# **Ripley County Council Meeting**

May 19, 2025

Councilman President, Peg Ehlers, opened the County Council Meeting with the Pledge of the Allegiance. **Roll Call.** 

**Present:** Peg Ehlers, President, Stan Wiedeman, Andrew Decker, Ron Decker, David Tebbing, Stephanie Back, Diane Macek, Amy Copeland, Auditor & John Ertel, Attorney.

**Motion:** Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to approve the April 21, 2025 meeting minutes. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Stan Wiedeman, **Seconded by** David Tebbing. Motion passed 7 yes.

Transfers 2025						
Health	\$40,000.00	1161.11155.00000.0000 HFI/Mother & Child Specialist	1161.11603.00000.0000 HFI/Clinic Assit	Need to hire a clinic assistant. Already have a mother & child specialist. Changing job title and job description.		
Note:	Motion: Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to approve the above transfer, Action: Approve, Moved by Stan Weideman, Second by Stephanie Back. Motion passed 7 yes.					
Additional Appropriations						
Sheriff	\$1,695.00	2005.43815.00000.0000 K9 Donations/Canine		K9 training with bite suit.		
Note:	Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Andrew Decker, Second by Stephanie Back. Motion passed 7 yes.					
Commissioners	\$350,000.00	1112.36106.00000.0018 Edit/Building Maintenance		Clock Tower		
Note:	Motion: Councilman Tebbing made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by David Tebbing, Second by Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 7 yes.					

Commissioners	\$350,000.00	1186.36106.00000.0000 Rainey Day/Building Maintenance	Clock Tower	
Note:	Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Andrew Decker, Second by Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Sheriff & Commissioners	\$375,000.00	1233.36104.00000.0000 LIT Jail/Building Repairs	To upgrade video and control system	
Note:	Motion: Councilman Tebbing made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by David Tebbing, Second by Diane Macek. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Recorder	\$15,000.00	1189.32100.00000.0255 Recorders Perp/Bookbinding	Book scanner & computer to scan books in the Recorder's library	
Note:	Motion: Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Stan Weideman, Second by Diane Macek. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Recorder	\$5,000.00	1189.32100.00000.0255 Recorders Perp/Bookbinding	For book repairs in the library	
Note:	Motion: Councilman Tebbing made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by David Tebbing, Second by Stephanie Back. Motion passed 7 yes.			

## New Business:

## Shannon Schmaltz – Court Services

Mr. Schmaltz was in to talk with the Council about the purchase of a new van. He is wanting the funding to come out of the county general fund. The Council told him to put in the additional appropriation for the van. **Old Business:** 

The Council discussed budgets again. They have decided to go with a \$2,500.00 raise across the board and \$.75 for part time employees.

The Council also discussed the wheel tax. Attorney John Ertel stated he is going to get more information on this before decisions should be made.

## **Other Information**

## **Committee Reports:**

Economic Development – Andrew Decker SEI Regional Planning Committee – Diane Macek Solid Waste District - David Tebbing Grants Committee - Stan Wiedeman Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to Adjourn, Action: Adjourn, Moved by Andrew Decker, Seconded by Stephanie Back. Motion passed 7 yes.

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ATTEST:

Auditor, Ripley County

Amy Copeland