

Hancock County Council

JUNE 8, 2016

8:30 AM

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COURTROOM
111 American Legion Place
Greenfield, Indiana 46140

MEETING CALLED BY	Council Vice President Tom Roney
	The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioner Court in the Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana, on the 9 th day of June 2016 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in accordance with the rules of the Council.
ATTENDEES	Randy Sorrell Kent Fisk and Debbie Bledsoe, Tom Roney, Jim Shelby & John Jessup. Bill Bolander was absent
	Also attending, County Attorney, Ray Richardson, Deputy Auditor Ginny Martin and Auditor Robin Lowder

Minutes

Vice President, Tom Roney, opened the Council meeting in the absence of Councilman Bolander.

Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

In the Matter of Tax Abatement)

Skip Kuker, Director Economic Development and an Enerdel representative appeared before Council to report on the current status of the business. Enerdel is not in compliance of their CF-1 due to the number of employees that they originally agreed to hire. The original CF-1, they agreed to hire 1,193 employees. In 2015 there were 40 plus employees down to 5 employees. The business plan has been restructured and they have moved toward the transit business. In trying to keep the business alive they have consolidated to the Marion County location and no longer reside at the Mt. Comfort facility.

Councilman Sorrell made a motion to begin the proceedings to terminate the tax abatement for Enerdel due to non-compliance. And, with the interest to the County, this would allow another company to move into the building. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 6-0 motion passed. Attorney Ray Richardson will begin the proceedings.

In the Matter of Highway)

Gary Pool, Highway Engineer appeared before Council to report on the Federal Grant he is applying for. Councilman Shelby requested Auditor advertise \$1,000,000 for a Federal match amount.

Gary has a new hire for Joe Hollis in the amount of \$45,000. And requesting to give Timi Wood an additional \$2,300 for additional administrative duties.

In the Matter of Additional Appropriation)

Vice President Roney opened the public hearing for the additional appropriation approval for Cumulative Bridge and Sheriff Department.

No comment

Public Hearing closed

Councilman Fisk made a motion to approve the Cumulative Bridge additional appropriation in the amount of \$15,000 for Bridge 93 and \$15,000 for Bridge 91. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby, vote 6-0 motion passed.

Councilman Fisk made a motion to approve the additional appropriation in the amount of \$75,000 for the Sheriff Department to be used for the moving of inmates to other counties for overcrowding purposes of our Jail. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby, vote 6-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Health Department)

Dr. Aspy, Health Officer appeared before Council requesting additional appropriation, to be used from a grant for the Nurse to take on additional duties. This is a budget transfer not an additional to the fund.

Councilman Shelby made a motion to move money into the PERF and FICA line item from contractual services. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe, vote 6-0 motion passed.

Regarding Misty Moore leaving from Bio-Terrorism. Health Department is requesting that Crystal Baker take on the responsibility that Misty had previously done, paid from the grant in the amount of \$18,500 in addition to her regular salary. This would be 10-15 additional hours a week.

John Priorie commented on this situation, regarding (1) employee working 2 jobs within the County. John feels this is very problematic to the County tax payers.

Councilman Shelby advised that Health Department needs to run this by the Commissioners since it is a policy issue.

In the Matter of the Budget Committee)

Councilman Shelby reported the following:

- Marcia needs upgrades on election equipment for approx. \$125,000 and to come from Food & Beverage. Auditor advised Council, that the Clerk wants to wait until after the public meeting regarding the vote centers. Additional machines may be needed. Councilman Roney tabled until Marcia comes in.
- Prosecutor needs (1) full-time and (1) part-time due to the new e-filing Odyssey scanning project. \$70,000 per year added to budget for 2017.
- The new hires for 2017 as follows;

Maintenance Person \$45,000
EMA-Misty Moore new salary \$57,000
Prosecutor F/T and P/T \$70,000
Clerk \$30,000
Narcotics Officer Investigator \$100,000 to a (3) year program and to be funded by Rainey Day.
Network Administrator \$65,000
- We are over approximately \$300,000
- Probation-part-time positions
- 2% there are employees that do not receive this amount. The Probation Department each year receives a mandated raise.
- Any other mandated salaries do not receive the 2% raise
- The goal for 2017 general fund budget is \$11,500,000

Councilwoman Bledsoe had to leave meeting at 9:30 am

In the Matter of Prosecutor)

Brent Eaton, Prosecutor appeared before Council reporting on the Inter-local Agreement with Cumberland and the Investigator's take home

vehicle. Council signed the Inter-local in agreement. Councilman Sorrell made a motion to approve the Inter-local with Cumberland; motion was seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Other items were the request for a full-time and part-time person for 2017. Once again explaining the e-filing process. The request is immediate to go ahead and hire the new employees by July 1st.

Commissioner Stevens interjected the conversation to let Council know that the recommendation will be made at the budget hearing allowing Prosecutor to hire (1) full-time and (1) part-time person to begin in July for the E-filing project.

Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow the increase in personnel and appropriate the total expense \$35,000 from Food & Beverage for that purpose. Motion was seconded by Councilman Fisk. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

An amendment to the Salary Ordinance will be prepared to be signed at the Budget meeting, per County Attorney, Ray Richardson.

Council break

In the Matter of Probation Office)

Wayne Addison appeared before Council in regards to the Mental Health Certification as a State Provider that they have received. They have applied for DMHA and are eligible to get reimbursements from the State. Probation is working with Community Corrections, Prosecutor and Sheriff along with a heroin protocol. And to establish that the money comes back to the County and what fund it goes to. Recovery Works is set aside by the State and they set reimbursement rates for assessment. Probation submits the vouchers and County is reimbursed. Probation is looking to hire (2) part-time people. One for Juvenile Division and one for Adult Probation.

In the Matter of Mental Health Partners)

Jeff McClarnon, Attorney appeared before Council to discuss the issue of mental health problems in our jails. Jeff reported many problems with the current system and hopes to begin discussions and a change.

In the Matter of the Minutes for April)

Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the minutes as written; motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Enerdel)

Councilman Sorrell made a motion to begin the proceedings to remove the Tax Abatement on Real Property, for the non-compliance of Enerdel at Mt. Comfort. County Attorney, Ray Richardson will begin the proceedings. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby, vote 5-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of the LOIT Special Distribution Transfer)

Auditor reported that the Council didn't vote on the 25% LOIT Special Distribution that is the County share is moved to Rainy Day. Councilman Jessup made a motion to allow the transfer; motion was seconded by Councilman Sorrell. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED THIS DATE:	August 10, 2016
AYE	NAY
ATTEST: HANCOCK COUNTY AUDITOR	