

BE IT REMEMBERED THE HENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF HENRY COUNTY, INDIANA, met in special session in the Courthouse Circuit Courtroom, in the City of New Castle, Indiana, on Wednesday, May 25, 2011, at 2:30 P.M., with the following members present: Nate LaMar, Richard Bouslog, Michael Thalls, Harold Griffin, Robin Reno-Fleming, Jeff Hancock, Steve Dugger and Joseph J. Bergacs, County Attorney.

Mr. LaMar, President, opened the meeting, followed by Mr. Dugger with the invocation and Mr. Bouslog leading in the Pledge to the Flag.

A motion was made by Mrs. Fleming and seconded by Mr. Hancock to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, held April 27, 2011. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. LaMar issued a county update for EIDD.

Penny York and Bob Grewe, representing EDC, updated Council members on the wind energy project, stating they had met with Horizon who was not interested at this time. Also discussed was the project at highway 3 and interstate 70, which had been delayed a week until mid June. Mr. Grewe discussed Ivy Tech locating in downtown and the Industrial Park.

Jan Pruez, representing the New Castle-Henry County Public Library, presented their capital projects plan for 2012. A motion was made by Mr. Thalls and seconded by Mr. Bouslog to approve the project plan as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

NEW CASTLE-HENRY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
LIBRARY CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN
2012-2014

The New Castle-Henry County Public Library is located in Henry County, Indiana and serves Jefferson, Prairie, Stoney Creek, Harrison, Blue River, Greensboro, Henry, Liberty, Franklin, Dudley, and Wayne (with the exception of the city of Knightstown) Townships. Knightstown, Fall Creek Township, and Spiceland Township have their own library systems. The New Castle-Henry County Public Library is located at 376 S. 15th Street in New Castle, Indiana.

The library board is composed of seven (7) members: two (2), Robert Harris and Nancy Renner, are appointed by the County Commissioners; two (2), Nancy Paul and Linda Madison, are appointed by the County Council; two (2), Ramona Hacker and Joyce Winchester, are appointed by the New Castle Community School Board, and one (1), Barbara Arford, is appointed by the Superintendents of Blue River Valley Schools, Charles A. Beard Schools, Shenandoah Schools, and South Henry Schools.

The library employs a total of twenty-four(24) full time and sixteen (16) part time employees, including the director, assistant director, administrative assistant, business manager, technical services head, adult reference librarian, fiction/audio visual manager, children's librarian,

bookmobile librarian, Indiana Room librarian, acquisitions/shipping/receiving clerk, systems technician, twenty-three (23) library assistants, and four (4) maintenance staff.

CURRENT ANNUAL BUDGET

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>	<u>Tax Rate</u>
Operating	\$1,899,040	\$1,015,149	0.0872
Bond Interest & Redemption	\$964,000	\$979,060	0.0841
Capital Projects	\$133,915	\$99,133	0.0080

CURRENT FACILITIES

Facility: New Castle-Henry County Public Library
376 S. 15th Street, New Castle, Indiana 47362

The original Carnegie building, known as the Ratcliffe Building, was constructed in 1916 and renovated in 1986. In 1976 a second building, known as the '76 Building, was constructed on two lots immediately adjacent to the original building. The two buildings were connected by an enclosed skywalk. A building project was completed in 2006 which merged the two buildings into one and added building space to increase the square footage from 28,000 to 73,000. This project renovated the old facilities and merged them with the new to provide excellent physical facilities. The current assessed value of the buildings and land is \$1,164,161,150.

LIBRARY SERVICE AREA

The library district covers 393 square miles serving a population of approximately 39,349 based on the 2000 census. The annual report, submitted in January 2011 reported 24,046 resident borrowers and 760 nonresident and reciprocal borrowers. The total patron visits during 2010 was 202,610. The library is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sundays from Labor Day through Memorial Day from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library collection includes 183,642 books, 14,828 video materials, 8,930 audio materials, 172 electronic format items, and holds 332 subscriptions.

LIBRARY CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND PLAN SUMMARY
NEW CASTLE-HENRY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

PROPOSED USE OF THE LIBRARY'S CAPITAL PROJECT PLAN

Budget year: 2012

<u>CURRENT EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
(1) Planned construction, repair replacement, or remodeling	\$0	\$0	\$0
(2) Site acquisitions	\$0	\$0	\$0
(3) Site development	\$0	\$0	\$0
(4) Emergency allocation	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
(5) Purchase, lease, repair and maintenance of equipment	\$21,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
(6) Purchase, lease, maintenance and repair of computer hardware and software	\$54,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
SUBTOTAL CURRENT EXPENDITURES	\$125,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
(7) Allocation for future projects	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND ALLOCATIONS	\$125,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
<u>SOURCES AND ESTIMATES OF REVENUES</u>			
January 1 cash balance	\$32,276	\$0	\$0
Less encumbered appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cash balance available for current plan	\$32,276	\$0	\$0
Property tax revenue	\$89,124	\$96,400	\$96,400
Auto excise and financial institution tax receipts	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600
Other (interest)	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN	\$125,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
The projected tax rate for the Library Capital Project Funds will be	0.0107	0.0082	0.0082
The projected tax rate is based upon an estimated assessed value of	\$1,164,161,150	\$1,164,161,150	\$1,164,161,150

Location: New Castle-Henry County Public Library

No funds have been set aside for the following areas:

- a) Planned construction, repair, replacement, or remodeling.
- b) Site acquisition.
- c) Site development.

January cash balance represents \$32,276 not spent on emergency allocation in 2011. An appropriation of \$21,000 is made for the purchase, lease, maintenance and repair of equipment – replace aging microfilm reader/printers and replace security cameras. An appropriation of \$54,000 is made for purchase, lease, maintenance and repair of computer hardware and software – replace public and staff printers; replace laptop computers; upgrade NAS hardware for disaster recover; licensing for integrated library system; and services of computer repair personnel. An appropriation of \$50,000 is made for emergency allocation.

Allocation of Future Projects:

No funds have been set aside for future projects.

Budget year: 2013

Location: New Castle-Henry County Public Library

No funds have been set aside for the following areas:

- a) Planned construction, repair, replacement, or remodeling.
- b) Site acquisition.
- c) Site development.

An appropriation of \$20,000 is made for the purchase, lease, maintenance and repair of equipment – bookmobile maintenance and repairs; HVAC maintenance and repairs. An appropriation of \$40,000 is made for the licensing of integrated library system and services of computer repair personnel. An appropriation of \$40,000 is made for emergency allocation.

Allocation of Future Projects:

No funds have been set aside for future projects.

Budget year: 2014

Location: New Castle-Henry County Public Library

No funds have been set aside for the following areas:

- a) Planned construction, repair, replacement, or remodeling.
- b) Site acquisition.

c) Site development.

An appropriation of \$20,000 is made for the replacement of copiers and aging phone system. An appropriation of \$40,000 is made for the replacement of staff computers and services of computer repair personnel. An appropriation of \$40,000 is made for emergency allocation.

Allocation of Future Projects:

No funds have been set aside for future projects.

Susan Lightfoot, Chief Probation Officer, informed the council Mike Cassidy was retiring from her department. She was requesting to hire 2 people at beginning salaries. She stated Mr. Cassidy's current salary is \$58,536, which is the top of the state minimum salary scale. She could hire two different people at a salary of \$29,268 and she would pay the extra \$5000 from her probation user fee funds, but the general fund would have to pay the benefits that go with the salaries. After some discussion a motion was made by Mr. Thalls and seconded by Mrs. Fleming to only allow the Probation department to hire one new probation officer at this time. Motion carried 6-0.

Brad Crowe, aviation board member, discussed with the Council the upcoming budget for the airport. The airport was requesting a total of \$56,000 for 2012. Currently the county has appropriated \$4500 for the airport to help pay for airport lighting. The increase was due to grant matches that needed to be paid for the new runway project. Mr. Crowe stated if the county wanted to complete the project than additional monies would be needed. After lengthy discussion a committee was formed of Mr. Bouslog, Mr. Hancock and Mr. Kim Cronk to further study the airport runway project and would report back at the June meeting.

August budget workshops were scheduled for August 9th, 10th, and the 16th if needed. The workshops would begin at 8:00 A.M.

A motion was made by Mr. Thalls and seconded by Mrs. Fleming to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Nate LaMar, President

Richard Bouslog, Vice President

Michael Thalls

Robin Reno-Fleming

Harold Griffin

Jeff Hancock

Steve Dugger

ATTESTED BY: _____
Patricia A. French, Auditor