

*Hancock County Council Meeting*

*September 12, 2012*

The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioner Court in the Hancock County Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September , 2012 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in accordance with the rules of the Council. Council members present were William Bolander, John Jessup, Jim Shelby, Joseph Skvarenina, Brian Kirkwood present. Rosalie Richardson and Tom Roney were absent from the meeting. Also, present were Auditor, Robin D. Lowder, Deputy Ginny Martin and Attorney Ray Richardson.

President Bolander opened meeting 8:30

**In the Matter of Council Business)**

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve the Council portion of the 2013 County Calendar . The motion was seconded by Councilman Skvarenina. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Councilman Shelby reported that the Hancock County Highway is working on a zero based budget for 2014, Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow Greg Guerrattaz, Financial Solutions help with this project along with Commissioner Tom Stevens and Joe Copeland. The motion was seconded by John Jessup. Vote 4-1 motion passed.

**In the Matter of Bonding)**

Issues of Bonding as follows:

- There is a current 2013 budget line item in MVH line item for (12) new trucks in the amount of \$260,000 and \$113,000 for 2012. This is a capital cost of \$1.7 million
- The recommendation is rather than buy on lease or loan for 7 years the County would use their bonding power to purchase these trucks. Issuing a bond for purchase of these trucks at \$1.7 million. And if we bond we can get a 2 1/2 % interest rate.
- There is currently in the 2013 budget provision to bond with a \$500,000 appropriation if we choose to bond. This would be approximately (4) years of bond payments.

- Amount of bond would be \$1,995,000 with the remaining \$250,000 for capital expenditures we currently have in CCD fund for 2013.

1. Pictometry
2. Truck for Surveyor
3. Paving of parking lot

- This would free up the \$260,000 that is currently in the MVH budget for 2013 to be used for road maintenance.
- The Resolution will be specific to road maintenance and not the Mt. Comfort round-a-bout.
- The CCD fund for 2013 requested amount is approximately \$1.4 million and we have \$900,000 coming into the CCD fund. This is a de-cumulating fund and should be a cumulating fund. If we bond this would take \$260,000 from the \$1.4 million and when they sell the old trucks \$500,000-\$600,000 this money can be put back into the CCD fund. This would be \$850,000 actually going back into the Cum Fund .

Councilman Shelby introduced Resolution 2012-9-1 as follows:

1. If the Commissioners find that the Highway needs to purchase (12) trucks for 2013 , this Council suggests they be purchased outright through a GO Bond at \$500,000 per year.
2. The bond amount is \$1,995,000 with approximate \$45,000 in issuance costs, \$1,700,000 to purchase trucks and remaining balance to be for approved capital expense items currently in the CCD fund: Paving of parking lot, Pictometry and purchase of Surveyor truck.
3. When the old Highway trucks are sold the proceeds of the sale is to go into the Cumulative Capital Development Fund.
4. This will allow truck payments in the MVH budget in the amount of \$260,000 for (7) years to be used solely for road maintenance.
5. This will also relieve the CCD fund in the amount of \$850,000 and help to make it a Cumulative Fund.

6. This will lower the cost or equal the current cost of truck replacement.

The introduction of Resolution 2012-9-1 was seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 3-2 motion passed.

**In the Matter of Clerk)**

Marcia Moore, Clerk appeared before Council to request the hiring a part-time person for the remaining part of the year. Clerk is requesting a budget transfer into her part-time line item to be doing the electronic abstracts. Councilman Skvarenina made a motion to allow transfer, seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 5-0 motion passed. Also, request to begin the scanning project and an additional appropriation in the amount of \$16,585 for (8) scanners into the Clerk's Perpetuation. Council gave approval to Auditor to advertise the additional appropriation.

County Council Non-Binding Reviews

Townships/Cities/Towns/Libraries

President Bolander opened public hearing on the non-binding review of the townships/cities/towns /libraries.

One public comment, John Priorie

Public hearing closed.

Blue River Township	Paul Cooper	Not Approved due to no EMS help from the State.  Councilman Jessup made a motion to not approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Brandywine Township	Marc Hill	Approved  Councilman Bolander made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Brown Township	Katie Lewman Did not Appear	Not Approved due to no EMS help from the State.  Councilman Jessup made a motion to not approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Buck Creek Township	Melvin Branson	Approved Note* to DLGF to roll emergency loan into the total tax rate.  Councilman Bolander made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Center Township	Ron Horning	Approved  Councilman Skvarenina made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
City of Greenfield	Larry Breese	Approved  Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Skvarenina. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Fortville Library	Richard Bell	Approved  Councilman Skvarenina made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Green Township	Sharon Brown	Approved  Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Hancock County Library	Dianne Osborne	Approved  Councilman Skvarenina made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Jackson Township	Robert McDaniel  Did not appear	Not Approved due to no EMS help from the State.  Councilman Kirkwood made a motion to not approve, seconded by Councilman Jessup .Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Sugar Creek Township	Robert Boyer	Approved  Councilman Bolander made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Skvarenina . Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Town of Cumberland	Grace Heck	Approved  Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Jessup . Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Town of Fortville	Marcie Stafford	Approved  Councilman Bolander made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Town of McCordsville	Cathy Gardner	Not Approved over 2.8%  Councilman Shelby made a motion to not approve, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 5-0 motion passed
Town of New Palestine	Becky Hilligoss	Approved  Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Town of Shirley	Marla Kemerly	Approved  Councilman Bolander made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Town of Spring Lake	Sue Dennaman  Did not appear	Approved  Councilman Bolander made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Town of Wilkinson	Janette Young	Approved  Councilman Kirkwood made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Vernon Township	James Nolte	Approved  Councilman Bolander made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.
Redevelopment Commission	Skip Kuker	Approved  Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Commissioner Tom Stevens appeared before Council to provide Council a Highway perspective of the money needed for trucks and road maintenance and reasons to bond the capital expense.

Brad Burkhart, from the Sheriff Department appeared before Council to advise of changes made to the budget from the budget hearings on September 6, 2012. These were changes to line items that the figure was uncertain at the time the budget was presented to Council for 2013 budget.

- Tom Harrison position that is leaving the general fund is decreased by \$10,000 due to the rank pay and longevity.
- Civilian position into LOIT

- FICA increased in LOIT
- Shift Differential increased in LOIT

Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow the changes, seconded by Councilman Bolander. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Food & Beverage needs appropriated into Misc. Expense to cover what the Council has approved with the Departments. Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the appropriation of \$100,000 into the miscellaneous expense line, for advertisement.

**In the Matter of the Minutes for April, May & June)**

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve all minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Councilman Kirkwood made motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved this date:

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Robin D. Lowder, Auditor