

WHEREAS, certain extraordinary emergencies have developed since the adoption of the existing annual budget, so that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. **NOW THEREFORE**, to meet such extraordinary emergencies:

Sec.1. BE IT ORDAINED (RESOLVED) by the County Council of DeKalb County, Indiana, that for the expense of said municipal corporation the following sums of money are hereby herein specified, subject to laws governing the same:

		AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	VOTE AYE	NAY
<u>ADDITIONALS</u>					
<u>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</u>					
<u>(0500)</u>					
Operating Supplies (99.2213)	\$	500.00	<u>500.00</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>LOCAL HEALTH</u>					
<u>MAINTENANCE (0510)</u>					
Operating Supplies (99.2213)	\$	6,569.50	<u>6569.50</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>TOBACCO SETTLEMENT</u>					
<u>(0520)</u>					
Advertising (99.3334)	\$	4,000.00	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
Travel (99.3323)	\$	2,500.00	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
Purchase Of Vehicles (99.4461)	\$	15,000.00	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
Petroleum Products & Supplies (99.2221)	\$	1,000.00	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
Liability Insurance (99.3341)	\$	1,000.00	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
Motor Vehicle Maintenance (99.3361)	\$	247.66	<u>247.66</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>REASSESSMENT (0801)</u>					
New Construction (99.3405)	\$	20,000.00	<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>COUNTY USER FEE (0922)</u>					
Non-Budgeted Expenditures (99.5000)	\$	5,000.00	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>

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TRANSFERS

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COUNTY GENERAL (0100)Sheriff (5)From: Officer Equipment
(2230)To: Police Equipment
(4452)\$ 3,762.40 3762.40 7 0Information Systems (18)From: License Renewals
(3462)To: Employee Wages
(1114)\$ 6,000.00 6,000.00 7 0Jail (23)From: Laundry / Janitorial
(2227)To: Furniture & Fixtures
(4441)\$ 49.98 49.98 7 0Sunny Meadows (24)From: Laundry / Janitorial
(2227)To: Furniture & Fixtures
(4441)\$ 500.00 500.00 7 0REASSESSMENT (0801)From: Union Township Other
Services & Charges
(99.3001)To: Furniture & Fixtures
(99.4441)\$ 89.25 89.25 7 0From: Office Supplies
(99.2211)To: Computer Equipment
(99.4442)\$ 123.68 123.68 7 0

From: Postage (99.3322)

To: Furniture & Fixtures
(99.4441)\$ 451.92 451.92 7 0

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ADOPTED THIS 7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2005

NAY

AYE

B. Smaly

Robert L. Leland

David J. Price

Donald E. Van Wye

Prot Ordway

Larry Moughler

Keith G. Brown

ATTEST:

Sharon G. Hayes

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Secretary of Appropriating Body

COUNCIL MINUTES - FEBRUARY 7, 2005**MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**

Assessor Dottie Leins explained her request for additional appropriations of \$20,000 in reassessment monies for the new construction line item. The contract for evaluation of new construction calls for 600 parcels at \$24,000 which has already been budgeted, but any additional assessments will cost \$40 per parcel. Dottie feels that the additional \$20,000 will be sufficient to pay for the additional parcels for the remainder of 2005. A motion by Keith Crow to approve the additional \$20,000 for reassessment was seconded by Janet Ordway and carried with 6 votes. Councilman Wilder cast the only nay vote.

MATTER OF HEIDTMAN STEEL

At the January meeting representatives of Heidtman Steel Company presented a request to amend an abatement application. A new SB1 was submitted with changes in the legal descriptions and slight changes in the assessed values reflecting the land adjacent to the plant already in use, but in a different direction from the first plan. The change allows for purchase of a somewhat larger parcel of land, which will then allow for a bigger building to house a somewhat larger assembly line, thus increasing the assessed value and allowing for more jobs.

A five-minute recess was allowed for the abatement committee to discuss the amended SB1. Following the recess the committee gave a favorable recommendation for the abatement.

A motion by David Yarde to accept the amended Statement of Benefits was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

MATTER OF VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER

The commissioners introduced Brian Lamm the newly appointed veteran service officer. Brian spoke briefly to the council explaining his qualifications and background.

MATTER OF LOCAL OPTION HIGHWAY USE TAX - LOHUT

Councilman Smaltz opened the hearing at the advertised time and asked Commissioner Ort to introduce LOHUT, the subject for discussion. Council members were in receipt of an information packet provided by highway superintendent Patton, which outlined the decline of funding in both motor vehicle and local road and street areas. President Ort then explained that over the past 5 years highway funding from the state has been in sharp decline. Numerous highway projects and normal maintenance have been so curtailed that in several instances safety has become an issue. There is very little money to barely maintain roads by filling potholes let alone to resurface current roads or upgrade gravel road. The majority of funding is spent to maintain gravel roads and purchase sand and salt for use in inclement weather. The cost of all materials has increased, and striping projects are expensive, but extremely necessary for highway safety.

Discussion followed during which time councilman Yarde and Wilder stated that they were not in favor of any sort of new tax.

Councilman Smaltz then opened the meeting for public comment.

Elbert Evans of Evans Trucking Company in Butler denied licensing any of his 100 trucks or 300 trailers outside of Indiana. He stated that he has never requested a tax abatement of any kind, but just wishes to be allowed to make a living. He does not favor the tax.

Randall Deetz stated that he represents the Farm Bureau and feels that road growth has encouraged rural development which has increased traffic on the county roads. Mr. Deetz does not feel the wheel tax would be fair to farmers who use certain equipment during only part of the year.

Auburn City Councilman Mike Walters understands that the county must pay for growth, however, he feels that amending the CEDIT plan for highway funding is a far better use than the \$80,000 which has previously been earmarked for helping to support a new county economic development commission.

Former director of NIRCC Eli Samaan has worked within the transportation area in Allen County for 30 years. Mr. Samaan stated that pending legislation will not aid the lack of funding for local highway departments. Federal and state monies will be dedicated to the state corridors. Newly acquired grants for County Roads 427 and 11A will require matching funds of \$200,000 and \$300,000 respectively. The county does not want to lose the grants by not being able to provide the matching funds.

Hamilton Town Manager Bob Howard encouraged the adoption of LOHUT as a method given by the state to help counties improve roads.

Commissioner Kaufman stated that he had been told that Mr. Evans' trucks were licensed outside the state of Indiana, and apologized to the group if his statement was not factual.

Councilman Wilder commented with regard to the use of EDIT monies in cities and towns, and wonders if support for the wheel tax is based on these units wishing not to use EDIT monies for roads.

Auburn councilman Walters stated the Auburn has used CEDIT monies for water and sewage treatment plans although he personally does not agree with the CEDIT tax to begin with.

The hearing was closed to public comment at this time.

A motion by Robert Wilder to continue the public hearing to the first county council meeting following the adjournment of the current state legislative session was seconded by Keith Crow and carried unanimously.

MATTER OF MINUTES

A motion by Janet Ordway to approve the minutes of the January council meeting was seconded by Don Van Wye and carried

MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve all of the additional appropriations as requested for the health department (\$500 for operating supplies), Local Health Maintenance (\$6,569.50 for operating supplies) and \$23,747.66 in Tobacco Settlement Grant funds (\$4,000 for advertising, \$2,500 for travel, \$15,000 for vehicle purchase, \$1,000 for petroleum products, \$1,000 for liability insurance and \$247.66 for vehicle maintenance) was seconded by David Yarde and carried unanimously.

A motion by Keith Crow to approve an additional appropriation of \$5,000 in the User Fee Fund was seconded by Janet Ordway and carried.

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve the transfer of \$3,762.40 from officer equipment to police equipment was seconded by Don Van Wye and carried.

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve the transfer of \$6,000 from software licensing to employee wages was seconded by David Yarde and carried unanimously following discussion of Janet Ordway's concern of consideration for the correct use of the monies.

A motion by Keith Crow to transfer \$49.98 within the jail budget from laundry and janitorial to furniture and fixtures was seconded by Don VanWye and carried unanimously.

A motion by Keith Crow to transfer \$500 within the Sunny Meadows budget from laundry to furniture and fixtures was seconded by Larry Moughler and carried.

A motion by Keith Crow to transfer within the Reassessment budget \$89.25 from other services to furniture and fixtures and \$123.68 from office supplies to computer equipment for the union Township Assessor and \$451.92 from reassessment postage to furniture and fixtures was seconded by Janet Ordway and carried.

MATTER OF MEMORIAL RESOLUTION 2005-1 - ROGER STEBING

Councilman Wilder presented a memorial resolution for former councilman Roger Stebing. Following testimony to Mr. Stebing's service to the county, Robert Wilder asked to have the resolution inserted into the February 2005 council minutes. Mr. Wilder's motion was seconded by Larry Moughler and carried

**DeKalb County Council and Commissioners
Courthouse
Auburn, IN 46706**

Resolution No. 2005- R1
County Code: 4-1-3-23

Whereas, Roger W. Stebing, a faithful and wise public servant, passed from this life January 24, 2005,

Whereas, Roger W. Stebing distinguished himself in his service to the citizens of DeKalb County, Indiana during his twelve years as a DeKalb County Councilman-at-Large,

Whereas, Roger W. Stebing served as a member of the DeKalb County Plan Commission, the DeKalb County Redevelopment Commission, the Northeast Indiana Solid Waste District, the DeKalb County Hazardous Waste Committee, and The DeKalb County Fair Board,

Whereas, Roger W. Stebing served the agriculture and financial community of DeKalb County through his leadership with the Farm Bureau, DeKalb Financial Credit Union, DeKalb County Co op, and later DeKalb Agra,

Whereas, Roger W. Stebing was a good and faithful servant of God at Saint Mark's Lutheran Church,

Now Therefore Be it Resolved: That the DeKalb County Commissioners and the DeKalb County Council, recognizing the greatness of Roger W. Stebing, for a life of Loyalty and Service do now convey our condolences to his wife, Erma Jean, his son, Tom, his sister, Helen, his brother, Donald and other family members and cause this document to be a permanent record of the DeKalb County Code. And that we further direct that the flags at the DeKalb County Courthouse be flown at half-mast on January 25th, 2005 in memory of Roger W. Stebing.

DeKalb County Commissioners:

William C. Ort

William C. Ort, President*Connie R. Miles*

Connie R. Miles, Vice President*Don Kaufman*

Don Kaufman, Member

Attested By the DeKalb County Auditor

Sharon G. Hayes

Sharon Hayes, DeKalb County Auditor

DeKalb County Council:

Benjamin C. Smaltz

Benjamin C. Smaltz, President*Janet Ordway*

Janet Ordway, Vice President*Robert Wilder*

Robert Wilder, Member*Donald E. VanWye*

Donald E. Van Wye, Member*Larry Moughler*

Larry Moughler, Member*David Yarde*

David Yarde, Member*Keith A. Crow*

Keith A. Crow, Member**MATTER OF PETITION**

Councilman Robert Wilder presented a petition from a class at DeKalb Middle School to adopt the Monarch Butterfly as the official butterfly of Indiana and asked that all council members sign if they were so inclined.

MATTER OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

The council has received an invitation from the probation department to attend a meeting with the judges regarding probation issues.

Councilman Smaltz announced that the committee for central dispatch would meet with the commissioners at 10:00 am on February 14th.

Councilman Crow announced that a new agriculture agent Dave Holloway had been selected for the extension office

MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

A motion by David Yarde to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Robert Wilder and carried.