

ORDINANCE NO. 2009- 8

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FORT BRANCH,  
INDIANA, FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF THE  
ELECTED OFFICIALS AND ALL APPOINTED  
EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT BRANCH,  
INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1 :** The compensation of the **Council President** is fixed at \$7,800.00 per year, and the **Council Members** salary is fixed at \$7,200.00 each per year. Said compensation is to be paid monthly on the last pay period of the month with equal amounts from the General Fund, Water and Sewer Utilities. The Council president shall receive \$650.00 per month minus deductions. Each Council member shall receive \$600.00 per month minus deductions.

**Section 2:** The compensation of the **Clerk-Treasurer** is fixed at \$31,247.31 per year, said compensation is to be paid biweekly. The compensation is to be paid by the following departments: 50% to be paid by the General Fund, 25% to be paid by the water department, and 25% to be paid by the sewer department. This is a salaried position.

**Section 3:** The compensation of the **Deputy Clerk Treasurer** is fixed at a rate no less than \$8.50 per hour and not more than \$13.34 per hour, said compensation to be paid biweekly. The compensation is to be paid by the following departments: 1/3 to be paid by the General Fund, 1/3 to be paid by the water department, and 1/3 to be paid by the sewer department. This position is an hourly paid position.

**Section 4:** The compensation of the Attorney of the Town of Fort Branch is fixed at \$6,000.00 per year, said compensation to be paid monthly with equal amount from the General Fund, Water and Sewer departments. Attorney will bill Town.

**Section 5:** The compensation for the **Town Marshal** of Fort Branch is fixed at a rate of no less than \$26,696.67 per year and not more than \$35,320.67 per year payable by the General Fund, said compensation is to be paid bi-weekly. The compensation of the **Chief Deputy Town Marshal** of the Town is fixed at a rate of no less than \$24,605.09 per year and not more than \$33,229.09 per year payable by the General Fund, said compensation is to be paid bi-weekly. The compensation of the **Deputy Town Marshal** and additional Marshals is fixed at a rate of no less than \$21,645.88 per year and not more than \$30,269.88 per year and payable by the General Fund, said compensation is to be paid bi-weekly. No additional compensation is to be paid to the Town Marshal or the First, Second, or additional Deputies under Section 9 herein. Each

Marshal shall work a designated shift and shall be subject to call to duty in case of an emergency. There shall be no more than five Reserve Police Officers, who are volunteers and shall work as determined by the officer in charge. The reserve officers shall receive a clothing and equipment allowance as set out in Section 6 below, and the reserve officers shall receive no other compensation. These positions are salaried positions.

**Section 6:** Clothing and equipment allowance for each full time Marshall is fixed at \$100.00 per month, payable by the General Fund. The clothing and equipment allowance shall be paid directly to the vendor. Any amount not used at the end of the year shall be payable to the full time officer and reported on the full time officers W2 as income. The clothing and equipment allowance for each reserve officer is fixed at \$100.00 per month, payable by the General Fund. The clothing and equipment allowance shall be paid directly to the vendor. What allowance that is not used at year end, the reserve officer will lose. Each new full time Marshal and each new reserve police officer shall be allowed an initial clothing and equipment allowance of \$260.50 paid directly to the vendor.

**Section 7 (A) :** The compensation for the **hourly workers** is fixed as follows:

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| Class 1 (part time labor) | a minimum of \$6.99 per hour and a maximum of \$10.30 per hour payable 50% from MVH, 25% Water, 25% Sewer |
| Class 2B(full time labor) | a minimum of \$7.97 per hour and a Maximum of \$11.87 per hour Payable 1/3 MVH, 1/3 Water, 1/3 Sewer      |

**Section 7 (B) :** Said wages payable from Motor Vehicle Highway, Water & Sewer Departments. Said compensation to be paid bi-weekly. For the purpose of this section a full time worker shall be a worker engaged in an average of forty (40) hours per week or more and a worker who is hired with the anticipation that said worker will remain an employee of the Town indefinitely. The Council Members of the Town of Fort Branch shall designate which class an employee will be paid and also what department shall pay them. This position is paid hourly.

**Section 8:** The compensation for the **Full Time Certified Water Operator (Supervisor)** is fixed at a rate of no less than \$25,000.00 per year and no more than \$42,259.97 per year payable out of the Town of Fort Branch Water Operating Fund, said compensation will be paid bi-weekly. The Certified Water Operator/Supervisor hours shall be set at forty (40) hours per week. This is a salaried position.

**Section 9:** The compensation for the **Full Time Certified Sewage Treatment Plant Operator (Supervisor)** is fixed at a rate of no less than \$25,000.00 per year and no more than \$33,474.42 per year payable out of the Town of Fort Branch Sewer Operating Fund, said compensation will be paid bi-weekly. The Certified Sewage Treatment Plant

Operator/Supervisor hours shall be set at forty (40) hours per week. This is a salaried position.

**Section 10 :** The **Supervisor** of the Street Department, Sewer, Water and Park compensation is fixed at a rate of no less than \$25,000.00 per year and no more than \$32,014.53 per year. Said compensation to be paid bi-weekly from 25% Park, 25% Motor Vehicle Highway Fund, 25% Water Operating Fund, and 25% Sewer Operating Fund. The Supervisors hours shall be set at 40 hours per week. This is a salaried position.

**Section 11:** The **Group Leader** of the Street Department & General Maintenance is fixed at a rate of no less than \$8.50 per hour and no more than \$13.00 per hour. The said compensation to be paid bi-weekly from 1/3 Motor Vehicle Highway Fund, 1/3 Water Operating Fund, and 1/3 Sewer Operating Fund. The Group Leader's hours shall be set at 40 hours per week. This position is an hourly paid position.

**Section 12:** The compensation of the **Part Time Utility Clerk** is fixed at a rate of no less than \$7.88 per hour and no more than \$12.75 per hour, payable bi-weekly in equal amounts by the Water and Sewer Operating Funds. Part time office help compensation is fixed at a rate of no less than \$6.99 per hour and no more than \$8.62 per hour, payable bi-weekly in equal amounts by the Water and Sewer Operating Funds. This position is an hourly paid position.

**Section 13:** The compensation for the **Part Time Park Labor** is fixed at a rate of no less than \$6.99 per hour and no more than \$10.30 per hour, said compensation to be paid bi-weekly out of the Park Fund. This position is an hourly paid position.

**Section 14:** The **Custodians** compensation is fixed at a rate of \$250.00 payable monthly on the last pay period of the month out of the park fund. The custodian's compensation shall be subject to the normal payroll and withholding taxes.

**Section 15:** All regular full time employees shall be given five (5) working days vacation upon completion of one (1) full year of service (after probationary anniversary) Ten (10) working days vacation shall be given upon completion of three (3) full years of service, and 15 working days vacation upon completion of ten (10) full years of service. Twenty (20) working days vacation upon completion of eighteen (18) full years of service. Thirty (30) days vacation upon completion of Twenty-Five (25) full years of service. Vacation days must be taken and cannot accumulate. Vacation days must be approved by the department head and reported to the payroll officer.

- a. Any new hire will need to work for one (1) full year of service from date of hire (probationary anniversary date) before vacation will be received.

**Section 16:** All town employees shall receive holiday pay for the following

holidays: NEW YEAR'S DAY, GOOD FRIDAY, MEMORIAL DAY, INDEPENDENCE DAY, LABOR DAY, VETERAN'S DAY, THANKSGIVING DAY, THE DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING, CHRISTMAS EVE, CHRISTMAS DAY, PRIMARY MAY ELECTION AND ELECTION DAY.

**Section 17:** All regular full-time employees shall receive four (4) sick days per year with pay after one full year of service (after probationary anniversary). Unused sick leave benefits will be allowed to accumulate until the employee has accrued a total of ten (10) calendar day's worth of sick leave benefits. If the employee's benefits reach this maximum, further accrual of sick leave benefits will be suspended until the employee has reduced the balance below the limit. Sick leave benefits are intended solely to provide income protection in the event of illness or injury of ones self or a family member that resides in the employee's household and may not be used for any other absence. Unused sick leave benefits will not be paid to the employees while they are employed or upon termination of employment. Paid sick leave can be used in minimum increments of one hour. Sick days must be recorded by the department head to the payroll officer.

a. Sick days for new hire will be given after 90 day period of probation anniversary date.

**Section 18:** All regular full-time employees shall receive six (6) personal days per year with pay. Unused personal days will NOT be allowed to accumulate. Paid personal days can be used in increments of one hour. Personal days must be recorded by the department head to the payroll officer. Personal days will not be paid to the employees while they are employed.

a. Personal days for new hire will be given after 90 day period of probation anniversary date.

**Section 19:** Any additional leave time for either salary or hourly employees beyond the permitted sick, vacation, and personal leave days will be unpaid. No more than 3 unpaid days will be permitted in a year without personal leave of absence being requested. (See Employee handbook for further details.)

**Section 20:** All employees of the water, sewer and street departments will be provided uniforms payable by the town directly to the vendor. Employees are to wear street clothes to work and change into work clothes once clocked in. Employees are expected to change back into street clothes before returning home after shift is completed. Lockers will be provided.

**Section 21:** The employee of the Street Department or Water or Sewer Utility who has weekend duty will be given one half (1/2) day off for weekend duty performed. The half (1/2) day must be taken on the Friday of the weekend duty time and cannot be accumulated. If the employee of the Street department or Water or Sewer Utility with weekend duty works more than four (4) hours during such weekend duty with the

approval of the supervisor, then the employee shall be entitled to compensated time for all work in excess of four (4) hours as provided above.

**Section 22:** Health, life and disability insurance coverage shall be available to all full-time employees of the Town of Fort Branch. The cost to the employee will be \$1.00 per year.

**Section 23:** AFLAC and Western Southern Insurance will be made available at the employees cost and deducted from their paychecks. The town will pay no premium.

**Section 24:** Public Employees' Retirement Fund will be made available to Police, Water, Sewer and Street full time employees and deducted from their paychecks. A mandatory three (3%) percent contribution will be withheld from the employee's wages on a biweekly basis. The Town's contribution rate is set by the state. For the 2009 year the rate has been set at 6.5% of the gross salary. Eligible full time employees must have one full year of service from date of hire (probationary anniversary date). The contribution will be paid from the funds in which the employee is paid.

**Section 25:** Mileage shall be reimbursed to employees and elected officials when their own personal vehicles are used for town business at the state mileage rate. The compensation will be made from the applicable fund.

**Section 26:** The Town will no longer provide any employees with cell phones. Instead, the following employees will be paid a cell-phone stipend each month beginning June 1, 2009, as follows:

Town Marshall	\$27.00
Chief Deputy Marshall	\$27.00
Deputy Town Marshall	\$27.00
Water Superintendent	\$27.00
Sewer Superintendent	\$27.00
Street Superintendent	\$27.00
Street Group Leader	\$20.00
Clerk Treasurer	\$20.00
Custodian	\$10.00

The stipend will be paid with the last payroll of each month, and payroll taxes will be taken out on the stipend.

**Section 27:** All employees of the Town of Fort Branch are subject to the Town of Fort Branch Personnel Handbook and all revisions and amendments thereafter.

**Section 28:** All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Section 29:** This ordinance shall be in force and effect beginning January 1, 2010.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Council of the Town of Fort Branch, Indiana, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.

**COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT BRANCH, INDIANA**

*Warren Fleetwood*

WARREN FLEETWOOD, PRESIDENT

*Larry Holder*

LARRY HOLDER, COUNCILMAN

*Adam Bledsoe*

ADAM BLEDSOE, COUNCILMAN

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

*Stacy H. Elpers*

STACY ELPERS, CLERK TREASURER

