



Delaware County Council

Meeting Minutes

January 28th, 2025

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Bookout, President Whitehead, Auditor Ed Carroll, Attorney, Mr. Ben Freeman

Questions from the public not in attendance may be directed to CountyCouncilDIST@co.delaware.in.us

Agenda Posted

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve the agenda.

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

Approval of the December 17, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve December 17, 2024 minutes

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

ABSTAIN; Councilmember Bookout

Approval of the January 2nd Council Special Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Councilmember Bookout made a motion to approve January 2, 2025 special council meeting minutes.

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

Transfer and Appropriation Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve 9214 Ball Brothers Grant transfer

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve 1135 Cumulative Bridge transfer

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 125 Clerk appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 126 Auditor appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

MOTION: Councilmember Hughes amended the request be split into separate appropriations.

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve 126 Auditor appropriation for \$15,000

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 126 Auditor appropriation for \$80,000

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

Council, Auditor Ed Carroll, Auditor Chief Deputy Tonya Dunsmore, and other department heads discussed the need for this position.

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to table 126 Auditor appropriation for \$80,000

SECOND: Councilmember Hughes

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 129 Sheriff appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve the 129 Sheriff's Major Transfer

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 1195/509 High Tech Crimes Unit appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 1180/239 Comp Plan Fund appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 1207 Unsafe Building appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 1150/254 appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve 1122/240 Project Income appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve 8199 Opioid Grant appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve 1131/218 Sales Disclosure Fund appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to approve 1216/694 Ineligible Standard appropriation

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to approve financial, transfers, and to amend salary ordinance with like reductions.

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

MOTION: Councilmember Hughes made a motion to Receive Backfilling Report

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance 2025-02 (Foundry Row Apartments) Pilot Agreement

MOTION: Councilmember Piper made a motion to introduce Ordinance 2025-02

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

Council and Ryan Kelly with TWG Pilot discussed the above ordinance and agreement.

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

Appointments and Committee Reports

President Whitehead informed council to be aware of council rules coming in an email.

New Business

Approval of 2025 Encumbrances

MOTION: Councilmember Hughes made a motion to approve 2025 Encumbrances

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

Elected Officials & Department Heads

Mr. Justin Curley with Purdue Extension presented council with the Annual Impact Report that the Extension Office does for the county. He reminded council of the annual meeting with Purdue Extension is on February 20, 2025 at the AMA.

Coroner Gavin Green gave his monthly update.

Sheriff Tony Skinner gave his monthly report.

Auditor Ed Carroll stated he would like to start a committee for upcoming financial plans/projects. The committee would have the Auditor, Treasurer, finance committee, and one commissioner. He suggested council place this in a resolution so this committee would meet once a month.

MOTION: Councilmember Bookout made a motion to have council draft a resolution for the above committee.

SECOND: Councilmember Flanagan

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

Public Comment

- *Members of the public who wish to speak to the Council at a meeting will be asked to sign in and will be called upon in the order in which their names appear. Others who did not sign up will be called upon after all who have signed in have been given the opportunity to speak. Public comments may also be submitted electronically or in writing at CountyCouncilDIST@co.delaware.in.us. It is the expectation that all public comments will be cogent, concise, respectful and be limited to three (3) minutes.*

Comments from Council

Councilmember Flanagan thanked the Highway department for their hard work on the roads.

Councilmember Hughes discussed the city of Muncie is embarking on a program of annexation. He also brought up that the general assembly may try to cut all property taxes.

Councilmember Piper also talked about the possibly of property taxes being cut.

Councilmember Bookout asked if there could be an update on the appointed positions.

President Whitehead also thanked the Highway Department for their hard work. He also thanked the Auditors office for the final budget books. He thanked Councilmember Hughes for working on the rules for council.

Adjourn

MOTION: Councilmember Flanagan made a motion to recess

SECOND: Councilmember Piper

YEAS; Councilmember Flanagan, Councilmember Hughes, Councilmember Mochal, Councilmember Bookout, Councilmember Piper, Councilmember Whitehead

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 25th, 2025 at 9:00 am