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AGENDA
LAPORTE COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
October 27th, 2025

(Please Turn Off All Cell Phones)
The Regular Meeting of the LaPorte County Council to be held on October 27th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. CT in the Assembly Room of the LaPorte County Government Complex, 809 State Street, LaPorte, IN 46350.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL - Auditor Michael Rosenbaum

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF September 22nd, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENT

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

LIAISON REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

**Public Hearing on Income Tax Ordinance #2025-10*

OLD BUSINESS

LaPorte County Treasurer, Dan Barenie, requesting permission to hire a bookkeeper replacement. (Held over from the September meeting)

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Solid Waste Budget

Approval of Hanna Township Budget

Approval of County Budget

Approval of LIT EMS

LaPorte County Highway Assistant Superintendent, Andrew Simmermeyer, and Project Manager, Andy Skwiat, attending to discuss the Franklin Street Bridge project. Requesting permission to spend/ appropriated from Cum Bridge (1135) and Major Bridge (1171) for the project. The amount requested, not to exceed $1.2 million to be taken from 2025 and 2026 budgets.

****Permission to Hire***

LaPorte County Building Maintenance director, Angela Davis, requesting permission to hire 2 full time maintenance positions.

LaPorte County Auditor, Mike Rosenbaum, requesting permission to hire full time tax sale clerk.

LaPorte County Highway Superintendent, Charity Glaser, requests permission to hire full time clerk/receptionist.

LaPorte County HR Director, Monique Thomas, requesting permission to hire assistant HR position.

LaPorte County Clerk of the Circuit Court, Heather Stevens, requests permission to hire replacement

APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, REQUESTS

Superior Court 4 $10,000.00
Magistrate John Link requested a motion of support
At the September Council meeting for psychiatric
Services. Motion was approved. Now asking for the
Additional Appropriation.

4220 Win Tax
1191 Riverboat

LaPorte County Recorder $6,200.00
Recorder Ella Bilderback is requesting an additional
Appropriation to cover the shortage in her payroll
Account resulting from the retrirement of staff member.
1000.10113.00000.0104

4220 Win Tax
1191 Riverboat

LaPorte County Sheriff
Sheriff Ron Heeg requesting permission $995.00
To spend/appropriate $995 for vehicle inspection
From 1208.20020.000.0567 to 1208.30120.000.0567

Sheriff Ron Heeg requestion an additional appropriation $120,000.00
$120,000.00 for inmate food
$40,000.00 for garage maintenance $40,000.00

1170 LIT Public Safety
1191 Riverboat

LaPorte County Maintenance $500,000.00

Requesting an additional appropriation
For Building Repairs ($23,000.00)
Water ($46,000.00)
Trash ($10,722.00)
NIPSCo ($415,000.00)

1191 Riverboat
1112 LIT Economic Development

LaPorte County Community Corrections
Merika Beatty, Director, requesting permission to close out
Horizon Bank Accounts #920 (balance $210.23) &
#572 (balance $29,193.75) and transfer balance to Project Income
Accounty #619.

Laporte County E 911 $30,000.00

Matt Deckard, Assistant Director, E 911
Requesting an additional appropriation for
Additional IT items.
From:
1170 LIT Public Safety
1191 Riverboat

LaPorte County Highway
Charity Glaser, County Highway Superintendent
Requesting motion of support for work on the Franklin
Street Bridge.

LaPorte County Surveyor
John Matwyshyn, Surveyor, requesting permission
To spend/appropriate fund 1202
Surveyor's Corner Perpetuation Fund
$13,500 for John Saylor's contract

LaPorte County Pioneer Cemetery
Sue Webster, Pioneer Cemetery, requesting a transfer
Of $48.56
From 2300.11007.00000.0260 to 2300.32034.00000.0260

LaPorte County Prosecutor
Sean Fagan, requesting a transfer
From fund #2500 to #2501.20021.000.0343
In the amount of $25,000 for "Law enforcement subscription services and equipment for LaPorte County based agencies."

LaPorte County Park and Rec
Jeremy Sobecki, Park Superintendent, permission to spend
$1,000 from 1179.05321.00000.0259 (Donations) for their
Reindeer/Santa event

LaPorte County FMEC $200,000.00
Discussion on adding $200,000 to Maintenance Budget for
Purpose of Fairground Improvements.
From: 1112 LIT Economic Development

LaPorte County Council
Councilman Randy Novak requesting that the Council give a
Motion of support (permission to spend/appropriate)
to grant Opiod funds to
W.A.I.R. (We All In Recovery)
1237.30120.00144.1017

LaPorte County Juvenile Probation $1,000.00
Requesting permission to spend/appropriate $500 from
2511.02061.000.0321 to 2511.20021.000.0321
And
$500 from 2511.02061.000.0321 to 2511.30120.000.0321

COUNCIL/ATTORNEY COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

EXAMINED & APPROVED BY THE LAPORTE COUNTY COUNCIL this 27th day of Ocotber, 2025.

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Councilman President Adam Koronka Councilman Justin Kiel

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Councilman Brett Kessler

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Councilman Mike Mollenhauer Councilman Jimmy Pressel

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Councilman Mark Yagelski

ATTEST: _____
Michael Rosenbaum, CPA, LaPorte County Auditor