

# Ripley County Council Meeting

November 20, 2023

Councilman President, Peggy Ehlers, opened the County Council Meetings with the Pledge of the Allegiance.

**Roll Call.**

**Present:** Peggy Ehlers, President, Katie Bailey, Stan Wiedeman, Andrew Decker, Ron Decker, David Tebbing, Diane Macek, Amy Copeland, Auditor & John Ertel, Attorney.

**Motion:** Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to approve the October 16, 2023 meeting minutes, **Action:** Approved, **Moved by** Stan Wiedeman, **Seconded by** David Tebbing. Motion passed 7 yes.

<b>Transfers 2023</b>				
EMS	\$2,500.00	1151.35800.000.0055 EMS/Vehicle Maintenance	1151.25201.000.0055 EMS/Technology	Funds for paging service subscription
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman R. Decker made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Ron Decker, <b>Seconded by</b> David Tebbing. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Extension	\$70.00	1001.32200.000.0009 Cty Gen/Dues	1001.32700.000.0009 Cty Gen/Mileage-Fuel	To complete October Mileage for B Dwenger
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman Bailey made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Katie Bailey, <b>Seconded by</b> Ron Decker. Motion passed 7 yes.			
911	\$100.00	1222.32600.000.0045 State 911/Training	1222.29591.000.0045 State 911/Equip Maint	To cover annual plan, site licensed training
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman Tebbing made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> David Tebbing, <b>Seconded by</b> Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Park	\$3,500.00	1219.11350.000.0050 Park/Caretaker	1219.33380.000.0050 Park/Water	To cover the water bill until the end of year
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Stan Wiedeman, <b>Seconded by</b> Katie Bailey. Motion passed 7 yes.			

				increase in pricing
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman Macek made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Diane Macek, <b>Seconded by</b> Andrew Decker. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Sheriff	\$4,000.00	1001.13801.000.0070 Cty Gen/Overtime	1001.11205.000.0070 Cty Gen/Part-time	Part time employees have had to come full time employee due to FMLA
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman R. Decker made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Ron Decker, <b>Seconded by</b> Andrew Decker. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Sheriff	\$2,289.95	1001.28200.000.0014 Cty Gen/Inmate Medical	1001.33800.000.0014 Cty Gen/Prisoner Transport	Inmate from California that was transported back to Ripley County.
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman R. Decker made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Ron Decker, <b>Seconded by</b> Andrew Decker. Motion passed 7 yes.			
EMA	\$1,625.00	1001.47100.000.0016 Cty Gen/Building Improvement	1001.49000.000.0016 Cty Gen/Equipment	To pay for computer upgrade
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman Bailey made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Katie Bailey, <b>Seconded by</b> Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 7 yes.			
EMA	\$2,501.00	1001.26600.000.0016 Cty Gen/Communication	1001.49000.000.0016 Cty Gen/Equipment	To purchase equipment for SUV, EOC, Trailer, Drones
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Councilman Macek made the motion to approve the above transfer, <b>Action:</b> Approve, <b>Moved by</b> Diane Macek, <b>Seconded by</b> Katie Bailey. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Technology	\$6,408.00	1001.37206.000.0053 Cty Gen/Integration Partners	1001.29640.000.0053 Cty Gen/Software Upgrades	To update the current county firewall hardware and software.

**Note:**

**Motion:** Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Stan Wiedeman, **Seconded by** David Tebbing. Motion passed 7 yes.

**New Business:**

\*The Auditor brought up Encumbrances. The Council said to set the date of December 22, 2023 for the to be due.

\*Mr. Mark Roepke was in the Council meeting to introduce himself. He is a retired individual that may be interested in running for office.

\*The Council discussed hiring a firm to do a wage study for 2025. They are going to call a couple of firms to see if one will come and talk to the council about what their options would be.

\*The Council also discussed their options with putting money into the Rainy Day Fund at the end of the year. The current ordinance states 10% of appropriated funds that are not spent. The Council stated they would discuss more at the December meeting.

\*Councilman Ehlers brought up a letter that she received about LINK101. There was a small discussion on this.

**Old Business:**

\*The Council discussed the LIT public safety tax and the fire departments. At this point we are going to have to wait and see what the amount of money is that we are going to receive.

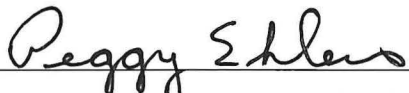
**Committee Reports:**

- Economic Development – Andrew Decker - none
- Technology Committee - Katie Bailey - none
- SEI Regional Planning Committee – Diane Macek - none
- Solid Waste District - David Tebbing - none
- Grants Committee - Stan Wiedeman – none

**Motion:** Councilman R. Decker made the motion to Adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Ron Decker, **Seconded by** Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 7 yes.

“AYE “

“NAY”



Peggy Ehlers, Council President

---

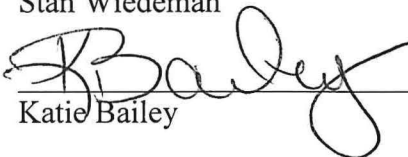
Peggy Ehlers, Council President



Stan Wiedeman

---

Stan Wiedeman



Katie Bailey

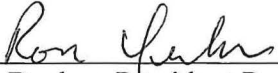
---

Katie Bailey



Andrew Decker

Andrew Decker



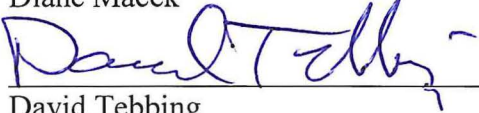
Ron Decker, President Pro Tem

Ron Decker, President Pro Tem



Diane Macek

Diane Macek



David Tebbing

David Tebbing

ATTEST:



Amy Copeland

Auditor, Ripley County

Amy Copeland