

January 19, 2024

Newton County Council met for their regular scheduled meeting, which was rescheduled from January 12, 2024, at the Newton County Government Center in Morocco, IN. Those in attendance included Scott Carlson, David Atkinson, Matthew Gibson, Mick Vanderwall, Robert Churchill, and Tom VanVleet. Absent was Michael Mark. Also present were Auditor Tami James and Council Attorney Linda Harris

Scott Carlson called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag.

Board Reports

David Atkinson reported the Plan Commission has a meeting coming up on Tuesday about a new subdivision.

Minutes

No minutes to approve.

E911/EMA

Part time pay

Jim Large discussed with Council he would like to hire a part time E911 at years of experience versus the regular part time rate. Auditor James discussed with Council this would be opening us up for issues down the road. There was discussion on Pay Matrix and part time pays.

Tom VanVleet made a motion to make part time pay for E911 the same rate as a part time jail correction officer, second by Matthew Gibson.

There was discussion on this and whether this would help retain employees.

All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Matthew Gibson made a motion that allows the E911 Director to hire part time employees at years of experience, second by Mick Vanderwall.

There was discussion on how difficult this makes doing payroll.

Motion failed 1-5 with Scott Carlson, David Atkinson, Matthew Gibson, Robert Churchill, and Tom VanVleet voting nay.

There was more discussion on this topic.

Radio Project

Jim Large discussed with Council there was a meeting on this project. It was a very good meeting that opened up some eyes.

There was discussion on this topic and options they have.

Additional and Transfers

Drainage Board

Additional

\$600.00

2700.60571

Tom VanVleet made a motion to approve the Additional for the Drainage Board, second by Matthew Gibson. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Additional

\$393,017.82

4905.30900.063

Matthew Gibson made a motion to approve the Additional for the Drainage Board for contractual services, second by David Atkinson. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

There was discussion on Drainage Board needing another Additional next month.

EMS

Jeremy Kalizae, the new EMS Director, came to Council to introduce himself.

There was discussion on billing and report software.

There was discussion on cost increase.

There was discussion on staffing.

Other Matters:

Board Appointments

David Atkinson made a motion to reappoint Debbie Rossiter and to appoint Bri Styck replacing Rebecca Hillis to the Newton County Public Library Board, second by Matthew Gibson. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Robert Churchill made a motion to reappoint Tim Lohr to the Adult Education Board, second by Matthew Gibson. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Robert Churchill made a motion to appoint Stephanie Brown to the Community Services Board, second by Tom VanVleet. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Mick Vanderwall made a motion to reappoint Jason Cornell to the Morocco Economic Development Board, second by David Atkinson. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

There was discussion on the BZA Board Appointments.

Ordinance

There was discussion on the Salary Ordinance.

Matthew Gibson made a motion to approve the Ordinance Fixing Salaries and Wages, second by Mick Vanderwall. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Attorney Harris

Robert Churchill made a motion to retain Attorney Linda Harris to represent Council for 2024, second by Tom VanVleet. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Mileage Rate

There was discussion on mileage rates.

Tom VanVleet made motion to set the county mileage rate for the year at the rate of the Federal IRS at \$.67 per mile, second by David Atkinson. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

EMA

Matthew VanDrunen came to Council with proposals for the Enos building. There was discussion on this topic.

Highway

There was discussion on Community Crossings.

Robert Churchill made a motion to give authority to Scott Carlson to sign the Community Crossings Grant letter for the Highway Department, second by Mick Vanderwall. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.

Mick Vanderwall made a motion to adjourn, second by Robert Churchill. All in favor, motion passed 6-0.



Scott Carlson, President




David Atkinson, Vice President



Tom VanVleet




Michael Mark




Robert Churchill



Mick Vanderwall



Matt Gibson

Attest:


Tamra M. James
Newton County Auditor

**ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES AND WAGES
PAID TO NEWTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES**

2024


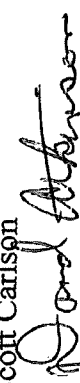


BE IT ORDAINED by the Newton County Council that in accordance with Public Law 231 of the Acts of the 1971 General Assembly, as amended by Public Law 118 of the Acts of 1972 General assembly, as amended by Public Law, Acts of 1973 General Assembly, (Burns 49-1074) the Salaries and Wages of all Officers, Deputies, Assistants and Employees with the purview of this law are hereby fixed by the Newton County Council, as shown by the list incorporated herein.




THIS ORDINANCE also fixes the number of Deputies, Assistants and other Employees for each Office, Department, Commission or Agency, except Part-time and Hourly rated Employees for which Employment shall be limited only by the rates of Salaries fixed and the Funds appropriated therefor.

The Salaries of elected officials shall not be changed in year for which fixed; except as may be required to provide a statutory minimum. The Salaries of other Officers, Deputies, Assistants and Employees or the number of each may be changed at any time pursuant to application of the affected Officer, Department, Commission or Agency and upon the affirmative vote of as many Councilmen as is required by law to pass an Ordinance of emergency appropriations.

Sheriff deputies receive probationary pay for 1 year.

- * Straight Time 40 Hours
- * Overtime over 40 Hours Per Week
- * Overtime Sheriff/Correction Officers/over 171 Hours with in 28 days
- * All full time salary employees will receive 26 equal pays for 2024
- * There will be 26 pays in 2024 effective for pay period 12/09/2023 to 12/22/2023 (paid on 01/05/2024) thru pay period 11/23/2024 to 12/06/2024 (paid 12/20/2024).
- * Newton County Policy Book covers Overtime & Holiday Pay

	Date
	1-19-2024
Scott Carlson	
	
David Atkinson	
	
Robert Churchill	
	
Matt Gibson	

	
Michael Mark	
	
Mick Vanderwall	
	
Thomas Van Vleet	



CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT – PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER
Form for Class I Libraries
State Form 31873 (R5 / 5-17)

INSTRUCTIONS: (See IC 36-12-2-18; IC 5-4-1-1,2; IC 5-4-1-4)
1. *Appointing Authority completes the "Appointment" section then delivers this Certificate of Appointment to the board appointee in person or by mail.*
2. *Within 10 days of receiving the Certificate of Appointment, the library board appointee must take the oath of office and ensure the "Oath of Office" section is completed. The oath may be administered by the circuit court clerk, a notary public, or anyone else authorized under IC 33-42-4-1 or IC 33-42-9-7 to administer oaths.*
3. *The library board appointee must file the completed Certificate of Appointment with the library and with the clerk of the circuit court of the county in which the library is located. The form must be filed with the clerk of the circuit court not later than 30 days after the board term begins.*

APPOINTMENT

I/We _____ **Scott Carlson** _____
Name(s) of Official(s)

_____ **President** _____
Title(s)

_____ **Newton County Council** _____ of _____ **Newton County** _____, Indiana
Name of Appointing Authority(ies) Municipal Corporation(s)

hereby certify that I/we have duly appointed _____ **Brianna Styck** _____ to the
_____ **Newton County** _____ **Public Library Board,**

said term beginning on the 31st day of _____ **January, 2024** and ending on the 31st day of _____ **January** _____, 2028.

This is a full 4-year term. - OR -
 This is a partial term to complete the unexpired term of _____ Name of Appointee Being Replaced

WITNESS, MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL, THIS 19th DAY OF January, 2024.

Signature of appointing official or attesting officer _____ (Additional line for signatures if joint appointment occurs)

OATH OF OFFICE

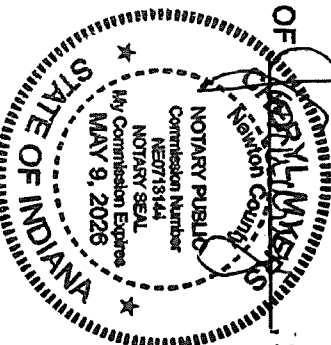
STATE OF INDIANA)
Newton) COUNTY) SS

I, the undersigned, do hereby solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Indiana and to the best of my ability will faithfully, impartially, and diligently discharge the duties and accept the responsibilities of a member of the Library Board of the NEWTON COUNTY Public Library, and that I will observe and obey all the laws relating to said office now in force or which may hereafter be enacted during my term of service.

BRIANNA STYCK _____
Name of Appointee _____ Signature of Appointee

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO ME THIS 24th DAY OF January, 2024.

Signature
Cheryl Myers _____
Printed Name
Notary Public _____
Title



If the person administering the oath is a notary public, add the county of residence and date of commission expiration.
County of Residence Newton County Date Commission Expires May 9, 2026

**Budget for 2024
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more than was appropriated in the annual budget;
 NOW THEREFORE:
 SECTION 1. BE it ordained by the Newton County Council, Newton County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the taxing unit the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

NAME OF FUND	DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	SCOTT CARLSON	DAVID ATKINSON	ROB CHURCHILL	MATT GIBSON	MICHAEL MARK	MICK VANDERWALL	TOM VANVLEET
2700 Drain Maintenance		65071 Beaver Creek Ditch	600.00	600.00				PAID	Absent		M
Total			600.00	600.00							
4905 Landfill	063 Drainage Board	30900 Contractual Services	393,017.82	393,017.82		PAID		M	Absent		
Total			393,017.82	393,017.82					Absent		
Grand Total			393,617.82	393,617.82							

Adopted January 12, 2024

<p><u>AYE</u></p> <p><i>Scott Carlson</i> Scott Carlson</p> <p><i>David Atkinson</i> David Atkinson</p> <p><i>Robert Churchill</i> Robert Churchill</p> <p><i>Matthew Gibson</i> Matthew Gibson</p> <p><i>Absent</i> Michael Mark</p> <p><i>Michael Vanderwall</i> Michael Vanderwall</p> <p><i>Thomas VanVleet</i> Thomas VanVleet</p>	<p><u>NAY</u></p> <p>Scott Carlson</p> <p>David Atkinson</p> <p>Robert Churchill</p> <p>Matthew Gibson</p> <p>Michael Mark</p> <p>Michael Vanderwall</p> <p>Thomas VanVleet</p>
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