

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the County Auditor, the public interests required that the Lake County Council, should be called to meet in special session at this time, for the purpose of considering Budgets for Year 2023, a written notice was sent to each member of the Council, and proper advertisement made, and all other acts performed in accordance with the laws governing such matters.

And now in obedience to such call, come Ted Bilski, President, Charlie Brown, Daniel Dernulc, Christine Cid, Christian Jorgensen and Alfredo Menchaca County Councilpersons, together with Tom O'Donnell, County Council Attorney. Councilman David Hamm was absent.

In the Matter of Public Hearings for the Budget Year 2023

200/1002 Auditor
300/1003 Treasurer
600/1006 Surveyor
2600/1008 Drainage Board
700/1007 Coroner
100/1001 Clerk
400/1004 Recorder
900/2001 Assessor
2505/2007 Property Tax Board of Appeals
1000/2002 Calumet Township Assessor
1200/2003 Center Township Assessor
1500/2004 Hobart Township Assessor
1700/2005 Ross Township Assessor
1800/2006 St. John Township Assessor
2100/5001 Combined Election/Reg. Board
2300/5002 Cooperative Extension
2400/5004 Plan Commission
2650/5006 Soil & Water Conservation
2700/5003 Veteran Services
2800/5005 Weights & Measures
2920/9201 Fairgrounds
5155/9203 Parks & Recreation
5156/9204 Parks & Recreation-Administrative Services
5153/9205 Parks & Recreation
800/9001 Prosecutor
850/9003 Prosecutor IV-D
4002/9002 Criminal Division Public Defender
3800/3004 Circuit Court
3900/3001 Superior Court Civil
3910/3003 Court Administrator
4000/3002 Superior Criminal Courts
4030/4002 Lake Superior Court County Division I
4032/7008 L.A.D.O. S Division I
4040/4003 Lake Superior Court County Division II
4042/7009 L.A.D.O.S. Division II
4050/4004 Lake Superior Court County Division III
4070/4001 Lake Superior Court IV
4150/4006 Juvenile Court /C.A.S.A.
4100/4005 Juvenile Court
3950/4007 IV-D Court
4200/8003 Juvenile Detention Center
500/8001 Sheriff
582/8005 Sheriff (Fund 4182)
1013 through 1017 and 8006 through 8010 JAG Grants (2017 through 2021)
3200/8004 Animal Control
3100/8002 Jail
2950/7001 Public Works
5011/7002 County Highway
5013/7004 Gen. Undistributed Motor Expenses
5017/7005 Motor Vehicle
5018/7003 Highway Fund
5020/7006 Cumulative Bridget
5060/7007 Local Roads & Streets
2902/9308 Human Resources
2901/9305 E-911
3031/9312 HVAC
3500/9304 Emergency Management

3501/9310 Emergency Planning
3600/9301 Data Processing Agency
5130/9306 Health Department
5131/9311 Health Dept. Tobacco Settlement
6100/9307 Economic Development
3000/9302 Hammond & Gary Courthouses
3030/9303 Government Center
2900/6002 Lake County Commissioners
3700/6001 Lake County Council
 Lake Ridge Fire
 Solid Waste

OPEN: Public Comments, Council Discussion, and Actions

Bilski asked County Assessor LaTonya for guidance regarding any guidelines for requirements such as parcel to staff ratio in each assessor's office. LaTonya stated that there are no established guidelines but there is a formula that each office is aware of. LaTonya said that she would get that information back to the council before the second reading in October.

Jorgensen asked Mark Pearman why the assessor's office is having delays in computer software upgrades. Mark stated that the issue is that they have been spending the last year upgrading their communications network. Mark said that all offices are complete with the exception of Hobart. He continued that there has been a battle between AT&T and Frontier in getting the fiber optic line installed correctly. "It's been mis-installed three times over the last six months. This is an AT&T problem. We've had major problems with AT&T since the Coronavirus. Mark said that they had a meeting with AT&T last week and they have promised that the issue will be corrected by the end of this month.

Jorgensen requested that Judge Dimitrijevic speak with Senior Judge Cantrell and Community Corrections regarding the needs of the court.

Jorgensen asked Marty Goldman to make sure that all judges and Scott have a copy of the judicial utilization rates. Marty asked that Jorgensen put the request in writing and send the request to Judge Sedia.

No action was taken by the Council during this meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Council, it was moved and seconded that this Council does now adjourn, to meet again as required by law.

President, Lake County Council

ATTEST:

John E. Petalas,
Lake County Auditor