



Lake County Council

December 10, 2024

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

November 12, 2024 Regular Meeting

3: Awards/Resolution(s)

- A. Resolution Recognizing the 100th Anniversary of Galilee Missionary Baptist Church. (BREWER)
- B. Resolution Honoring Lake Central High School Varsity Cheerleaders, 2024 Indiana Cheer Champions, Large Time-Out Division. (LINDEMULDER)

4: Acknowledgment(s)

5: Announcement(s)

Notice of 2025 Monthly Regular Meeting and Study Session Dates. (CID)

6: Auditor – 1002

(HAMM, BROWN & CID)

Rev. 144 – Auditor’s Ineligible Deduction Fund – 1329

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
39002-XXX Supplemental Pay NGenFnd 1329 \$	0.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
Total(s):	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 18,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 18,000.00</u>

7: Coroner's Office – 1007

(NIEMEYER, CID & BROWN)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61150 Paraprofessionals	\$ 75,000.00	
To: 64490 Other Equipment		\$ 75,000.00
Total:	\$ 75,000.00	

8: St. John Township Assessor – 2006

(BILSKI, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 63220 Postage	\$ 1,000.00	
To: 62390 Other Repair & Maintenance		\$ 1,000.00
Total:	\$ 1,000.00	

9: Criminal Courts – 3002

(HAMM, BILSKI & LINDEMULDER)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61130 Technicians	\$ 1,700.00	
61140 Protective Services	\$ 1,600.00	
62110 Office Supplies	\$ 4,500.00	
62230 Clothing	\$ 300.00	
63231 Travel-Registration	\$ 1,000.00	
63232 Travel-Meals	\$ 1,000.00	
63233 Travel-Lodging	\$ 3,500.00	
63234 Travel-Trans/Other	\$ 1,000.00	
63235 Travel-Mileage	\$ 2,000.00	
To: 63190 Other Professional Service		\$ 10,500.00
63290 Other Comm. & Trans.		\$ 4,500.00
63920 Food & Lodging		\$ 1,600.00
Total:	\$ 16,600.00	

10: Cooperative Extension Service – 5002

(LINDEMULDER, NIEMEYER & HAMM)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 63710 Equipment Rentals	\$ 100.00	
To: 61210 Longevity-Deduction		\$ 100.00
Total:	\$ 100.00	

11: Planning Commission – 5004

(LINDEMULDER, NIEMEYER & HAMM)

Planning Commission Ordinance

Ordinance No. 2582 – Eagle Rock Land Company LLC, Owner, Longspur Energy Storage LLC, Petitioner, 11/20/24, A-1 to CDD, Favorable Recommendation, (Vote 9-0)

12: Sheriff – 8001

(CID, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

A. Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61140 Protective Services	\$	40,000.00	
62220 Garage & Motors	\$	20,000.00	
63240 Telephone	\$	40,000.00	
63630 Maintenance & Service	\$	32,000.00	
To: 61100 Overtime	\$	40,000.00	
62210 Petroleum Products	\$	40,000.00	
63910 Dues & Subscriptions	\$	52,000.00	
Total:	\$	<u>132,000.00</u>	

B. Grant Application & Grant Approval – Grant Oversight Committee

US Department of Homeland Security – Boating Safety Financial Assistance (ALN: 97.012) = Indiana Department of Natural Resources – FY 2025 Marine Patrol Assistance Grant Renewal Application.

13: Jail – 8002

(CID, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61101 Overtime-Regular	\$	45,000.00	
62110 Office Supplies	\$	50,000.00	
62260 Jail Inmate Clothing Allowance	\$	40,000.00	
62410 Other Supplies	\$	20,000.00	
63122 Medical Deductible	\$	35,000.00	
63145 Legal Services	\$	20,000.00	
63188 Employment Testing	\$	30,000.00	
63190 Other Professional Service	\$	10,000.00	
64490 Other Equipment	\$	15,000.00	
To: 61100 Overtime	\$	30,000.00	
61190 Part-Time	\$	15,000.00	
62250 Health Care & Lab Supplies	\$	200,000.00	
63920 Food & Lodging	\$	20,000.00	
Total:	\$	<u>265,000.00</u>	

14: Animal Control – 8004

(CID, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61100 Overtime	\$	5,000.00	
61110 Officials & Administrators	\$	17,000.00	
61150 Paraprofessionals	\$	1,000.00	
To: 61190 Part-Time	\$	6,894.00	
61280 Seasonal Employees	\$	16,106.00	
Total:	\$	<u>23,000.00</u>	

15: Juvenile Detention Center – 8003

(CID, BROWN & NIEMEYER)

Ordinance

Ordinance creating The Lake County Superior Court, Juvenile Division, Juvenile Mental Health Court, Problem-Solving Court-Grant Fund, A Non-Reverting Fund.

16: Prosecutor IV-D – 9003

(CID, LINDEMULDER & HAMM)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61150 Paraprofessionals	\$	12,300.00	
To: 61210 Longevity-Deduction			\$ 300.00
63220 Postage			\$ 12,000.00
Total:			<u>\$ 12,300.00</u>

17: Fairgrounds – 9201

(NIEMEYER, CID & BILSKI)

A. Appropriation – Non-Reverting LC Fairgrounds Fund – 1131

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

B. Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 62240 Household & Institutional Supplies	\$	2,200.00	
62210 Petroleum Products			\$ 700.00
63620 Equipment Repair			\$ 3,000.00
To: 61280 Seasonal Employees			\$ 5,900.00
Total:			<u>\$ 5,900.00</u>

C. Transfer – Non-Reverting LC Fairgrounds Fund – 1131

From: 63620 Equipment Repair	\$	1,000.00	
64310 Improvements			\$ 1,236.38
To: 61280 Seasonal Employees			\$ 2,078.00
61320 FICA			\$ 158.38
Total:			<u>\$ 2,236.38</u>

18: Parks & Recreation – 9203

(NIEMEYER, CID & BILSKI)

A. Resolution

Resolution to approve temporary loan not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 from The Lake County Parks and Recreation Board's Bond Fund, No. 4354; Bond Fund, No. 4353; and Non-Reverting Land Fund, No. 1116, to The Lake County Parks and Recreation Board's Operating Fund, Fund No. 1107 and Non-Reverting Operating Fund, No. 1117.

18: Parks & Recreation – 9203 **Continued**

(NIEMEYER, CID & BILSKI)

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

1. US Department of Commerce – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) – Coastal Zone Management Program (ALN: 11.419) = Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) – Division of Nature Preserves – FY 2025 Lake Michigan Coastal Program – Land Acquisition Category – Grant Application #1.
2. US Department of Commerce – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) – Coastal Zone Management Program (ALN: 11.419) = Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) – Division of Nature Preserves – FY 2025 Lake Michigan Coastal Program – Land Acquisition Category – Grant Application #2.
3. Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission (LCRBDC) – Grant Application for Acquisition of Property.

19: Emergency Management – 9304

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

Grant Application & Grant Approval – Grant Oversight Committee

NIPSCO Gives Back Local Grants – FY 2024 Safety Grant Application.

20: Commissioners/Lake County 911 – 9305

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

Transfer – E-911 Operating Fund – 1014

From: 61340 Group Insurance - Deduction	\$ 350,000.00	
To: 63995 Other Services & Charges		\$ 350,000.00
Total:	\$ 350,000.00	

21: Health Department – 9306

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

A. Appropriation – County Health Fund – 1105 **Withdrawn**

61110 Officials & Administrators	\$ 36,300.00
6120 Professionals	\$ 10,350.00
61130 Technicians	\$ 6,850.00
61140 Protective Services	\$ 74,660.00
61150 Paraprofessionals	\$ 67,180.00
61160 Office & Clerical	\$ 27,360.00
61320 FICA - Deduction	\$ 17,100.00
61330 PERF - Deduction	\$ 31,650.00
Total:	\$ 271,450.00

21: Health Department – 9306 **Continued**

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

B. Rev. 144 – LC Health Dept. Local Public Health Services Fund – 1161

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
XXXXX-XXX Certified Medical Assistant	\$ 0.00	\$ 42,750.00	\$ 42,750.00
Total(s):	\$ 0.00	\$ 42,750.00	\$ 42,750.00

22: Economic Development – 9307 (BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

Ordinance

Ordinance establishing The Lake County Community Economic Development Department's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Projects Fund, A Non-Reverting Fund.

23: Hammond & Gary Courthouses – 9302

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

A. Appropriation – General Fund – 1001

63510 Utilities	\$ 100,000.00
Total:	\$ 100,000.00

B. Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61180 Service/Maintenance	\$ 100,000.00
63240 Telephone	\$ 130,000.00
To: 63510 Utilities	\$ 230,000.00
Total:	\$ 230,000.00

24: Government Center – 9303

(BROWN, CID & NIEMEYER)

Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 61170 Skilled Craft Workers	\$ 6,000.00
61180 Service/Maintenance	\$ 50,000.00
To: 61190 Part-Time	\$ 56,000.00
Total:	\$ 56,000.00

25: Lake County Commissioners – 6002

(CID, HAMM & BROWN)

A. Appropriation – Lake County 911 Fund – 1399

63995 Other Services & Charges	\$ 14,000.00
Total:	\$ 14,000.00

B. Transfer – General Fund – 1001

From: 63120 Medical and Hospital Services	\$ 36,000.00
To: 63150 Consultant Fees	\$ 36,000.00
Total:	\$ 36,000.00

25: Lake County Commissioners – 6002 **Continued**

(CID, HAMM & BROWN)

C. Transfer – Gambling Admission Tax Fund – 1196

From: 63420 Insurance	\$ 500,000.00	
To: 63190 Other Professional Service		\$ 500,000.00
Total:	\$ 500,000.00	

D. Resolution

Resolution to approve the transfer of \$96,500.46 from 2022-2 (CCMG) Lake County Local Roads & Bridges Matching Grant Fund, Fund No. 9444 to CEDIT Fund, Fund No. 4012.

26: 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 2024 Budget. (CID)

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 2024 budget. (CID)
2. Lake County Part-Time Employees Pay Rate Ordinance for 2025. (CID)
3. Lake County Mileage Rate Ordinance for 2025. (CID)
4. Ordinance concerning Holiday Schedule for the calendar year of 2025. (CID)
5. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1459C, The Ordinance Declaring Funds Dormant and Repealing and Rescinding the Ordinance Establishing the Funds.
6. Ordinance amending the Ordinance Establishing a Merit System Board for The Lake County Correction Division, Ordinance No. 1322C.

C. Resolution

Resolution to approve transfers to Self Insurance Non-Reverting Liability Fund, Fund 4541; Group Insurance Non-Reverting Accrual Fund 1001-9999-26514; and Jail Inmate Medical Non-Reverting Fund, Fund 4414.

D. Consulting Contracts and Agreements

1. Executive Employment Agreement.
2. Law Office of Thomas O'Donnell.
3. Law office of Ray L. Szarmach, P.C.
4. Law Offices of Shana D. Levinson.
5. Linda S. Garcia-Marmolejo Attorney at Law.

E. Councilmanic Post(s)

1. Syd Garner Scholarship Committee:
 - (2) Two Members of the Lake County Council
2. Northwest Indiana Community Action Corporation:
 - (1) One Elected Official and/or their Designated Representative

F. Combined Councilmanic & Citizen Appointment

Lake County Redevelopment Commission:

- (2) Two Members

G. Citizen Appointment(s)

1. Contractor's Licensing Board:
 - (1) One Member from HVAC Industry
2. County Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals:
 - (2) Two Members (At least (1) one Member must be a Certified Level Two or Three Assessor/Appraiser)
3. Library Boards:
 - (1) One Member-East Chicago

Public Comments:

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