**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**September 13, 2023**

 The Perry County Council met on the above date at 5:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were President David Etienne (DE), Keith Huck (KH), Earla Williams (EW), Paul Malone (PM), Stan Goffinet (SG), Kelli Harding (Kelli) and Gale Garner (GG). Sheriff Alan Malone, and Auditor Kristinia Hammack were also present. There was no *Attorney* or *News Representative* present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

DE welcomed everyone to the Budget 2024 meeting. This meeting is a chance for all departments and agencies to present their budgets and allow the council to ask any questions they may have.

**ADOPTION OF THE 2024 COUNTY PAY SCHEDULE**

Auditor Hammack presented the 2024 pay schedule. Based on the current schedule the county is on right now, there would be 27 pays in 2024 and 25 pays in 2025. This revision is being made for budget purposes. A three week pay will be in January 2025. This revises it to 26 pays in 2025.

PM made motion to adopt the 2024 County Pay Schedule, seconded by KH. Motion carried 7-0.

**ADOPTION OF THE 2024 COUNTY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

1. The Holiday schedule remains the same with 15 holidays in 2024.

EW made a motion to adopt the 2024 Holiday Schedule, seconded by SG. Motion carried 7-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2024 PROPOSED BUDGETS**

 The following were present to present their budgets:

1. **PRIVATE SECTOR**
* Jared Stimpson, CEO--Perry County Memorial Hospital
* Missy Noble and Brandon Gaynor—Perry County Council of Aging
* Kristine Wheeler—Perry County Recycling
* Sharon Schaefer—Perry County 4-H Leadership
* Brenda Powers—William Tell Center
* Nathan Held—IN Region 15
* Cheryl Mullis—SIRS
* Chris Temple—Perry County 4-H Fairgrounds
* Molly Hagman—Rivers Edge Animal Hospital
1. **DEPARTMENT HEADS**
* Jane James, Recorder
* Tara Lucas, Health Department
* Rachel Roark, Clerk
* Mendy Lassaline, Assessor
* Amanda Lasher, Treasurer
* Darlene Fischer, Soil & Water Conservation District
* Warren Taylor, Coroner
* Sara Dziminski, Purdue Extension
* Greg Hendershot, Parks & Recreation
* Eric Dickenson, Sheriff Office
* Kevin Herp, Veterans Services
* Samantha Hurst, Prosecutor

**FIRST READING OF 2024 BUDGET REQUESTS**

1. DE read the First Reading of the 2024 Proposed Budget.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

1. All day Budget Meetings are scheduled for September 19th-21st at the Annex Building at 8:00 a.m.
2. The regular September monthly meeting will be Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m. CST.

KH made a motion to adjourn, seconded by PM. Motion carried 7-0.

Minutes approved this 19th day of October, 2023.

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 President, Perry County Council

*Minutes prepared by:*

*Kristinia L. Hammack, Perry County Auditor*