other Services & Charges \$350,000  
Capital Outlays \$118,700  
Total 2021 Budget \$468,700

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

## **COMMISSIONERS**

The Council discussed the following budget appropriations for the proposed 2021 Commissioner Budget. The Council had the following discussions:

-Commissioner Hunt explained the county has terminated the contract with Intrasect effective 1/1/21. The county has offered the position to Jim Deniston as the IT Director and would allow him to hire 2 additional techs. The Board of Commissioners recommend a salary of \$100,000.00 for Mr. Deniston, \$60,000.00 for Tech 1 and \$40,000.00 for Tech 2. This would eliminate the \$250,000.00 currently under the IT Services account and transfer those funds to cover salaries and benefits.

-Commissioner Hunt explained the Board of Commissioner recommends moving the salaries from the Extension budget for the 2 county employees to their budget until a resolution is found with Purdue.

-Councilman Nutt does not feel any kind of raise should be considered for the employees for 2 reasons. Some employees appeared to be very unappreciative of what the county did during the COVID shutdown. Councilman Nutt felt that many employees failed to realize the benefits the county provided and unfortunately, all employees would suffer for the poor attitudes of some. Councilman Nutt also did not feel the Council should provide raises because of the uncertainty of the reduction of income for 2021. Auditor Brown already notified the Council there would be a 10% reduction in the funding from the state for 2021 and he feels the Council should be smart with spending in the uncertain times. Auditor Brown noted the county is financially sound and while there is, uncertainty surrounding the next year felt the county had sufficient funds to cover a 2% raise for all employees without jeopardizing the finances. Councilman Nutt reiterated that he stuck by his reasoning and wanted it clear that he was the one making the recommendation not give raises, not anyone else.

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the above listed changes to the 2021 budgets. Councilman Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 7-0.

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

Personal Services \$2,930,703  
Supplies \$40,000  
Other Services & Charges \$860,377  
Capital Outlays \$330,799  
Total 2021 Budget \$4,161,879

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

## **BOARDS, MILEAGE, PART-TIME, ETC.**

Councilwoman Chittum made a motion to approve the 2021 mileage, longevity and boards as follows:

Mileage-\$.45 per mile  
Longevity-\$Minimum \$200.00 Maximum \$850.00 \*According to the Personnel Policy.  
Boards:  
Sheriff Merit \$37.00  
Health \$50.00  
Zoning \$30.00  
PTABOA Review \$100.00  
L.E.P.C. \$20.00  
Drainage \$50.00  
Public Defender \$50.00  
Deputy Coroner Autopsy Stipend \$100.00 per trip

Sheriff Extra Road Deputy \$80.00 per day  
Jail Part-Time Cook \$80.00 per day  
Jail Part-Time Communicator \$80.00 per day  
Soil Conservation Tech \$15.00  
Soil Conservation Tech II \$13.00  
Election Training Stipend \$20.00 per day

Councilman Sailors 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

Budget hearings will stand in recess until 8/27/2020.

Respectfully submitted

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**Mary Brown**  
Miami County Auditor