

Randolph County Council

October 25, 2022

The Randolph County Council met for its regular meeting at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners and Council Room of the Courthouse with the following members present: Council President Gary Friend, Rick Brown, Tom Kerns, Max Holaday, David Lenkensdofer, Missy Williams and Beverly Fields. Also present was County Auditor Laura J Martin and County Attorney Meeks Cockerill.

Council President Gary Friend presided.

Pledge of Allegiance

Ordinance # 2021-16 LOIT Tax Increase

Gary said the only item on the agenda is the second reading of Ordinance 2021-16 for a LOIT tax increase.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-16 AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA MODIFYING LOCAL INCOME TAX RATES

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Randolph County, Indiana, that the following the Local Income Tax ("LIT") rates imposed within the County shall be modified in the following way:

Allocation Rate Category	Existing LIT Rate	New LIT Rate
Certified Shares (IC 6-.6-6)	1.25%	1.75%
Property Tax Relief (IC 6-3.6-5)	.50%	.50%
Public Safety (IC 6-3.6-6)	.25%	.25%
Economic Development (IC 6-3.6-6)	.25%	.25%
Special Purpose Rate (IC 6-3.7-7)	.25%	.25%
Correctional or Rehabilitation Facilities (IC 6-3.6-6-2.7)	.00%	.00%
TOTAL	2.50%	3.00%

The new local income tax rates proposed above shall become effective on January 1, 2021 and will remain in effect until modified by ordinance of the County Council.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a public hearing was be held on the proposed local income tax rate modifications on October 18, 2021. Proper notice was provided pursuant to IC 5-3-1.

Tom made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-16 on the second reading. Max seconded. Gary/Max/Missy/Tom aye. Dave/Rick/Beverly nay. Motion carried.

Missy said that Mrs. Grove, the Recorder came and talked to us during the budget hearings, she has requested before and we didn't act on it and didn't discuss it. She has two part time employees and she would like to put those into one full time employee. She's been told that the computer that she is having two part time people share, the IT guy has let her know that she shouldn't have anybody sharing computers. Which is pretty standard when your talking about logging in and logging off. She would cover most of the cost.

Gary said out of the Recorder's perpetuation?

Missy said yes.

Gary said this is basically the same thing she brought to the Council. Is there any reason why we can't get two computers'?

Laura said she doesn't have room for another desk in there. You talked to her about that. Did you go in and look at her office?

Missy said I did and she definitely doesn't have room. I think her concern is there are times with lunch and what not and on certain days that maybe she doesn't feel confident that the office can be ran affectively with a part time person.

Rick said didn't someone recently ask to put two-part times into one full time.

Tom said Jane did, she's asked that for a couple of years.

Rick said right, but there was somebody else, what did the Clerk ask for?

Gary said a raise in pay for one of her deputies because they weren't going to rehire.

Rick said they weren't going to rehire a position and a person was going to take on that extra work.

Gary said right.

Rick said it is kind of the same thing.

Gary said the hard part of that particular argument was what was that person doing before. I think the best thing for Jane is to see if the Council will reconsider. Come up bring her case forward again. It might be better heard at the next budget hearing. But it's up to the Council's will. I'm kind of at the mindset to leave it as is. I think we could probably find a way to get another computer.

Missy said I think her point is she feels like if she has to be gone to a meeting that her office with a part-time worker, it isn't covered as affectively as she'd like to see it.

Meeks said I know I told Tom at the last meeting when you pass and ordinance, I just want to explain the unanimous consent.

Gary said that would be good.

Meeks said other than for a certain additional appropriations and zoning issues. Unanimous consent of the members present is required to pass an ordinance on the same day or at the same meeting at which it

was introduced. So, if the three no votes all say yes pass an ordinance that could, I don't know why you would say no, then say yes, then say no.

Tom said we can say no, yes and then no?

Meeks said I know I told Tom that, so I pulled the code.

Tom said I didn't think you could have a three/four vote and then pass it.

Meeks said everybody would have to vote to suspend the rules, aye. And then you would have another vote.

Gary said on unanimous consent, you can't have unanimous consent if there are only five present members, you must have six.

Missy made a motion to suspend the rules and have the third reading by title only and adopt the same day. Max seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Max made a motion to have the third reading and adopt resolution 2021-16 increasing the LIT. Tom seconded. Tom voted yes, Dave voted no, Max voted yes, Gary voted yes, Rick voted no, Bev voted no, Missy voted yes. With 4 aye votes and 3 nay votes motion carried.

Cancel meeting of October 27, 2021


Max made a motion to cancel the Council meeting on October 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Rick seconded. All aye voted. Motion carried.

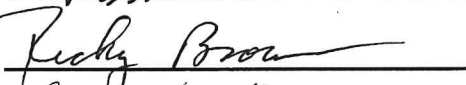
Adjournment


Rick made a motion to adjourn. Bev seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.


Reviewed and accepted this 8 day of February, 2022.


RANDOLPH COUNTY COUNCIL









ATTESTED:  _____
Laura J Martin, Auditor