

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the County Auditor, the public interests required that the Lake County Council, should be called to meet in regular session at this time, for the purpose of considering additional appropriations, 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 Charlie Brown, President, David Hamm, Pete Lindemulder, Christine Cid, Ted Bilski, Randy Niemeyer and Clorius Lay, County Councilpersons, together with Tom O'Donnell and Ray Szarmach, County Council Attorneys.

In the Matter of Minutes – March 14, 2023

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Cid, to approve. Majority voted yes. Bilski was absent. Motion to approve carried 6-0.

ORDINANCE #1482

Section 1. Be It Ordained by the County Council of Lake County, IN., that for the expenses of the County Government and its institutions, the following sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein appropriated, and shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided by law.

	Appropriation Requested	Appropriated
Reassessment 2015 Fund 1337		
<u>Calumet Twp. Assessor 2002 Deferred March</u>		
61100 Overtime	(\$15,000.00)	<b>WITHDRAWN</b>
61190 Part-Time	(\$30,000.00)	""
62110 Office Supplies	(\$9,000.00)	""
62230 Clothing	(\$2,134.00)	""
63190 Other Professional Service	\$455,000.00	""
<u>Hobart Twp. Assessor 2004</u>		
63190 Other Professional Service	\$196,549.00	\$196,549.00
LC CASA Capacity Building Grant Fund 9377		
<u>Juvenile Court/CASA 4006</u>		
62120 Lit, Edu., Info & Ref. Mat.	\$2,687.00	\$2,687.00
Child Support IV-D/FSSA Fund 8297		
<u>IV-D Court 4007</u>		
63995 Other Services & Charges	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
64420 Office Machines	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
64490 Other Equipment	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
County Highway Fund 1102		
<u>County Highway 7002</u>		
62110 Office Supplies	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
63120 Medical & Hospital Services	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
63190 Other Professional Service	\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00
63240 Telephone	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
63610 Buildings and Structures	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
<u>Highway Fund 7003</u>		
63640 Local Roads & Streets Projects	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00
64500 Construction & Reconstruction	\$1,600,000.00	\$1,600,000.00
<u>Gen Undistributed Motor Expense 7004</u>		
62220 Garage & Motors	\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00
62310 Equipment Repair Parts	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
63620 Equipment Repair	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
63715 Equipment Lease	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00
63720 Laundry & Cleaning	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Motor Vehicle 7005

61110 Officials & Administrators	\$11,750.00	\$11,750.00
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LC Sheriff's Homeland Security 2022 Port Security Grant Fund 8447

Sheriff 8001

64490 Other Equipment	\$777,557.00	\$777,557.00
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Justice Assistance Grant Fund 8262

JAG 2022 Grant 8011

61100 Overtime	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
62410 Other Supplies	\$6,194.00	\$6,194.00
63236 Travel – Training	\$13,120.00	\$13,120.00
63995 Other Service & Charges	\$14,514.00	\$14,514.00
64490 Other Equipment	\$55,494.00	\$55,494.00

Supplemental Public Defender Fund 1405

Criminal Division Public Defender 9002

64420 Office Machines	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
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County General Fund 1001

Emergency Mgmt. 9304

62110 Office Supplies	\$2,396.00	\$2,396.00
62210 Petroleum Products	\$2,808.00	\$2,808.00
62220 Garage & Motors	\$4,580.00	\$4,580.00
62230 Clothing	\$5,438.00	\$5,438.00
62310 Equipment Repair Parts	\$7,499.00	\$7,499.00
62410 Other Supplies	\$13,392.00	\$13,392.00
63231 Travel – Registration	\$741.00	\$741.00
63232 Travel – Meals	\$2,591.00	\$2,591.00
63233 Travel – Lodging	\$2,178.00	\$2,178.00
63234 Travel – Trans/Other	\$1,999.00	\$1,999.00
63235 Travel – Mileage	\$2,546.00	\$2,546.00
63240 Telephone	\$1,324.00	\$1,324.00
63630 Maintenance & Service Cont.	\$4,099.00	\$4,099.00
63910 Dues & Subscriptions	\$1,245.00	\$1,245.00
63995 Other Services & Charges	\$1,094.00	\$1,094.00

Adopted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS CERTIFICATE

I, the proper legal officer of Lake County Council, Lake County, IN., hereby certify to the Auditor of Lake County, that the Lake County Council, approved the following transfers:

	Requested	Approved
<u>Lake Sup Court-County Div.-Rm 2 4003 (See Footnotes)</u>		
County General Fund 1001		
From: 1001-61120 Professionals	\$28,500.00	<b>POSTPONED TO 5/9/2023</b>
To: 1001-63190 Other Professional Service	\$28,500.00	

Additional

Made Motion	Seconded
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Reassessment 2015 Fund 1337

Calumet Township Assessor (\$398,866)	<b>WITHDRAWN</b>
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Reassessment 2015 Fund 1337 (See Footnotes)

Hobart Twp. Assessor 2004 (\$196,549)	Hamm	Bilski	Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.
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LC CASA Capacity Building Grant Fund 9377Juvenile Court/CASA 4006  
(\$2,687)

Hamm

Bilski

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.Child Support IV-D/FSSA Fund 8297IV-D Court 4007  
(\$6,000)

Hamm

Bilski

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.County Highway Fund 1102County Highway 7002  
(\$123,500)

Niemeyer

Lindemulder

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.County Highway Fund 1102Highway Fund 7003  
(\$1,850,000)

Niemeyer

Lindemulder

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.County Highway Fund 1102Gen Undistributed Motor Expense 7004  
(\$1,840,000)

Niemeyer

Hamm

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.County Highway Fund 1102Motor Vehicle 7005  
(\$11,750)

Niemeyer

Hamm

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.LC Sheriff's Homeland Security 2022 Port Security Grant Fund 8447Sheriff 8001  
(\$777,557)

Cid

Bilski

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.Justice Assistance Grant Fund 8262JAG 2022 Grant 8011  
(\$94,322)

Cid

Hamm

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.Supplemental Public Defender Fund 1405Criminal Division Public Defender 9002  
(\$15,000)

Cid

Hamm

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried  
7-0.County General Fund 1001Emergency Mgmt. 9304  
(\$53,930)

Cid

Niemeyer

Majority voted yes.  
Motion to approve carried 7-0.

## Appropriation Footnotes:

Niemeyer: "I'd ask that when we consider these large appropriations of any type in departments like this that we look for opportunities to reduce duplication; whether it be in facilities or personnel."

Hamm: We did that last month. We made the reductions.

Niemeyer: There were some reductions made but there is still opportunity where we can improve what we do as far as, especially from a facility standpoint, utilizing public buildings that might already be available.

Transfers

Made Motion      Seconded

Lake Sup Court-County Div.-Rm 2 4003 (See Footnotes)  
County General Fund 1001      **POSTPONED**  
(\$28,500)      **TO 5/9/2023**

Transfer Footnotes:

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve.

Hamm: At budget time, what I'd like to do is remove that position from the judge's budget. I can remove that position now but I want everyone to remember that I'm going to ask for increase in the \$28,500 in Other Professional Service.

Cid: We should just eliminate the position now.

Hamm withdrew his motion. Bilski withdrew his second.

Szarmach: If you do anything with the salary ordinance, which was passed in the fall, you should do it as a Revised 144. That doesn't have to be advertised but it has to be done in a public meeting. So, anything you want to do to the salary ordinance, you can put it on next months agenda or you could do it in the fall.

Cid: Currently, instead of filling that position, they have contracted that work out. So now they're taking the money from the position and transferring it over to fund the contract. That position is still funded and that position can be filled at any time. In order for me to approve the transfer, I want that position eliminated. Now we would be funding the position and funding the contract which is not necessary.

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Lay, to postpone to 5-9-2023. Majority voted yes. Motion to postpone to 5-9-2023 carried 7-0.

In the Matter of IV-D Court 4007 – Create 1 New Line Item – Child Support IV-D/FSSA Fund 8297

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to create the following new line item:

63995 Other Services & Charges

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve creation of new line item carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Juvenile Court/C.A.S.A. 4006 – Create 1 New Line Item – LC CASA Capacity Building Grant Fund 9377

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to create the following new line item:

62120 Literature, Education, Information & Reference Material

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve creation of new line item carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Combined Election & Registration 5001 – Revised 144 – County General Fund 1001  
**Effective 03-27-2023**

Lindemulder made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve the following Revised 144 with the effective date of 3-27-2023:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
16107-001 Election Clerk I/GIS/CFA	\$41,305.00	\$0.00	(\$41,305.00)
16106-Xxx Election Clerk I/CFA	\$0.00	\$40,158.00	\$40,158.00
16131-002 Registration Clerk II	\$36,715.00	\$0.00	(\$36,715.00)
161Xx-Xxx Registration Clerk II/GIS	\$0.00	\$37,862.00	\$7,862.00

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve Revised 144 with effective date of 3-27-2023 carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Motor Vehicle 7005 – Revised 144 – County Highway Fund 1102

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approved the following Revised 144:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
11220-001 Foreman	\$63,064.00	\$66,000.00	\$2,936.00
11220-002 Foreman	\$63,064.00	\$66,000.00	\$2,936.00
11220-003 Foreman	\$63,064.00	\$66,000.00	\$2,936.00
11719-001 Bridge Foreman	\$63,064.00	\$66,000.00	\$2,936.00

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve Revised 144 carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Recorder 1004 – Revised 144 – Co. Recorder's Perpetuation Fund 1179  
**Effective 04-03-2023**

Cid made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve the following Revised 144 with an effective date of 4-3-2023:

Niemeyer: As we put together budgets for 2024, would it be more productive to receipt miscellaneous revenues that help support a fund like this into the general fund and then adopt salary ordinances reflective of current or future rates of pay as a way to attract and retain better talent at a higher advertised rate but at a net zero for the county?

O'Donnell: This fund is a statutorily established fund with fees for certain services the Recorder performs. It's a non-reverting fund and it can't be used to replace general fund expenses.

Cid: We've always said when you establish a fee or get a grant and you're giving supplemental pay, once that fee goes away, so does that supplemental pay.

Niemeyer: But not every fee structure of a miscellaneous revenue type is non-reverting. But it's a good debate to have as we go into budget season to look at opportunities that we have to clean up what we do from a salary ordinance/job description stand point and how we budget the departments.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
39002-001 Supplemental Pay – NGenFnd	\$8,791.00	\$6,381.00	(\$2,410.00)
39002-002 Supplemental Pay – NGenFnd	\$16,413.00	\$6,353.00	(\$10,060.00)

Majority voted yes. Lay was absent. Motion to approve Revised 144 with an effective date of 4-3-2023 carried 6-0.

In the Matter of Criminal Courts 3002 – Revised 144 – County General Fund 1001  
**Effective 04-24-2023**

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve the following Revised 144 with an effective date of 4-24-2023:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
12428-020 Probation Office	\$61,986.00	\$38,107.00	(\$23,879.00)

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve Revised 144 with an effective date of 4-24-2023 carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Criminal Courts 3002 – Revised 144 – County General Fund 1001  
**Retroactive 01-30-2023**

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve the following Revised 144 with a retroactive date of 1-30-2023:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
12428-017 Probation Officer	\$63,724.00	\$70,094.00	\$6,370.00

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve Revised 144 with a retroactive date of 1-30-2023 carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Sheriff – 8001 – Create 1 New Line Item – LC Sheriff's Homeland Security 2022 Port Security Grant Fund 8447

Cid made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve the creation of the following new line item:

64490 Other Equipment

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve creation of new line item carried 7-0.

In the Matter of JAG 2022 Grant 8011 – Create 5 New Line Items – Justice Assistance Grant Fund 8262

Cid made the motion, seconded by Niemeyer, to approve the creation of the following new line items:

61100 Overtime  
62410 Other Supplies  
63236 Travel – Training  
63995 Other Services & Charges  
64490 Other Equipment

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve creation of new line items carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Lake County Commissioners 6002 – Grant Application & Grant Approval – Grant Oversight Committee – US Treasury – American Rescue Plan Act – Local and Tribal Consistency Fund (ARP-LATCF) Grant Application

Bilski made the motion, seconded by Cid, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

In the Matter of County Council – Citizen Appointments – County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team – Protective Service Employee (Shall)

Cid made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to defer to 5-9-2023. Majority voted yes. Motion to defer to 5-9-2023 carried 7-0.

In the Matter of County Council – Citizen Appointments – Lowell Library Board

Bilski made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to open nominations. Majority voted yes. Motion to open nominations carried 7-0.

Niemeyer made the motion to nominate Daniel Fagen.

Bilski made the motion, seconded by Cid, to close nominations. Majority voted yes. Motion to close nominations carried 7-0.

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Cid, to seat Daniel Fagen. Majority voted yes. Motion to seat Daniel Fagen carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Resolution Honoring Crown Point High School Senior Sam Goin, IHSAA State Wrestling Champion – 160 Pound Weight Division

Lindemulder made the motion, seconded by Niemeyer to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-19**

**RESOLUTION HONORING CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR  
SAM GOIN,  
IHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPION - 160 POUND WEIGHT DIVISION**

**WHEREAS, students and professional athletes nurtured and trained in Lake County, Indiana, have consistently shown excellence in all sporting endeavors; and**

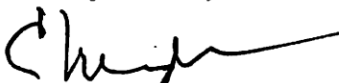
**WHEREAS, Lake County has generously sent forth its spirited and athletic youth to compete with other youths of this state and of every country and nation of this world; and**

**WHEREAS, Lake County is justly proud of its sons and daughters who have so willingly taken upon themselves the hardships and disciplines, both physical and mental, which successful participation in sporting events demands; and**

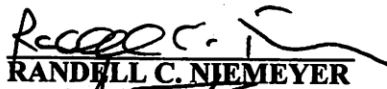
**WHEREAS, SAM GOIN, a Crown Point High School Senior, captured the Indiana State Wrestling Championship - 160 Pound Weight Division, on February 18, 2023 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, claiming his second consecutive title.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Lake County Council, and all citizens of Lake County extend congratulations and praise to SAM GOIN for capturing first place in the IHSAA State Wrestling Meet - 160 Pound Weight Division; that a copy of this Resolution be spread on the official records of the Lake County Council, and an official copy be delivered to SAM GOIN.**

**DULY ADOPTED by the Lake County Council, this 11th day of April, 2023.**

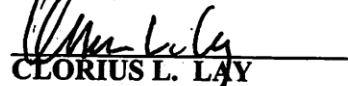
  
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TED F. BILSKI

**Members of the Lake County Council**

In the Matter of Resolution Honoring Crown Point High School Senior Cody Goodwin, IHSAA State Wrestling Champion – 170 Pound Weight Division

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-20**

**RESOLUTION HONORING CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR  
CODY GOODWIN,  
IHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPION - 170 POUND WEIGHT DIVISION**

**WHEREAS, students and professional athletes nurtured and trained in Lake County, Indiana, have consistently shown excellence in all sporting endeavors; and**

**WHEREAS, Lake County has generously sent forth its spirited and athletic youth to compete with other youths of this state and of every country and nation of this world; and**

**WHEREAS, Lake County is justly proud of its sons and daughters who have so willingly taken upon themselves the hardships and disciplines, both physical and mental, which successful participation in sporting events demands; and**

**WHEREAS, CODY GOODWIN, a Crown Point High School Senior, captured the Indiana State Wrestling Championship - 170 Pound Weight Division, on February 18, 2023 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Lake County Council, and all citizens of Lake County extend congratulations and praise to CODY GOODWIN for capturing first place in the IHSAA State Wrestling Meet - 170 Pound Weight Division; that a copy of this Resolution be spread on the official records of the Lake County Council, and an official copy be delivered to CODY GOODWIN.**

**DULY ADOPTED by the Lake County Council, this 11th day of April, 2023.**

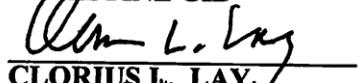
  
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**CHARLIE BROWN - President**

  
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**TED F. BILSKI**

**Members of the Lake County Council**



In the Matter of Resolution Honoring Crown Point High School Senior Orlando Cruz, IHSA State Wrestling Champion – 182 Pound Weight Division

Lindemulder made the motion, seconded by Niemeyer, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-21**

**RESOLUTION HONORING CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR  
ORLANDO CRUZ,  
IHSA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPION - 182 POUND WEIGHT DIVISION**

**WHEREAS, students and professional athletes nurtured and trained in Lake County, Indiana, have consistently shown excellence in all sporting endeavors; and**

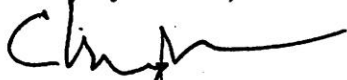
**WHEREAS, Lake County has generously sent forth its spirited and athletic youth to compete with other youths of this state and of every country and nation of this world; and**

**WHEREAS, Lake County is justly proud of its sons and daughters who have so willingly taken upon themselves the hardships and disciplines, both physical and mental, which successful participation in sporting events demands; and**

**WHEREAS, ORLANDO CRUZ, a Crown Point High School Senior, captured the Indiana State Wrestling Championship - 182 Pound Weight Division, on February 18, 2023 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Lake County Council, and all citizens of Lake County extend congratulations and praise to ORLANDO CRUZ for capturing first place in the IHSA State Wrestling Meet - 182 Pound Weight Division; that a copy of this Resolution be spread on the official records of the Lake County Council, and an official copy be delivered to ORLANDO CRUZ.**

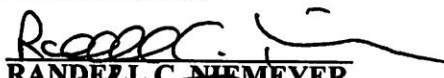
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**CHARLIE BROWN - President**



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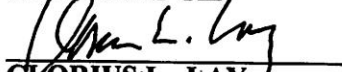
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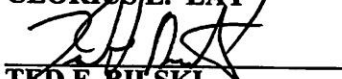
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**CHRISTINE CID**



**CLORIUS L. LAY**



**TED F. BILSKI**

**Members of the Lake County Council**

In the Matter of Resolution Honoring Crown Point High School Junior Will Clark, IHSAA State Wrestling Champion – 220 Pound Weight Division

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Lindemulder, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-22**

**RESOLUTION HONORING CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR  
WILL CLARK,  
IHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPION - 220 POUND WEIGHT DIVISION**

**WHEREAS, students and professional athletes nurtured and trained in Lake County, Indiana, have consistently shown excellence in all sporting endeavors; and**

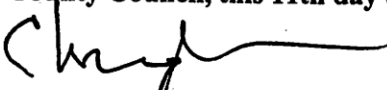
**WHEREAS, Lake County has generously sent forth its spirited and athletic youth to compete with other youths of this state and of every country and nation of this world; and**

**WHEREAS, Lake County is justly proud of its sons and daughters who have so willingly taken upon themselves the hardships and disciplines, both physical and mental, which successful participation in sporting events demands; and**


**WHEREAS, WILL CLARK, a Crown Point High School Junior, captured the Indiana State Wrestling Championship - 220 Pound Weight Division, on February 18, 2023 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Lake County Council, and all citizens of Lake County extend congratulations and praise to WILL CLARK for capturing first place in the IHSAA State Wrestling Meet - 220 Pound Weight Division; that a copy of this Resolution be spread on the official records of the Lake County Council, and an official copy be delivered to WILL CLARK.**

**DULY ADOPTED by the Lake County Council, this 11th day of April, 2023.**

  
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CHARLIE BROWN - President

  
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Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Resolution Honoring Crown Point High School Boys Wrestling Team-IHSAA State Wrestling Champions

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-23**

**RESOLUTION HONORING CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL BOYS WRESTLING TEAM-IHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONS**

**WHEREAS, students and professional athletes nurtured and trained in Lake County, Indiana, have consistently shown excellence in all sporting endeavors; and**

**WHEREAS, Lake County has generously sent forth its spirited and athletic youth to compete with other youths of this state and of every country and nation of this world; and**

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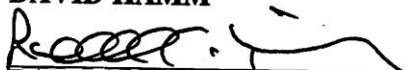
**WHEREAS, Crown Point High School Boys Wrestling Team captured the IHSAA Wrestling Championship at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on February 18, 2023, winning the State title for a second year in a row, and the School's third State title, the first coming in 2009.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Lake County Council, and all citizens of Lake County who are represented by this august body, extend congratulations and praise to the students, teachers, coaches and trainers but most particularly to the young men of the Crown Point High School Boys Wrestling Team, the IHSAA Wrestling State Champions and champions always for Lake County; that a copy of this Resolution be spread on the official records of the Lake County Council, and an official copy be delivered to the Crown Point High School Boys Wrestling Team.**

**DATED THIS 11th day of April, 2023.**

  
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**CHARLIE BROWN - President**

  
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**TED F. BILSKI**

**Members of the Lake County Council**

In the Matter of Resolution Honoring Youth Wrestling Champions Indiana State Wrestling Association (ISWA) Folkstyle Tournament

Lindemulder made the motion, seconded by Cid, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-24**

**RESOLUTION HONORING YOUTH WRESTLER CHAMPIONS INDIANA STATE WRESTLING ASSOCIATION FOLKSTYLE TOURNAMENT**

**WHEREAS,** students and professional athletes nurtured and trained in Lake County, Indiana, have consistently shown excellence in all sporting endeavors; and

**WHEREAS,** Lake County has generously sent forth its spirited and athletic youth to compete with other youths of this state and of every country and nation of this world; and

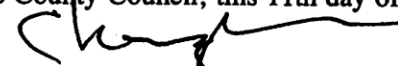
**WHEREAS,** Lake County is justly proud of its sons and daughters who have so willingly taken upon themselves the hardships and disciplines, both physical and mental, which successful participation in sporting events demands; and

**WHEREAS,** the following youth wrestlers captured first place at the Indiana State Wrestling Association Folkstyle Tournament in Indianapolis on March 11-12, 2023:

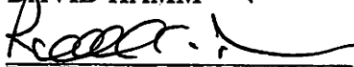
Parker Stanisz	Bulldog Premier Wrestling Club	10u - 67 lbs.
Jack Besse	Bulldog Premier Wrestling Club	8u - 45 lbs.
Evan Stanley	Lowell Wrestling Club	16u - 132 lbs.
Carson Planer	Region Wrestling Academy	12u - 92 lbs.
Anthony Quiroz	Region Wrestling Academy	8u - 62 lbs.
Austin Reading	Bulldog Premier Wrestling Club	16u - 195 lbs.
Gavin Lewis	Peacock Wrestling Club LLC	16u - 120 lbs.
Landon Hawkins	Bulldog Premier Wrestling Club	USA Junior - 138 lbs.
Sontonio Sessa	Bulldog Premier Wrestling Club	16u - 126 lbs.
Teigan Newell	Bulldog Premier Wrestling Club	16u - 113 lbs.
Cesar Salas	Merrillville Pirates Wrestling Club	14u - 187 lbs.
Anthony Rinehart	Bulldog Premier Wrestling Club	USA Junior - 170 lbs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the Lake County Council, and all citizens of Lake County extend congratulations and praise to Parker Stanisz, Jack Besse, Evan Stanley, Carson Planer, Anthony Quiroz, Austin Reading, Gavin Lewis, Landon Hawkins, Sontonio Sessa, Teigan Newell, Cesar Salas and Anthony Rinehart for capturing first place in the Indiana State Wrestling Association Folkstyle Tournament; that a copy of this Resolution be spread on the official records of the Lake County Council, and an official copy be delivered to each wrestler.

DULY ADOPTED by the Lake County Council, this 11th day of April, 2023.

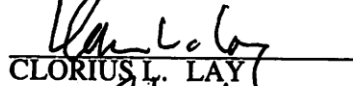
  
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TED F. BILSKI

Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Resolution Recognizing May as Lyme Disease Awareness Month

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve.

Attorney Ray Szarmach spoke on his experience with Lyme Disease.

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-25

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY  
AS LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS,** Lyme disease is a bacterial illness transmitted by the bite of an infected tick, commonly known as the blacklegged or deer tick, which may be no larger than a poppy seed; and

**WHEREAS,** while people of all ages can get Lyme disease, children who are under the age of 16, adults who are 40 years of age or older and individuals who spend time outdoors in tick-infested environments, especially during the warmer months of May to August, appear to be at greater risk; and

**WHEREAS,** the early stages of Lyme disease can appear within 3 to 30 days after a tick bite and may include a red bull's eye rash, fatigue, chills, fever, headache, stiff neck, muscle or joint pain, or swollen lymph nodes; and

**WHEREAS,** the later stages of Lyme disease, which may include arthritis, neurologic complications, an irregular heart rhythm, or memory impairment, may not appear until weeks or years after a tick bite; and

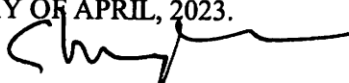
**WHEREAS,** diagnosing Lyme disease is difficult because the signs and symptoms commonly mimic other illnesses and the tests used to diagnose Lyme disease can result in both false negatives and false positives; and

**WHEREAS,** the best ways to prevent Lyme disease are tick avoidance, personal protection, checking skin for ticks and properly removing them, learning the early signs of tick-borne illnesses, consulting your doctor after tick bites, and controlling ticks in residential yards.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:

That the Lake County Council does hereby recognize May as Lyme Disease Awareness Month and, be it further resolved that the Lake County Council calls upon all residents to learn about the importance of tick avoidance and personal protection, tick detection and removal, the signs and symptoms of tick-borne illnesses, and the need for prompt diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease.

SO RESOLVED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.


  
CHARLIE BROWN - President


  
DAVID HAMM

  
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Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Resolution Permitting the Purdue Lake County Extension to Pay an Outstanding 2022 Invoice/Debt in the Amount of \$320.00 from the 2023 Budget

Lindemulder made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-26**

**RESOLUTION PERMITTING PURDUE LAKE COUNTY EXTENSION TO PAY AN OUTSTANDING 2022 INVOICE/DEBT FROM THE 2023 BUDGET**

**WHEREAS,** Purdue Lake County Extension is currently operating in the 2023 Budget; and

**WHEREAS,** the following invoice/debt incurred in the Budget year of 2022, has not been paid:

<u>1001-5002-63235</u>	<u>Travel-Mileage</u>
Purdue University	\$320.00; and

**WHEREAS,** Purdue Lake County Extension desires to pay the above invoice/debt due.

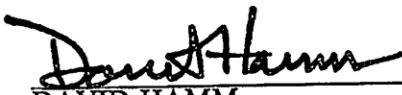
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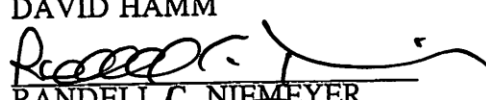
That the following 2022 expense shall be paid from the Purdue Lake County Extension's 2023 Budget:

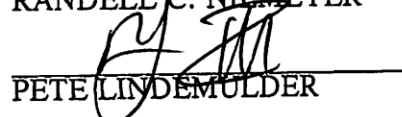
<u>1001-5002-63235</u>	<u>Travel-Mileage</u>
Purdue University	\$320.00


SO RESOLVED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

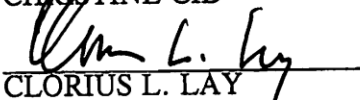
  
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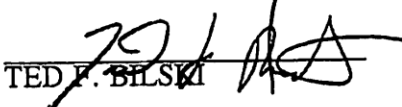
  
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TED F. BILSKI

Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Resolution Permitting the Lake County Community Corrections to Pay an Outstanding 2022 Invoice/Debt in the Amount of \$13,068.85 from the 2023 Budget

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve. Majority voted yes. Lay was absent. Motion to approve carried 6-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-27**

**RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE LAKE COUNTY  
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS TO PAY AN  
OUTSTANDING 2022 INVOICE/DEBT FROM THE 2023 BUDGET**

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Community Corrections is currently operating in the 2023 Budget;  
and

**WHEREAS,** the following invoice/debt incurred in the Budget year of 2022, has not been paid:

<u>1244-9102-63710</u>	<u>Equipment Rental</u>
Sentinel Offender Services	\$13,068.85; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Community Corrections desires to pay the above invoice/debt due.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

That the following 2022 expense shall be paid from  
the Lake County Community Corrections 2023 Budget:

<u>1244-9102-63710</u>	<u>Equipment Rental</u>
Sentinel Offender Services	\$13,068.85

SO RESOLVED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

  
CHARLIE BROWN - President

  
DAVID HAMM

  
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PETE LINDEMULDER

  
CHRISTINE CID

ABSENT  
CLORIUS L. LAY

  
TED F. BILSKI

Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Resolution Permitting the Lake County Auditor to Pay an Outstanding 2022 Invoice/Debt in the amount of \$11,965.00 from the 2023 Budget

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Lay, to approve. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-28**

**RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE LAKE COUNTY  
AUDITOR TO PAY AN  
OUTSTANDING 2022 INVOICE/DEBT FROM THE 2023 BUDGET**

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Auditor is currently operating in the 2023 Budget; and

**WHEREAS,** the following invoice/debt incurred in the Budget year of 2022, has not been paid:

<u>1329-1002-63150</u>	<u>Consultant Fees</u>
Policy Analytics, LLC	\$11,965.00; and





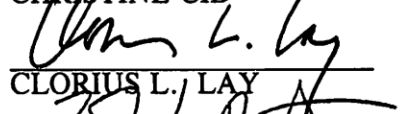

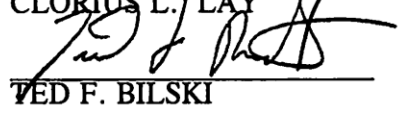
**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Auditor desires to pay the above invoice/debt due.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

That the following 2022 expense shall be paid from the Lake County Auditor's 2023 Budget:

<u>1329-1002-63150</u>	<u>Consultant Fees</u>
Policy Analytics, LLC	\$11,965.00

SO RESOLVED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

 DAVID HAMM	 CHARLIE BROWN - President	 CHRISTINE CID
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Members of the Lake County Council



In the Matter of Resolution of the Lake County Council Opposing Cuts to Social Safety Net Programs Including but Not Limited to Social Security, Medicare or Medicaid

Cid made the motion, seconded by Lay, to approve.

Niemeyer: Are these items in danger of being cut? I haven't heard of any sort of federal legislation that would cut them.

Lay: They are debating the issue in the house because the debt limit in America is really a false debt limit. They've already approved the payment of certain bills. Now they say in order to pay the bill, they want to cut Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. Which is predominately being done by the Republican Party in order to pay the bill.

Niemeyer: I haven't heard of that legislation proposed by the Republican Party to cut those specific programs.

Lay: Then you won't have any problem voting for this. This simply is saying that we don't want it cut and that the United States should pay debt that has already been approved by Congress assigned by the President of the United States. So, I certainly would ask that you would support this resolution. It was sent to us by the United Steelworkers and they're asking us to forward it to the President of the United States, Congress, The Senate and several other individuals.

Niemeyer: I'm in favor of the programs that you listed but I don't feel it's a necessary or an impactful thing for me to vote on.

Majority voted yes. Lindemulder and Niemeyer voted to abstain. Motion to approve carried 5-yes, 2-abstentions.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-29

RESOLUTION OF THE LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL  
OPPOSING CUTS TO SOCIAL SAFETY NET PROGRAMS  
INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SOCIAL SECURITY, MEDICARE OR MEDICAID


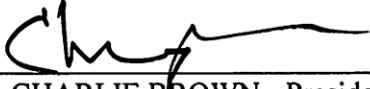

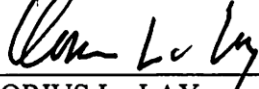

- WHEREAS,** the United States is the only major country with an artificial debt “ceiling” that requires political action after Congress has already approved spending; and
- WHEREAS,** the debt “ceiling does not authorize any new spending commitments; it simply allows the government to finance existing spending obligations that previous Congresses and Presidents of both parties have made in the past; and
- WHEREAS,** since 1960, the U.S. Congress has raised the debt ceiling 78 separate times under majorities of both parties; and
- WHEREAS,** on January 19, 2023, the United States officially reached that borrowing limit and Congress must act by this summer to prevent the United States from defaulting on its debts; and
- WHEREAS,** certain members of the U.S. Congress have stated that they will not agree to raise the debt “ceiling” without changes to Social Security, Medicare, and/or Medicaid programs such as cuts to benefits, raising the retirement age, or even privatization; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2022, Social Security provided benefits to 65.8 million people, including hundreds of thousands of retired union members; and
- WHEREAS,** without social Security, the U.S. poverty rate for our seniors would be nearly 41 percent; instead of just under nine percent; and
- WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council opposes cuts to Social Safety Net Programs including but not limited to Social Security, Medicare and/or Medicaid Programs and desires to call upon our congressional delegation to oppose the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Lake County Council representing the citizens and voters of Lake County oppose cuts to Social Safety Net Programs including but not limited to Social Security, Medicare and/or Medicaid.

- 2. The County Council of Lake County, Indiana, respectfully calls upon Senator Todd Young, Senator Mike Braun and Representative Frank Mrvan to oppose cuts to Social Safety Net Programs including but not limited to Social Security, Medicare and/or Medicaid;
- 3. That a copy of this Resolution be provided to Senator Todd Young, Senator Mike Braun and Representative Frank Mrvan.

SO RESOLVED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

<p> _____ DAVID HAMM</p> <p><u>ABSTAIN</u> _____ RANDELL C. NIEMEYER</p> <p><u>ABSTAIN</u> _____ PETE LINDEMULDER</p>	<p> _____ CHARLIE BROWN - President</p>	<p> _____ CHRISTINE CID</p> <p> _____ CLORIUS L. LAY</p> <p> _____ TED F. BILSKI</p>
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Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Notice to Taxpayers of Public Hearing on Proposed Additional Appropriations for the Crown Point Community Library

Public hearing was opened for discussion.

McCarrin of 9925 Merrillville Road in Crown Point asked the council to explain how there is a rainy-day fund when there is an increase of property taxes.

Bilski: I don't care much for the terminology of rainy-day fund but within any budget, you establish a working budget. No different for the library or any other entity. If they're going to have a capital purchase, they need to have a place to put that fund so that they can build up and save money to make that purchase as opposed to a bond or a loan for 100% of everything. You have to have a mechanism to save money towards the capital purchase.

Library Director Julie Wendorf: In terms of the library, the library is allowed by law to appropriate 10% at the end of the year to that rainy day. We haven't done that for a number of years. The library does not have a capital fund so there is no other place for us to put money to save for major emergencies.

McCarrin: Is there any who knows how much money is currently in rainy day fund at any level in the county?

Scott Schmal: The county's rainy-day fund is zero. We don't have a rainy-day fund. I can't speak to the other entities.

McCarrin: Then does anyone know how much money, before these tax increases were passed, how much money is unspent.

Bilski: I can't speak on a separate taxing unit or a separate entity that's not on our oversight. We're not privileged to that information. We unencumber money at the budget. Roughly 60% of your tax bill goes to the schools. As for your school and your school board, they don't have to report that to us but you have every reason to ascertain that information from them.

McCarrin: The taxes are increasing and no one knows how much money is unspent.

Niemeyer: Every taxing unit will know what their rainy-day fund is because it has to be submitted as a part of their budget. You could go to the city and make a public records request.

Niemeyer also referred McCarrin to the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to close public hearing. Majority voted yes. Motion to close public hearing carried 7-0.

In the Matter of Ordinance Amending the Lake County 2023 Salary Ordinance No. 1476F, Reorganization Positions in the Calumet Township Assessor's Office (County General Fund – 1001) **Deferred March**

**WITHDRAWN**

In the Matter of Ordinance Amending the Lake County 2023 Salary Ordinance No. 1476F, Reorganizing Positions in the Lake County Highway Department (County General Fund – 1001)

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve on First Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on First Reading carried 7-0.

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Lindemulder, to Suspend Rules. Majority voted yes. Motion to Suspend Rules carried 7-0.

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Lindemulder, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1476F-3

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAKE COUNTY  
2023 SALARY ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO. 1476F,  
REORGANIZING POSITIONS IN THE  
LAKE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (1001-7002)


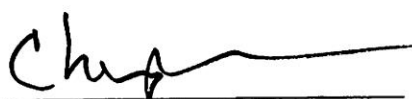


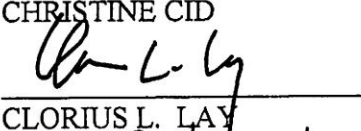
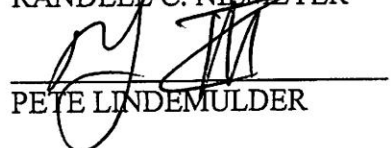

**WHEREAS,** on October 11, 2022, the Lake County Council adopted the Lake County 2023 Salary Ordinance, Ordinance No. 1476F; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council now desires to amend Ordinance No. 1476F to establish a revised Form No. 144 to reorganize positions in the Lake County Highway Department (1001-7002), effective upon adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

That it be ordained by the Lake County Council that the attached Form No. 144, Exhibit "A", reorganizing positions in the Lake County Highway Department (1001-7002), is hereby approved, effective upon adoption.

SO ORDAINED THIS 11th DAY OF April, 2023.

		
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RANDELL C. NIEMEYER		CLORIUS L. LAY
		
PETE LINDEMULDER		TED F. BILSKI

Members of the Lake County Council

Form Prescribed by State Board of Accounts

County Form No. 144 (1971)

**STATEMENT OF SALARIES AND WAGES  
PROPOSED TO BE PAID OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES  
CALENDAR YEAR 2023**

Highway Department 1001-7002, LAKE County, Indiana  
(of \_\_\_\_\_ Board Agency)

The following statement shows the salaries and wages proposed to be paid to officers and employees of the above named office, department, board or agency during the calendar year 2023

**FULL TIME SALARIED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**

*ok*

<small>Title of Position or Employee Classification</small>			
JOB CODE # AND POSITION #	\$ PRESENT	\$ PROPOSED	\$ DIFFERENCE
11219006 Assistant Supervisor	\$ 69,150.00	\$ -	\$ (69,150.00)
11219007 Assistant Supervisor	\$ 69,150.00	\$ 72,150.00	\$ 3,000.00
11219005 Assistant Supervisor	\$ 69,150.00	\$ 72,150.00	\$ 3,000.00
11219008 Assistant Supervisor	\$ 69,150.00	\$ 72,150.00	\$ 3,000.00
11709002 Superintendent	\$ 110,692.00	\$ 121,192.00	\$ 10,500.00
11717002 Assistant Superintendent	\$ 92,982.00	\$ 102,482.00	\$ 9,500.00
1253002 Construction Surveyor	\$ 81,864.00	\$ 84,864.00	\$ 3,000.00
12545002 Highway Engineer	\$ 120,771.00	\$ 126,700.00	\$ 5,929.00
12549002 Assistant Engineer	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
12548004 Engineering Tech	\$ 54,935.00	\$ 57,935.00	\$ 3,000.00
16614001 Finance Manger	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 60,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
16755001 Fleet Service Coordinator	\$ 44,408.00	\$ 51,200.00	\$ 6,792.00
16758001 Personnel specialist	\$ 41,378.00	\$ 46,400.00	\$ 5,022.00
16615002 Engineering Clerk	\$ 45,423.00	\$ 51,330.00	\$ 5,907.00
			\$ -
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 979,053.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>

**PART TIME AND HOURLY RATED EMPLOYEES**

<small>Title of Position or Employee Classification</small>		<small>Rate of Pay</small>	
	\$ _____	Per	_____
	\$ _____	Per	_____
	\$ _____	Per	_____
	\$ _____	Per	_____
	\$ _____	Per	_____

\*Show rate of pay per month, week, day, hour, etc.

Submitted by:

*Jan Smoljan*

Jan Smoljan

SUPERINTENDENT

(Title)

Date March 10 2023

**NOTES:**

- (1) This statement must be filed IN DUPLICATE with the County Auditor on or before July 1 each year for salaries and wages to be paid in the ensuing year.
- (2) The number and salaries to be paid full time officers and employees must be fixed by the County Council. The rates of pay for part time and hourly employees shall likewise be fixed by the County Council but the number to be employed is limited only by the funds appropriated therefore; thus, the amount to be requested in the budget for part time and hourly employees need not be included in this statement
- (3) The County Auditor shall complete the reverse side of this of this form and return one copy to the officer or head of the department, board or agency within 3 days after action thereon by the County Council.

*Ex. A.*

In the Matter of Ordinance Amending the Lake County Part-Time Employees Pay Rate Ordinance for 2023, Ordinance No. 1478C

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve on First Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on First Reading carried 7-0.

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to Suspend Rules. Majority voted yes. Motion to Suspend Rules carried 7-0.

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1478C-1

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAKE COUNTY PART-TIME EMPLOYEES PAY RATE ORDINANCE FOR 2023, ORDINANCE NO. 1478C

**WHEREAS,** on December 13, 2022, the Lake County Council adopted the Lake County Part-Time Employees Pay Rate Ordinance for 2023, Ordinance No. 1478C; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council now desires to amend the Ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

That the following section be amended and adopted as follows:

**DELETE:**

Section IV.

- 18. Lake Superior Court, County Div. II
  - a. Clerk
  - b. Secretary
  - c. Pauper Attorney

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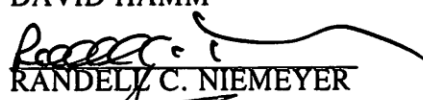
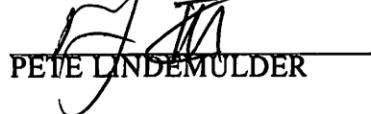
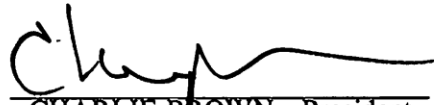

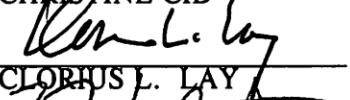

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  - c. Pauper Attorney
  - d. Bailiff

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SO ORDAINED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

 DAVID HAMM  RANDELL C. NIEMEYER  PETE LINDEMULDER	 CHARLIE BROWN - President	 CHRISTINE CID  CLORIUS L. LAY  TED F. BILSKI
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Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Ordinance Establishing the Commissioners' American Rescue Plan Act – Local and Tribal Consistency Fund Grant Fund, a Non-Reverting Fund

Bilski made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve on First Reading.

Lay: Is additional money going to be put into this fund? A non-reverting fund usually means you're accumulating money somewhere.

Jeanne Ficker – Grant Coordinator: We already received \$50,000 and that money is in our limbo fund right now so as soon as this fund is created that \$50,000 from the federal government for this Local and Tribal Consistency Funding will be placed in that fund. We expect another \$50,000 later this year. Its non-reverting because there is no deadline as to when the county has to spend it. So, December 31<sup>st</sup> this money will carry-over. Any revenue will carry-over into 2024.

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on First Reading carried 7-0.

Bilski made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to Suspend Rules. Majority voted yes. Motion to Suspend Rules carried 7-0.

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Lay, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.



**ORDINANCE NO. 1482A**

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE  
COMMISSIONERS' AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT - LOCAL AND  
TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND GRANT FUND, A NON-REVERTING FUND**

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to I.C. 36-2-3.5-5, the Lake County Council shall adopt ordinances to promote efficient County Government; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to I.C. 36-2-5-2(b), the Lake County Council shall appropriate money to be paid out of the County Treasury, and money may be paid from the County Treasury only under appropriation made by the County Council, except as otherwise provided as law; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council desires to establish by ordinance all funds within the County Treasury, from which appropriations and transfers require County Council approval; and

**WHEREAS,** the purpose of the Federal American Rescue Plan Act - Local and Tribal Consistency Fund (ARPA-LATCF) Program is to serve "as a general revenue enhancement program" to eligible sharing counties who have certain federal owned lands in the county; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Board of Commissioners has been awarded an ARPA-LATCF grant in the sum of \$100,000.00, payable in two payments of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars for FY2022 and another payment for FY2023; this is a federal advance grant program and the CFDA/AL number is 21.032; and

**WHEREAS,** recipients of Federal ARPA-LATCF grant funds have broad discretion on uses of these funds, specifically, recipients may use these funds on any governmental purposes other than a lobbying activity; the Build America, Buy America Act's domestic content procurement preference requirements apply to expenditures of ARPA-LATCF grant funds; and recipients must submit periodic reports to the U.S. Treasury on their expenditures until the funds are exhausted; and


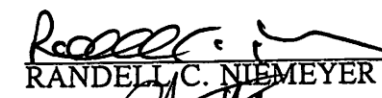
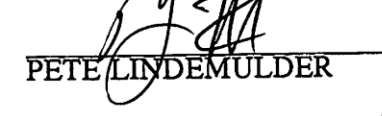




**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council desires to create the Commissioners' American Rescue Plan Act - Local and Tribal Consistency Fund Grant Fund (ARPA-LATCF), a non-reverting Fund, for the deposit of grant funds received from LATCF under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the Commissioners' American Rescue Plan Act - Local and Tribal Consistency Fund Grant Fund (ARPA-LATCF), a non-reverting Fund, is established for the deposit of funds received from LATCF under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).
2. That pursuant to I.C. 36-2-5-2(b) the Lake County Council as the fiscal body shall appropriate all money to be paid out of the fund, except as otherwise provided by law.

- 3. Any money remaining in the fund at the end of the year shall not revert to the General Fund but continue in the Commissioners' American Rescue Plan Act - Local and Tribal Consistency Fund Grant Fund (ARPA-LATCF), a non-reverting Fund.
- 4. In the event the Lake County Board of Commissioners receives additional ARPA-LATCF Grant Awards, through CFDA/AL No. 21.032, such grants may be accounted for from the new fund.

SO ORDAINED THIS 11th DAY OF April, 2023.

 DAVID HAMM  RANDELL C. NIEMEYER  PETE LINDEMULDER	 CHARLIE BROWN - President	 CHRISTINE CID  CLORIUS L. LAY  TED F. BIESKI
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Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Ordinance Adopting the Lake County Plan Commission's Unified Development Ordinance, Ordinance No. 2560 and Repealing and Rescinding the Unincorporated Lake County Zoning Ordinance and Lake County Subdivision Ordinance Regulations No. 1670 Effective October 1, 2023

O'Donnell: We are here today to discuss a rescission and replacement of the entire zoning ordinance. The last ordinance was established in 1957. There's been a unanimous favorable recommendation from the plan commission. This council can adopt it, reject it or amend it. If the council adopts it, its adopted effectively today. We have 90 days from the date it was certified, which was March 28<sup>th</sup>, to take this action. If the legislative body adopts the proposal, the ordinance takes affect as any other ordinance does. If the body fails to act in 90 days, the ordinance takes affect as it was written. If the body rejects or amends the proposal, it has to go back to the plan commission for its consideration with a written statement of the reasons for the rejection or the amendment. The commission then has 45 days in which to consider the rejection or amendment and report that to the legislative body as follows:

If the commission approves the amendment, or fails to act within 45 days, the ordinance stands as passed by the legislative body as of the date of the filing of the commissions report of approval with the legislative body, or the end of the 45-day period. If the commission disapproves the rejection or amendment, the action of the legislative body on the original rejection or amendment stands only if confirmed by another vote of the county council within 45 days after the commission certifies its disapproval.

So, as you can see, there is some pretty hard and fast deadlines here and we are 14 days into that certification.

Niemeyer: One of the things I've noticed in review of this and something I have concern of is some of the right of way dedication requirements. Most of the time, right of way dedication has been geared towards larger scale developments. Which in the county's comprehensive plan, those kinds of developments are pushed towards municipalities anyway. In the cases where you have someone that owns a parcel of farmland, especially in unincorporated areas, it is customary if someone wants to build a home for a family member to do a two-lot subdivision. While with some of the right of way dedication requirements here, I'm concerned that we're essentially transferring ownership of a pretty large amount of land to government in favor of private property ownership. Unless we have a specific plan attached to a roadway, within the county that's apart of our asset management list, I'm not sure that requiring that 50 foot right of way is something that always applies to every situation. So, in an effort to not necessarily legislate the exception, is to look at some clear definitions of when that right of way dedication should be applied and when it shouldn't. We had an example at the last plan commission meeting where a property owner who owns ten acres in Winfield Township wants to do a two-lot subdivision which would require by square footage, the dedication of two acres of that land to the county which would then make his total parcel eight acres. So, it's a difficult thing for me to see private property owners just transfer ownership to a government entity without there being some compensation. On the definitions on our roads, do they match federal definitions exactly? Because, one of the things you could run into with road definitions is if we do a project through NIRPC, that's a part of their transportation improvement plan, which is federally funded; and we don't have roads that are clearly defined within our own ordinances that match the federal definitions, we could run into some trouble with applying for federal grants for any sort of thoroughfare projects.

Plan Commission Director Ned Kovachevich: This comes before you with a unanimous recommendation of approval from the county plan commission. Its been a culmination of about a three-year project. We had a committee appointed initially and also had a consultant who basically wrote the document. At the last meeting he supported the need for the right of way dedications. However, Councilman Niemeyer is correct; We don't have a definitive plan that says which roads would be required to dedicate. So, my hope is that you adopt the ordinance today and give us the five or six months until October when it becomes effective, to propose any necessary amendments.

Lay made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to pass effective October 1, 2023.

Niemeyer: We could do a first reading approval with a note attached stating that it needs to go back to the plan commission for possible amendment.

Bilski: If we pass it as is, with an effective date as councilman Lay suggested then we have until October to get an amendment to change this before it comes into effect. Or if we just do one reading today, then it would have to be on the agenda in May for the second reading.

Kovachevich: If you don't amend it, it can't go to the plan commission.

Bilski: That's accurate but we could change that, again right? If you take that back over to Duane in Highway and he agrees with councilman Niemeyer on addressing the issue, you come up with an amendment to our attorneys for that and we would still have until October to do that correct?

Kovachevich: It's a much larger issue than just an amendment to the existing ordinance.

Bilski: But in the meantime, the rest of the plan doesn't suffer because were waiting on this one thing. We'd move forward and have progression.

Niemeyer: The plan wouldn't suffer even if we rejected it. A rejection doesn't mean that the effort dies it just means that it goes back to the drawing board to be reconsidered starting at the beginning of the process which is the plan commission.

Cid: I think we should pass it and then you can bring that amendment to us at another meeting.

Niemeyer: Once the legislation is adopted by this body, the plan commission, as an advisory board, can't recommend an amendment to us. We would have to make that amendment ourselves.

Bilski withdrew his second.

Cid seconded Lay's motion to pass effective October 1, 2023.

Lindemulder: Is there a reason this why it has to be done by October?

Niemeyer: This is necessary. Ninety-eight percent of this ordinance has really good clarity and it's very well developed. It has been fully vetted and worked on for three years. There's just a couple of things in it that I think need a little more clarity for defined purpose attached to it to make it a good piece of legislation that we could live with.

O'Donnell: If its not approved today on first and second reading, then we'll have to set it for another hearing that we would have to give notice of and the public will have a chance to come out and have their say. But in the background, that 90-day clock is ticking. So, we're going to be at 45 or 50 days by our next council meeting. Its not right for us right now to say here's how we want those 50-foot easements changed in the certain conditions. We have to give the plan commission very specific language and we don't have that language right now. It has to be vetted out. So, if the commission can vet that out, or this council can vet that out later, then we can say to the plan commission, would you please amend the ordinance. Then they would have hearings on amending the ordinance and then they would come back to the council.

Lindemulder: Personally, I don't like the idea of passing something and trying to change it later. I'd like have these concerns talked about at the plan commission. We can't we just reject it and send it back and then they can change it?

Cid: Councilman Niemeyer, where you at that vote? Because it was voted unanimously.

Niemeyer: I voted in favor to send it to this body because I understand that in order for the ordinance to even be considered to be amended, it still has to be done here. It had to get here to get this thing moving in that direction. That's the difficult part is getting it out of the planning commission after it was deferred four or five times. It needed to be in front of a legislative body so we could do exactly what we're doing here.

Motion to approve failed. Majority voted no. Lay, Cid and Brown voted yes. Motion to approve failed with 4-no, 3-yes.

More discussion was held.

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Lindemulder, to reject the ordinance as submitted, with specific instructions to the Plan Commission for review of legal definitions of roadways to make sure that they match the federal definitions and to clearly define the right of way acquisition portion of the ordinance as it relates to the types of developments, locations of developments and types of roadways; whether or not the right of way is actually needed for county use of ditch maintenance and roadway construction.

Majority voted yes. Lay and Cid voted no. Motion to reject the ordinance as submitted, with specific instructions to the Plan Commission for review of legal definitions of roadways to make sure that they match the federal definitions and to clearly define the right of way acquisition portion of the ordinance as it relates to the types of developments, locations of developments and types of roadways; whether or not the right of way is actually needed for county use of ditch maintenance and roadway construction carried 5-yes, 2-no.

In the Matter of Ordinance Approving the Action by the Park & Recreation Board of Lake County, Indiana to Establish the Cumulative Park Building Fund, A Non- Reverting Fund, Pursuant to I.C. 36-10-3-21

**Second Reading**

Niemeyer: I had asked Mr. Basala to work on a detailed list of capital needs that I would like to make record of that he had sent over via email with estimates for the year 2023 through 2027 of capital projects. The total cost for 2023 is \$1,468,000; 2024 is \$1,390,000; 2025 is \$1,450,000; 2026 is \$965,000; 2027 is \$2,050,000. These are just estimates as things do change. I think its important in the adoption of a tax rate that the record is clear that this has a purpose and that its going to serve the needs of the public and the entire county.

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Cid, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1482B**

**ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ACTION BY  
THE PARK & RECREATION BOARD OF  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA TO ESTABLISH THE  
CUMULATIVE PARK BUILDING FUND,  
A NON-REVERTING FUND, PURSUANT TO I.C. 36-10-3-21**

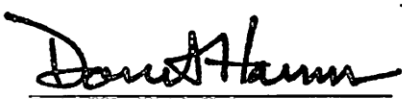



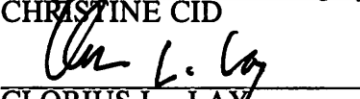
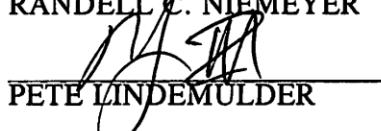
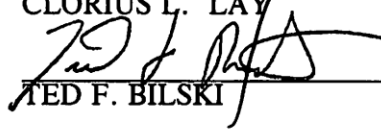
- WHEREAS,** pursuant to I.C. 36-2-3.5-5, the Lake County Council shall adopt ordinances to promote efficient County Government; and
- WHEREAS,** pursuant to I.C. 36-2-5-2(b), the Lake County Council shall appropriate money to be paid out of the County Treasury, and money may be paid from the County Treasury only under appropriation made by the County Council, except as otherwise provided by law; and
- WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council desires to establish by ordinance all funds within the County Treasury, from which appropriations and transfers require County Council approval; and
- WHEREAS,** on February 9, 2023, pursuant to I.C. 36-10-3-21, the Lake County Park & Recreation Board adopted a plan whereby a Cumulative Park Building Fund was established to provide for all uses as stated in I.C. 36-10-3-21;
- WHEREAS,** the Lake County Park & Recreation Board complied with all the requirements of I.C. 6-1.1-41 in establishing the Cumulative Park Building Fund; and
- WHEREAS,** Indiana Code 36-10-3-21(a) provides that in addition to the requirements of I.C. 6-1.1-41 the proposed action in establishing the Cumulative Park Building Fund must be approved by the fiscal body of the Lake County Park & Recreation Board; and
- WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council is the fiscal body of the Lake County Park & Recreation Board; and
- WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council approves the action of the Lake County Park & Recreation Board in establishing the Cumulative Park Building Fund and desires to create a Cumulative Park Building Fund, for the deposit of funds collected by a tax levy in compliance with I.C. 6-1.1-41 for the purposes as set out in I.C. 36-10-3-21.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the Lake County Council approves the action of the Park & Recreation Board of Lake County, Indiana in establishing the Cumulative Park Building Fund pursuant to I.C. 36-10-3-21.
2. That the Cumulative Park Building Fund, a non-reverting Fund, is established for the deposit of funds collected by the tax levy pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-41 to be used for the purpose as set out in I.C. 36-10-3-21.

- 3. That the Park & Recreation Board of Lake County, Indiana, shall adhere to the provisions of I.C. 36-10-3-21.
- 4. That the proposed Fund shall not exceed \$0.0167 on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation. Said tax rate will be levied beginning with taxes for 2023 payable in 2024.
- 5. That appropriations from the fund shall be subject to approval by the Lake County Council, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 6. Any money remaining in the fund at the end of the year shall not revert to the General Fund but continue in the Cumulative Park Building Fund, subject to appropriation by the Lake County Council, or as otherwise provided by law.

SO ORDAINED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

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Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Ordinance Approving an Additional Appropriation by the Crown Point Community Library from its Rainy-Day Fund, Fund 201-1006, Pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5, in the Sum of \$223,590.00

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve on First Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on First Reading carried 7-0.

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to Suspend Rules. Majority voted yes. Motion to Suspend Rules carried 7-0.

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1482C**

**ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL  
APPROPRIATION BY THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY  
LIBRARY FROM ITS RAINY DAY FUND,  
FUND 201-1006, PURSUANT TO  
I.C. 6-1.1-18-5, IN THE SUM OF \$223,590.00**

**WHEREAS,** the Crown Point Community Library (Library) has accumulated the sum of \$223,590.00 in its Rainy Day Fund, Fund Number 201-1006 (Fund); and

**WHEREAS,** the Crown Point Community Library desires to make an additional appropriation of \$223,590.00 from the Fund for Certain Capitol Projects; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5(k), the additional appropriation would result in the Budget for the Library for the 2023 calendar year increasing by a percentage that is greater than the result of the assessed value growth quotient determined under I.C. 6-1.1-18.5-2, for 2023 minus one (1); and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5, due to the additional appropriation exceeding the average growth quotient under I.C. 6-1.1-18.5-2 it is necessary to hold a public hearing on the proposed additional appropriation; and

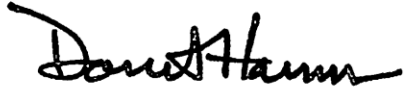





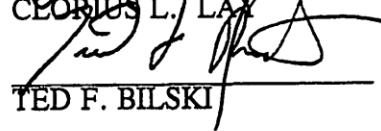
**WHEREAS,** pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5, the public hearing to consider the additional appropriation was properly advertised and held on April 11, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., by the Lake County Council, the fiscal and legislative body of Lake County in the Lake County Commissioners Court Room/Council Chambers in the Lake County Government Center located at 2293 N. Main Street, Crown Point, Indiana 46307.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5(k), the Lake County Council is the proper fiscal body to hold a public hearing on a proposed additional appropriation by the Crown Point Community Library, and to approve the additional appropriation requested.
2. That pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5, on April 11, 2023, the Lake County Council held a public meeting on the proposed additional appropriation of \$223,590.00 by the Crown Point Community Library from its Rainy Day Fund, Fund No. 201-1006.

3. That pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5, the Lake County Council now approves the additional appropriation of \$223,590.00 by the Crown Point Community Library from its Rainy Day Fund, Fund No. 201-1006, for certain capital expenditures.

SO ORDAINED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

 _____ DAVID HAMM	 _____ CHARLIE BROWN - President	 _____ CHRISTINE CID
 _____ RANDELL C. NIEMEYER		 _____ GEORGE L. LAX
 _____ PETE LINDEMULDER		 _____ TED F. BILSKI

Members of the Lake County Council



In the Matter of Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1430A, the Ordinance Establishing the Procedure to Approve Transfers within Major Budget Classifications or Series during the Calendar Year

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve on First Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on First Reading carried 7-0.

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to Suspend Rules. Majority voted yes. Motion to Suspend Rules carried 7-0.

Hamm made the motion, seconded by Bilski, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1430A-1**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1430A, THE  
ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURE TO  
APPROVE TRANSFERS WITHIN MAJOR BUDGET  
CLASSIFICATIONS OR SERIES DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR**

**WHEREAS,** on March 12, 2019, the Lake County Council adopted Ordinance No. 1430A, the Ordinance Establishing the Procedure to Approve Transfers Within Major Budget Classifications or Series During the Calendar Year; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council now desires to amend the Ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

Lake County Ordinance No. 1430A, the Ordinance Establishing the Procedure to Approve Transfers Within Major Budget Classifications or Series During the Calendar Year shall be amended as follows:


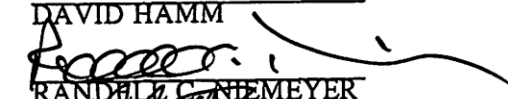



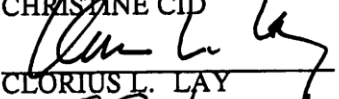
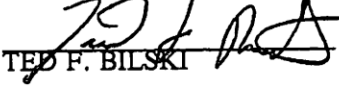
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- 4. Notwithstanding the above, transfers within the major budget classification or series, Personnel Services/100 Series, Supplies/200 Series, Services/300 Series, and Capital/400 Series, made in the fourth quarter of the calendar year shall come before the Lake County Council for approval, regardless of the amount.

**INSERT:**

- 4. Notwithstanding the above, only transfers within the major budget classification or series, Personnel Services/100 Series, Supplies/200 Series, Services/300 Series, and Capital/400 Series, made in the fourth quarter of the calendar year that are more than One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars shall come before the Lake County Council for approval.

SO ORDAINED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

 DAVID HAMM  RANDEL C. NIEMEYER  PETE LINDEMULDER	 CHARLIE BROWN - President	 CHRISTINE CID  CLORIUS L. LAY  TED F. BILSKI
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Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Ordinance Establishing the Lake County Employee Credit Card Policy Procedure

Cid made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve on First Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on First Reading carried 7-0.

Cid made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to Suspend Rules. Majority voted yes. Motion to Suspend Rules carried 7-0.

Cid made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1482D

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LAKE COUNTY  
EMPLOYEE CREDIT CARD POLICY PROCEDURE

**WHEREAS,** Indiana Code 36-2-3.5-3 provides that the Lake County Council is the fiscal and legislative body for Lake County, Indiana; and

**WHEREAS,** Indiana Code 36-2-3.5-5(b)(3) provides that the Lake County Council may pass all ordinances, orders, resolutions and motions for the government of the County in the manner prescribed by I.C. 36-2-4, et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS,** credit cards issued by and through Lake County Government are the property of Lake County Government; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to guidelines (the "guidelines") issued by the Indiana State Board of Accounts ("SBOA") the SBOA will not take exception to the use of credit cards by the County provided an employee credit card policy procedure ordinance is established and adopted; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council desires to adopt an ordinance establishing employee credit card policy procedures that conforms with the SBOA guidelines and best practices.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

USE OF CREDIT CARDS

**I. Procedure for Obtaining a County Credit Card.**

Upon application to and approval by the Lake County Board of Commissioners, a County official, officer or designated employee may become an authorized signer on a Lake County credit card whose issuance and use shall be handled by the County official, officer, or employee.

When the purpose for which the credit card was issued has been accomplished, the credit card must be returned to the custody of the designated responsible person.

Unless extraordinary circumstances are found to exist, only one (1) credit card will be issued to each County official, officer or department.

**II. Purposes for which Credit Card May be Used.**

Without the express prior approval of the Lake County Board of Commissioners, County credit

cards may only be used for the following purposes:

1. Travel expenses related to training, state-called meetings, symposiums, conferences and grant travel; and
2. "Emergency Conditions" under I.C. 5-22-10-4, when there exists, under emergency conditions, a threat to public health, welfare, or safety; and when delaying purchase of the requires supplies or services until after approval can be obtained at the next scheduled meeting of the Lake County Board of Commissioners would seriously impair the functioning of the using agency under I.C. 5-22-10-9.

### III. Prohibited Credit Card Uses.

The following uses for credit cards are specifically prohibited:

1. Public funds cannot be donated or given to charitable organizations or individuals;
2. Credit cards may not be used to bypass the accounting system;
3. Payment cannot be made on the basis of a statement or a credit card slip only. Supporting documents such as paid bills and receipts must be maintained and available;
4. Any interest or penalty incurred due to late filing or furnishing by an official, officer or employee will be the personal obligation of the responsible official, officer or employee unless specifically authorized by the Lake County Board of Commissioners for good cause shown;
5. Unreasonable or excessive costs must be avoided and may be the personal obligation of the responsible official, officer or employee;
6. Payments for goods or services which are not received and/or not authorized may be the personal obligation of the responsible official, officer, or employee;
7. Authorized signers must ensure that their purchases do not incur any State gross retail and/or use taxes pursuant to I.C. 6-2.5-5-16; and
8. Personal expenses.

### IV. Credit Card Limit.

The maximum credit card limit will be Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars unless the official, officer or department provides supporting information for a higher limit, which is subject to approval by the Lake County Board of Commissioners.

### V. Annual Fees.

An annual fee for the County credit cards is authorized by the Lake County Board of

Commissioners if approved by the County Auditor. The County Auditor shall submit a recommendation for selection of the credit card provider.

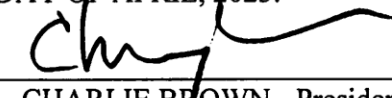
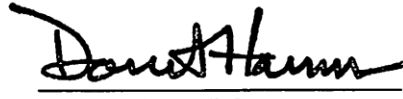
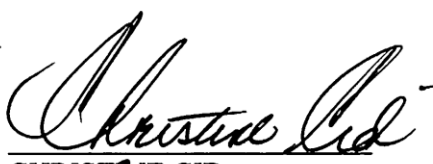



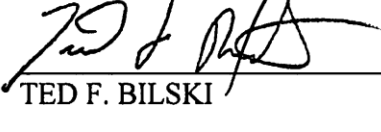
**VI. Accounting.**

The designated responsible official, officer or employee must maintain an accounting system or log which includes the names of individuals requesting usage of the cards, their position, estimated amounts to be charged, fund and account numbers to be charged, and date the card is issued and returned and any other documentation deemed necessary for the payment by the County Auditor. The designated official, officer, or employee shall be responsible to compare credit card purchases to the credit card policy set forth in this Ordinance.

**VII. Revocation.**

For good cause shown, including but not limited to, violation of this credit card policy, the Lake County Board of Commissioners may revoke any County credit card.

SO ORDAINED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

	 _____ CHARLIE BROWN - President	
 _____ DAVID HAMM		 _____ CHRISTINE CID
 _____ RANDELL C. NIEMEYER		 _____ CLORIUS L. LAY
 _____ PETE LINDEMULDER		 _____ TED F. BILSKI

Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Ordinance Establishing the Lake County Vendor Rebate Policy Procedure

Cid made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve on First Reading.

Niemeyer: What is going to happen with the people who have received their rebates for themselves up to this point? Is there anything that can be done about that or is it just moving forward?

O'Donnell: From now forward.

Niemeyer: So, there was no policy established before this?

Cid: No.

Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on First Reading carried 7-0.

Cid made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to Suspend Rules. Majority voted yes. Motion to Suspend Rules carried 7-0.

Cid made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve on Second Reading. Majority voted yes. Motion to approve on Second Reading carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1482E

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LAKE COUNTY  
VENDOR REBATE POLICY PROCEDURE

- WHEREAS,** Indiana Code 36-2-3.5-3 provides that the Lake County Council is the fiscal and legislative body for Lake County, Indiana; and
- WHEREAS,** Indiana Code 36-2-3.5-5(b)(3) provides that the Lake County Council may pass all ordinances, orders, resolutions and motions for the government of the County in the manner prescribed by I.C. 36-2-4, et. seq.; and
- WHEREAS,** purchases made by Lake County employees on behalf of Lake County Government may include rebates on the value of the purchase; and
- WHEREAS,** pursuant to guidelines (the "guidelines") issued by the Indiana State Board of Accounts ("SBOA") the SBOA will not take exception to the receipt of rebates by the County provided a rebate policy procedure ordinance is established and adopted; and
- WHEREAS,** the Lake County Council desires to adopt an ordinance establishing a vendor rebate policy procedure that conforms with the SBOA guidelines and best practices.

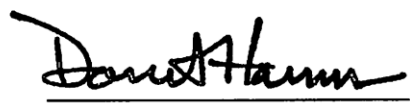
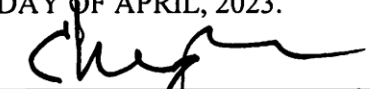

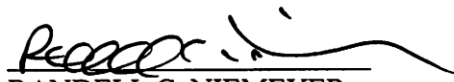
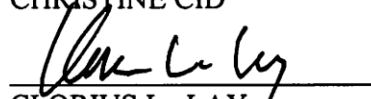

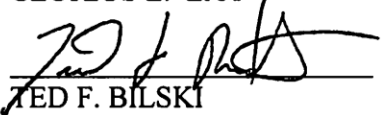
NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

RECEIPT OF REBATES

1. Any compensation, premium, bonus or product earned as a result of the purchase of goods or services by an employee or office holder on behalf of Lake County Government is the sole property of Lake County Government.
2. Any employee or office holder who comes into possession of any compensation, premium, bonus or product received as a result of a purchase made on behalf of Lake County Government shall immediately turn that rebate or item over to the appropriate County fiscal officer for deposit into the County Treasury or to be placed into service by the Lake County Board of Commissioners.
3. Any employee or office holder who fails or refuses to turn over that rebate or item shall be held personally liable to Lake County

Government for the value of the rebate or item.

SO ORDAINED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

 _____ DAVID HAMM	 _____ CHARLIE BROWN - President	 _____ CHRISTINE CID
 _____ RANDELL C. NIEMEYER		 _____ CLORIUS L. LAY
 _____ PETE LINDEMULDER		 _____ TED F. BILSKI

Members of the Lake County Council

In the Matter of Interlocal Governmental Agreement with the City of Crown Point

Niemeyer made the motion, seconded by Hamm, to approve the Interlocal Agreement as written. Majority voted yes. Lay was absent. Motion to approve Interlocal Agreement as written carried 6-0.

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**JOINT INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CROWN POINT, INDIANA AND LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE I65 CORRIDOR LOCATED IN CENTER TOWNSHIP, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA**

THIS JOINT INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CROWN POINT, INDIANA AND LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE I65 CORRIDOR IN CENTER TOWNSHIP (hereinafter referred to as this "Agreement") is made and entered into in accordance with Indiana Code §36-1-7, *et seq.*, as amended from time to time, by and between the CITY OF CROWN POINT, Lake County, Indiana, a Municipal Corporation, by its MAYOR as its executive and its CITY COUNCIL as its fiscal body (hereinafter referred to as "CROWN POINT"), and LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, a unit of local government, by its BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS as its executive and its COUNTY COUNCIL as its fiscal body (hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY").

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, CROWN POINT is a unit of local government located in Lake County, Indiana, with jurisdiction over real property located within the Municipal Corporate Boundaries of CROWN POINT; and

**WHEREAS**, COUNTY is a unit of local government located in Lake County, Indiana, with jurisdiction over certain real property located within the corporate boundaries of Lake County; and

**WHEREAS**, CROWN POINT and COUNTY have each been advised that the provisions of Indiana Code §36-1-7-1, *et seq.* (Interlocal Cooperation Act and referred to hereinafter as the "Act"), as amended from time to time, permit local governmental units and entities to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling governmental units to mutually contract and utilize services for the mutual benefit of the participating governmental entities; and

**WHEREAS**, CROWN POINT and COUNTY are political subdivisions empowered by the Act with authority to contract on behalf of each other on a basis of mutual advantage so as to better provide public services and facilities at a lesser cost; and

**WHEREAS**, CROWN POINT and COUNTY each seek to enter into a joint interlocal cooperation agreement based upon the terms and provisions of the Act, as amended from time to time, together, to provide for infrastructure improvements within the I65 Corridor hereafter referred to as the I65 CORRIDOR PROJECT; and

**WHEREAS**, CROWN POINT, and COUNTY have determined that entry into a joint interlocal cooperation agreement for the I65 CORRIDOR PROJECT is a public improvement in the best interests of the residents of CROWN POINT and COUNTY, and therefore, have determined that it is advisable to enter into and become a participating unit under such a joint



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interlocal cooperation agreement pursuant to the applicable provisions of State Law, as amended from time to time.

**COVENANTS**

NOW, THEREFORE, CROWN POINT and COUNTY, in consideration of the terms and conditions set forth herein, all of which are hereby acknowledged, do hereby agree as follows:

**SECTION 1: DURATION.**

The duration of this Agreement shall be from its effective date to completion and acceptance of the Project as defined herein.

**SECTION 2: PURPOSE.**

The purpose of this Agreement is to set forth and establish the responsibilities and obligations of CROWN POINT and COUNTY concerning the I65 CORRIDOR PROJECT.

**SECTION 3: EFFECTIVE DATE**

The effective date of this act shall be after the agreement has been signed by a majority of the elected officials of each party necessary to constitute an official act and a copy of the executed agreement is placed on record and filed with the Lake County Recorder.

**SECTION 4: PROJECT DEFINED.**

This Project is infrastructure improvements within the I65 Corridor that will improve public health and economic conditions which will benefit the citizens of Lake County, Indiana. *See attached Exhibit "A", Resolution No. 2022-95*

**SECTION 5: PROJECT FUNDING.**

COUNTY agrees to pay to CROWN POINT within thirty (30) days of CROWN POINT commencing the Project, the amount of TWO HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTH THREE DOLLARS and NO CENTS (\$212,143.00) to help fund the Project. This contribution of COUNTY is solely for improvement costs CROWN POINT will incur for the I65 CORRIDOR PROJECT improvement.

**SECTION 6: ADMINISTRATION AND AUTHORITY DELEGATION.**

A. This Agreement shall be administered as follows:

- 1) CROWN POINT shall contract with a company to perform all duties associated with the I65 CORRIDOR PROJECT. With the \$212,413.00 received from LAKE COUNTY, CROWN POINT shall pay its contractors

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for performing work associated with infrastructure improvements within the I65 Corridor.

- B. The CLERK-TREASURER OF THE CITY OF CROWN POINT, LAKE COUNTY is hereby designated to receive, disburse, and account for all funds pursuant to this Agreement.
- C. CROWN POINT shall supervise all work performed by its contractor as part of the project and determine if the work meets reconstruction standards.
- D. CROWN POINT shall contract with a company to perform the improvements and pay for all claims for supplies, materials, services or other expenses for the project.
- E. Because the COUNTY will have no supervisory responsibility for the work performed by the contractor employed by CROWN POINT, project, will not be in privity of contract with any person or company contracted by CROWN POINT to perform the work, and COUNTY'S only involvement during the improvements is to provide funding, the County of Lake and any and all of its elected officials, appointed officials, offices, departments, divisions, employees, to include those of the Lake County Highway Department shall not be liable for and CROWN POINT shall hold the aforementioned unit, bodies, and persons harmless from any loss or damage to any party that may occur from the start of the reconstruction to the completion of the project.
- F. The project will be deemed completed when CROWN POINT has accepted the work of their contractor and the COUNTY has certified to CROWN POINT that it has been completed.

**SECTION 7: ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS.**

No Party shall assign, delegate, or otherwise transfer its rights and obligations as set forth in this Agreement to any other entity.

**SECTION 8: AMENDMENTS.**

The terms of this Agreement may not be amended, supplemented, waived or modified without the prior written approval of all Parties.

**SECTION 9: FORCE MAJEURE.**

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, CROWN POINT and COUNTY, shall not be deemed in default or in breach of this Agreement to the extent it is unable to perform due to an event of Force Majeure. For the purpose of this Agreement, Force Majeure shall mean and include any act of God, accident, fire, lockout, strike or other labor dispute, riot or civil commotion, act of public enemy, failure of transportation facilities, enactment, rule, order, or act of government or governmental instrumentality (whether domestic or international and whether federal, state or local, or the international equivalent thereof), failure of technical difficulties, or

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any other cause of any nature whatsoever beyond the control of CROWN POINT and COUNTY, which was not avoidable in the exercise of reasonable care and foresight.

**SECTION 10: NOTICES.**

All notices required to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing, and deemed sufficient to each Party when sent by United States Mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered, to the following:

Mayor Peter Land Municipal Building 101 North East Street Crown Point, In 46307	Commissioner Mike Repay 2293 North Main Street Crown Point, In 46307	Councilman Charlie Brown 2293 North Main Street Crown Point, In 46307
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**SECTION 11: CAPTIONS.**

The captions and section designations herein set forth are for convenience only, and shall have no substantive meaning.

**SECTION 12: SEVERABILITY.**

In the event that any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or provision hereof is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement, and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 13: ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT.**

This Agreement represents the entire understanding between the Parties and supersedes all other negotiations, representations, or agreements, whether written or verbal, relating to this Agreement. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the Parties, and their respective assigns and successors in interest.

**SECTION 14: MATERIAL DISPUTE.**

The parties agree that CROWN POINT and COUNTY shall meet for resolution purposes. Thereafter, if the dispute is unable to be resolved, the Parties agree that the dispute will be governed by the laws of the State of Indiana in a court of competent jurisdiction. The Parties agree that each Party shall be responsible for its own attorney fees, absent any applicable provision of law to the contrary.

**SECTION 15: COUNTERPARTS.**

This Agreement shall be signed in counterparts and each of said counterparts shall be considered an original.

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**SECTION 16: RECORDING AND FILING.**

- A. Before this Agreement takes effect, it must be recorded with the Office of the Lake County Recorder.
- B. No later than sixty (60) days after it takes effect and is recorded, the Agreement must be filed with the Office of the State Board of Accounts for audit purposes all pursuant to I.C. §36-1-7-6.

**SECTION 17: PUBLIC ACTION AND RATIFICATION.**

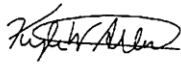

- A. Because there exists a situation where time is of the essence, the parties will have their respective elected officials sign the agreement to make it effective and then ratify it at a subsequent public meeting.
- B. To be effective with a retroactive ratification, the following must occur at a public meeting:
  - 1) The City Council as the fiscal body of the City of CROWN POINT, Lake County, Indiana, a Municipal Corporation.
  - 2) The Mayor as the executive of the City of CROWN POINT, Lake County, Indiana, a Municipal Corporation.
  - 3) The Lake County Council has the fiscal body of the County of Lake, Indiana.
  - 4) The Board of Commissioners as the county executive of the County of Lake, Indiana.


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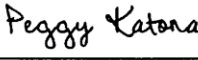
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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties, by their duly authorized Officials and Representatives have caused this Agreement to be executed this 22nd day of March, 2023.**


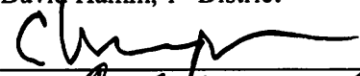
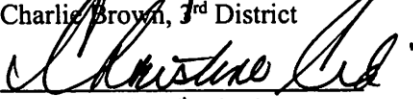
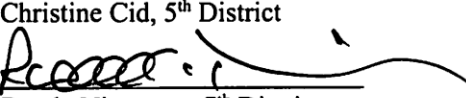
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

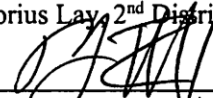
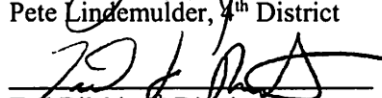
  
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Michael C. Repay, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

  
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Jerry Tippy, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

ATTEST:  
  
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Peggy Katona, Auditor

**LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
COUNTY COUNCIL:**

  
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David Hamm, 1<sup>st</sup> District  
  
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Charlie Brown, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
  
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Christine Cid, 5<sup>th</sup> District  
  
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Randy Niemeyer, 7<sup>th</sup> District

Absent:  
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Clorius Lay, 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
  
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Pete Lindemulder, 4<sup>th</sup> District  
  
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Ted Bilski, 6<sup>th</sup> District

Signed by Lake County Council on April 11, 2023

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties, by their duly authorized Officials and Representatives have caused this Agreement to be executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.**

**MAYOR CITY OF  
CROWN POINT, INDIANA:**

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Peter D. Land, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Dave Benson, Clerk-Treasurer

**CROWN POINT, INDIANA  
CITY COUNCIL:**

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Scott D. Evorik, At Large

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Zack Bryan, At Large

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Chad J. Jeffries, 1<sup>st</sup> District

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Dawn Stokes, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

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Andrew S. Kyres, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

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Laura J. Sauerman, 4<sup>th</sup> District

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Carol Drasga, 5<sup>th</sup> District

Acknowledgements: Councilman Brown sent condolences to the family of North Township Board Member Richard Novak whose wife, Marsha Novack, passed on April 8, 2023.

Public Comments:

Shirlene C. Olson resident of Crown Point and Crown Point Mayoral Candidate – I've been a resident of Crown Point for the past 23 years. I migrated from Texas and Military retired. I'm known in the community in a small cell but planting seeds to grow. My concern and interest of running for Mayor of Crown Point stands reason that I believe that I need to stay firm on commitment to the people. I find this meeting very informational and its also a connection to the community. I look forward to serving and continuing to serve. I'm not foreign to Gary, Indiana nor am I foreign to serving as a Hoosier recognizing the State of Indiana.

Emmett Mosley from Gary requested information on the demolition cost and locations for Gary, Indiana that were approved in March by the council.

Mosley was directed to receive a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding for Demolition Between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and the Gary Redevelopment Commission from the county council recording secretary in the Auditors Office.

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.

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President, Lake County Council

ATTEST:

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Peggy Holinga Katona,  
Lake County Auditor