

Hancock County Council
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM
 111 American Legion Place
 Greenfield, Indiana 46140
 October 14, 2015

8:30 a.m. in accordance with the rules of the Council.

ATTENDEES	Bill Bolander, Randy Sorrell, Debbie Bledsoe, Tom Roney, John Jessup, Jim Shelby. Kent Fisk-absent
	Also attending, County Attorney, Ray Richardson, Deputy Auditor Ginny Martin and Auditor Robin Lowder

Minutes

Meeting was opened with Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence

In the Matter of Tax Abatements)

Public hearing was opened regarding the Confirming Resolution abatement for the company “Foamcraft”

No public comment.
 Public hearing closed.

Skip Kuker, Economic Development Executive Director and John Davis, Attorney appeared before Council.

Councilwoman Bledsoe made a motion to approve the Resolution for Foamcraft; motion was seconded by Councilman Sorrell. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

Skip Kuker, introduced a company CMC Maxwell also known as “Project Stone”. The first reading of the company’s tax abatement was presented. Confirming Resolution and public hearing will be held on November 12, 2015 at 8:30 am.

**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
 HANCOCK COUNTY COUNCIL**

The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioners’ Court of the Hancock County Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana on the 14th day of October, 2015 at 8:30 am in a regular meeting in accordance with the rules of the Council.

The meeting was called to order by President William Bolander, who presided. On call of the roll the members were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present

William Bolander
Jim Shelby
John Jessup
Tom Roney
Debbie Bledsoe
Randy Sorrell

Absent

Kent Fisk

President William Bolander opened the meeting to a public hearing on Ordinance Number 2015-9B, entitled “An Ordinance of Hancock County, Indiana , Appropriating The Proceeds of The General Obligation Bonds of 2015”, which ordinance was introduced at the Council meeting of September 9, 2015.

President Bolander asked if there was anyone present who would like to be heard on the matter.

Public comment was heard.

There being no more persons desiring to be heard, President Bolander closed the public hearing.

President Bolander stated that the final action on Ordinance Number 2015-9A would be in order.

Council member John Jessup moved to adopt Ordinance Number 2015-9A entitled “An Ordinance of Hancock County, Indiana, authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of said County for the purpose of providing funds to be used for the renovation and additions to the: (i) Hancock County Jail; (ii) Hancock County Courthouse; (iii) Hancock County Courthouse Annex; (iv) Hancock County Memorial Building; (v) Hancock County Emergency Operation Center; (vi) Hancock County Prosecutor’s Office; (vii) Hancock County Extension Office Building; and (viii) Hancock County Highway Buildings, together with all necessary appurtenances and related equipment and the costs of issuance of bonds therefore”

The motion was seconded by Council member Debbie Bledsoe and 2015-9A passed on the following vote:

In Favor:

William Bolander
Jim Shelby
Tom Roney
Debbie Bledsoe
John Jessup
Randy Sorrell

Opposed:

Kent Fisk-absent

President Bolander announced that Ordinance Number 2015-9A had been duly passed and adopted.

President Bolander stated that final action on Ordinance Number 2015-9B would be in order.

Council member John Jessup moved to adopt Ordinance Number 2015-9B entitled “ An Ordinance of Hancock County, Indiana, Appropriating The Proceeds of the General Obligation Bonds of 2015”, which ordinance was introduced at the Council meeting of September 9,2015.

The motion was seconded by Council member Randy Sorrell and passed on the following vote:

In Favor:

William Bolander
Jim Shelby
Tom Roney
Debbie Bledsoe
John Jessup
Randy Sorrell

Opposed:

Kent Fisk-absent

President Bolander announced that Ordinance Number 2015-9B had been duly passed and adopted.

In the Matter of the Adoption of the 2016 County Budget)

Councilman Shelby made a motion to adopt the 2016 Hancock County Budget; motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of the Adoption of the 2016 Solid Waste Management District Budget)

Councilman Jessup made a motion to adopt the 2016 Solid Waste Management District Budget; motion was seconded by Councilman Sorrell. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Health Department)

Crystal Baker, Office Manager appeared before Council to request the replacement of a nurse who has left County employment. Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the replacement of a nurse; motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 5-0 motion passed. Note*Councilman Sorrell stepped out of the meeting during the vote.

In the Matter of the Inter-local Agreement with McCordsville)

Susan Bodkin, Surveyor appeared before Council to present the Inter-local with The Town of McCordsville with an update on the Inter-local. Another regulated drain has been added. It is here for Council to approve and sign. Councilman Roney made a motion to approve the Inter-local with the Town of McCordsville; motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote was (5) in favor with Councilman Sorrell abstaining since he is currently on the Drainage Board. Motion passed.

In the Matter of Prosecutor)

Deputy Prosecutor appeared before Council on behalf of Prosecutor Eaton, requesting the replacement of a Legal Assistant for Circuit Court. Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve replacement of employee, motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Additional Appropriations)

Councilman Bolander opened public hearing for the requests for the following additional appropriations:

- Court Reform Grant-\$10,000
- ADA Drug Screen Fund-\$11,000
- VOCA Grant-\$46,862
- Bids/Bonds/Deposit Fund-\$3,000

No public comment.

Public hearing closed.

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve all the additional appropriations, motion was seconded by Councilman Sorrell. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Clerk)

Marcia Moore, Clerk appeared before Council to request purchase a file cabinet for public access. Does she need to go to Commissioners since it is a capital purchase? She doesn't have the money in her CCD budget. Clerk needs to get on Commissioners agenda. Clerk also requested that Auditor be approved to advertise the Court Reform Grant. Council approved the Court Reform Grant additional appropriations.

In the Matter of Highway Budget Transfer)

Gary Pool, Highway Engineer appeared before Council to request a budget transfer in the Highway fund 1176 as follows:

1176.13000.000.0530----\$100,000

1176.12500.000.0530----\$80,000

1176.12100.000.0530----\$8,400

\$188,400

Budget Transferred to 1176.23000.000.0530 Road Improvement/Lohut

In the Matter of E911 Raise for Supervisors)

John Jokantas, E911 Director was unable to appear before Council regarding his request he had presented to the Budget Committee. Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow a \$1,000 raise to the (3) Dispatch Supervisors to be transferred from the Deputy Director line item. The motion as seconded by Councilman Jessup, motion passed. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Sheriff Department)

Brad Burkhart, Sheriff Department appeared before Council to request a budget transfer in LOIT-Public Safety fund 6004 from Fuel line item 6004.22105.000.0000 to Inmate Meal line item 6004.39401.000.0000 and Building Maintenance 6004.36800.000.0000. Brad is not sure of the exact amount but will provide to Auditor.

In the Matter of the Budget Committee)

Councilman Shelby reported the following items:

- Department Heads/Commissioners/Council has made it possible for strong cash balances at this point.
- FSG reported that Income Tax is going down. Moving forward to the 2016 budget that was passed, knowing that revenue will be lower. But the shortfall will be taken from the cash balances.
- \$500,000 contribution to road maintenance is going to take another \$500,000 per year for at least (7) years. Balances will decrease.
- Brad Armstrong, John Jokantas and Councilman Shelby met with the mayor regarding the City contribution of E911 for 2016. Per an Inter-local Agreement between the City and the County they will be contributing \$280,000 scaled back for 2016. City wants to scale back to \$0 contribution each year after. A legislative change will be discussed to increase the LOIT-Public Safety specifically designated to

E911.

- For 2016 the Commissioners are working out an agreement to provide a Health Clinic for employees. It is currently in a preliminary stage. They are working with Hancock Regional Hospital.
- Request for Resolution from Commissioner and Council to increase the Food & Beverage Tax by 1% with the revenue from the increase to go toward the 4-H Fairground project. Bob Cherry will then introduce for legislation in 2016. This will allow the Council to potentially raise the tax.

Councilman Shelby introduced Resolution. Councilman Shelby then made a motion to adopt the Resolution; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Commissioners Budget)

Auditor, Robin Lowder on behalf of Commissioners, requesting a budget transfer from Group Insurance to Utilities and Building Maintenance line items in the amount of \$35,000. Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the transfer, seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Auditor's Tax System)

Councilman Sorrell made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-10-7 to allow the Tax System to move forward for 2016. Motion was seconded by Councilman Roney. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

Resolution No. 2015- 10-7

A COUNTY COUNCIL RESOLUTION COMMITTING TO
PURCHASE A PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM IN 2016

WHEREAS, the Hancock County Auditor and Treasurer require a new property tax system,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the County Council hereby commits to fund a new property tax system in 2016 and hereby encourages the Auditor and Treasurer to prepare the specifications for such system.

Adopted this 14 day of October, 2015.

Hancock County Council

Will A Bolander

Thomas E Roney

J. Shelby

Attest: Bob D. French
Hancock County Auditor

[Signature]

Debra Bledsoe

Quentin L. Small

In the Matter of Council 2016 Meeting Schedule and Budget Meetings)

Councilman Roney made a motion to approve the 2016 schedule, motion was seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of June and September Minutes)

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve the minutes for June and September minutes, motion was seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of the Pauper Counsel)

Councilman Bolander read a letter of request from John Apple, Public Defender Board, requesting an additional appropriation in the amount of \$90,000 for a shortfall in 2015.

Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the Auditor to advertise additional appropriation in (2) funds. The Rainy Day fund 1186 and the Supplemental Public Defender fund 1200. The motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Solid Waste Management)

Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the Inter-local with SWMD. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

Auditor, Robin Lowder, explained how we were doing the 27th pay on October 23rd. And requested a new office chair for the Commissioners courtroom to come out of the Council meeting line item. Council agreed.

Councilman Jessup made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 6-0 motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED THIS DATE:	December 9, 2015
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ATTEST: HANCOCK COUNTY AUDITOR	