

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LAPEL TO ESTABLISH A NEW FUND FOR THE PAYMENT OF A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

WHEREAS, the Town of Lapel recognizes the importance of providing a safe and secure environment for students, staff, and visitors within the Frankton-Lapel School Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lapel has agreed to provide a School Resource Officer (SRO) to the Frankton-Lapel School Corporation to enhance security and build positive relationships between law enforcement and the school community; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a specific fund to receive payments from the Frankton-Lapel School Corporation for the purpose of compensating the School Resource Officer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LAPEL, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Establishment of the School Resource Officer Fund

- A. There is hereby created a fund to be known as the "School Resource Officer Fund" (hereinafter referred to as the "Fund").
- B. The purpose of the Fund is to receive and manage payments from the Frankton-Lapel School Corporation specifically for the compensation, training, equipment, and other related expenses of the School Resource Officer assigned to the Frankton-Lapel School Corporation.

Section 2: Revenue and Deposits

- A. All payments received from the Frankton-Lapel School Corporation for the purpose of compensating the School Resource Officer shall be deposited into the Fund.
- B. The Fund may also receive grants, donations, and other contributions designated for the purpose of supporting the School Resource Officer program.

Section 3: Disbursements

- A. Funds shall be disbursed from the Fund solely for expenses related to the School Resource Officer program, including but not limited to salary, benefits, training, equipment, and other operational costs.
- B. Disbursements from the Fund shall be made in accordance with the usual and customary financial procedures of the Town of Lapel.

Section 4: Fund Administration

- A. The Fund shall be administered by the Town Clerk-Treasurer, who shall ensure that all receipts and disbursements are properly accounted for and reported.

B. An annual report detailing the receipts, expenditures, and balance of the Fund shall be provided to the Town Council and made available to the public.

Section 5: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Town Council of the Town of Lapel, Indiana.

Section 6: Severability

If any section, clause, sentence, or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any parts thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Lapel, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2024, by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ against.

Chad Blake

Brian Robertson

Lindsay Washmuth

Gary Shuck

Roger Fouse

Attest:

Teresa Retherford, Clerk-Treasurer