

President Larry Hesson called the special meeting of the Hendricks County Council to order at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 29, 2012 with the following in attendance: Larry Hesson, Nancy Johnson, Jay Puckett, Dick Thompson, Nate Woods, Auditor Cinda Kattau and Financial Administrator Tamela Mitchell. President Larry Hesson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON THE
PROPOSED INCREASE IN THE WHEEL/SUR TAX**

Larry Hesson explained to the audience that this special meeting was held to consider an amendment to the current wheel/sur tax. He stated that pursuant to state statute a second hearing must be held if the first public hearing vote was not unanimous. President Hesson asked for comments from the audience. Mr. Bill Guarnery, taxpayer in audience, voiced his support for the Council members voting against the increase in the wheel/sur tax. John Ayers, County Engineer, explained that there were no solutions forthcoming from the state to increase revenues for the highway. Mary Benson, taxpayer in the audience, stated she does not believe a wheel/sur tax is equitable. Nathaniel Woods made the motion to approve Resolution 2012-18. Nancy Johnson seconded the motion. Dick Thompson discussed the decrease being due to better gas mileage and less gas consumption. President Hesson reminded everyone that the county's ability to get additional funding from the state is controlled by the General Assembly. President Hesson believes we must exercise the tools we have to raise additional funds. Jay Puckett encouraged fellow members to vote no. Mr. Puckett stated he did not think that the amount of funds raised by the increase would not make a significant difference. He did not believe lowering the need for road replacement by twenty years is worth the increase in the tax. Mr. Puckett stated he believes the because of state of the economy it is not a good time to increase the wheel/sur tax. Nathaniel Woods stated he realized that tax increases are not popular, but believed the county must take a proactive approach to repairing and repaving roads. Ms. Johnson believed the county roads must be maintained. Motion passed 4-1, with Jay Puckett dissenting.

There being no further business, Mr. Woods moved to adjourn at 9:20 a.m. Jay Puckett seconded the motion and motion passed 5-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-18

HENDRICKS COUNTY COUNCIL

AMENDED EXCISE SURTAX & WHEEL TAX

WHEREAS, PL 10 – Acts 1980 Section (IC 6-3.5-4) authorizes the County Council to impose, by ordinance, a local annual Excise Surtax of (not less than 2% or more than 10% or a flat fee of not less than \$7.50 or more than \$25.00) on each motor vehicle subject to the annual excise tax registered in the county and,

WHEREAS, PL 10 – Acts 1980, Section 5 (IC 6-3.5-5) authorizes the County Council to impose by ordinance, a local option annual Wheel Tax of (not less than \$5.00 or not more than \$40.00) on each of 6 (six) classifications of motor vehicles not subject to the excise tax, registered in the County, and

WHEREAS, PL 10 – Acts 1980, Section 4 and 5 (IC 6-3.5-4&5) requires that the local option Excise Surtax and local option Wheel Tax be imposed concurrently, and

WHEREAS, Hendricks County and the Cities and Towns in Hendricks County have experienced a severe shortfall in Gasoline Tax Funds needed to support the safe, all-weather operation of the road and street system in Hendricks County,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA THAT.

1. Beginning January 1, 2013, and until further amended by ordinance, all passenger cars, trucks of less than 11,000 pounds G.W., and motorcycles registered in Hendricks County, that are now subject to an excise tax shall also be subject to an annual excise surtax of \$25.00 to be paid with the registration of said motor vehicle.
2. Beginning January 1, 2013 and until further amended by ordinance, all of the following six classes of motor vehicles, registered in Hendricks County shall be subject to an annual Wheel Tax as set out in the following schedule, to be paid with the registration of said vehicles.

MOTOR VEHICLE CLASSIFICATION

ANNUAL WHEEL TAX

(A)	Buses	\$25.00
(B)	Recreation Vehicles	\$25.00
(C)	Semi-Trailers	\$25.00
(D)	Tractors	\$25.00
(E)	Trailers	\$25.00
(F)	Trucks	\$25.00
(G)	Recovery Vehicles (16,000)	\$25.00
(H)	Recovery Vehicles (16,000 +)	\$25.00

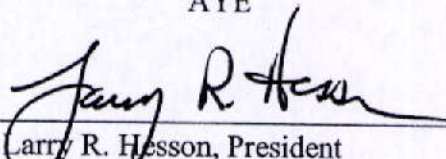
As provided by PL 10 – Acts 1980, (IC 6-3.5-5-4), the following motor vehicles are exempt from the annual Wheel Tax:

1. Vehicles owned by the state, a state agency or a political subdivision.
2. Buses owned and operated by a religious or non-profit youth organization and used to haul persons to religious service or for the benefit of their members.
2. Vehicles subject to the annual excise surtax imposed under IC 6-3.5-5-4.

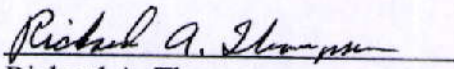
Beginning January 1, 2013, all of the Excise Surtax and Wheel Tax collected on motor vehicles registered in Hendricks County shall be distributed, as provided in PL 10 – Acts 1980, to the County, City and Town Units of Hendricks County by the County Auditor and shall be used only to construct, reconstruct, repair, or maintain streets, roads and bridges under their jurisdiction.

Adopted by the Hendricks County Council this 29th day of June 2012.

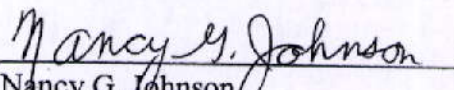
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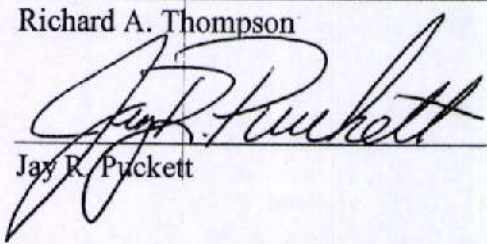

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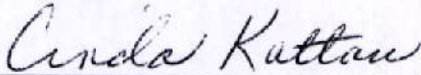


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Attest:



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