

Hancock County Council

October 14,2009

The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioner Court in the Hancock County Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana, on the 14th day of October, 2009 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in accordance with the rules of the Council. Council members present were William Bolander, Jack Leonard, Rosalie Richardson, Jim Shelby, Brian Kirkwood, Dick Pasco. Also, present were Auditor, Robin D. Lowder, and Deputy Auditor Ginny Martin, Ray Richardson, County Attorney. Tom Roney absent.

Council President William Bolander, who presided, called the meeting to order.

In the Matter of Budget Committee)

Councilman Shelby reported that there is a shortfall of \$218,190.83. The budget will be adopted on October 27,2009.

The Budget committee recommendations for the 2010 budget:

- No spending until after June 30th from the CCD fund 4000 for Capital expenditures due to cash flow issues.
- A letter to Department heads that there will be no encumbrances and no additional appropriations for 2010.
- A letter to all municipalities that it was Council's intent that the CEDIT tax only be in effect for one year.
- A letter to all Departments thanking them for all their hard work during these difficult budget times.

In the Matter of Council Minutes)

August 12, 2009 minutes- Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve the minutes with the following amendment, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 6-0

From: JShelby904@aol.com [mailto:JShelby904@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 10:54 AM
To: gmartin@hancockcoingov.org
Cc: rlowder@hancockcoingov.org; rmelvin@hancockcoingov.org
Subject: Re: minutes

Ginny,

I request amended wording to the 8-12-09 meeting minutes as follows:

Paragraph titled "In the matter of Sheriff Pension"

In the two places where "Sheriff Pension" is used I intended to say "Deputy Compensation and Pension Plan". Additionally, under "Committee suggestions:" I meant to include 2 not 1 Merit Board member.

Jim Shelby

In the Matter of Sheriff Bonus)

Sheriff appeared before Council. Council still have questions about the seizure property and any report that can be provided to the Council as part of his goals for Sheriff bonus. Sheriff indicated he is unable to provide such a report to the Council. Council Bolander made a motion keep Resolution as issued however, delete item (a.) on the Resolution that states Sheriff provide a quarterly report to Council on seized property. Resolution was updated during meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pasco. Vote 6-0

COUNTY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO 2009-9-3

RESOLUTION REGARDING SHERIFF'S BONUS

Be It Resolved by the County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, that in 2011 the sheriff will be eligible for a \$5,000.00 bonus if the sheriff meets the following goals in 2010:

(a) Keep accurate records and making a monthly report to the County Auditor of the number and cost of meals served to prisoners.

(b) Keeping the quality and quantity of meals served to at least the standard of the previous year.

(c) Holding the food cost per meal served to \$0.51 less than the state meal allowance for prisoners. Should the sheriff hold the cost to \$0.56 less than the state meal allowance for prisoners per meal, per meal the bonus will be increased by an additional \$2,500.00.

Adopted this 14th day of October, 2009.

Hancock County Council

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William O Bolander

Jack Leonard
Richard Pasco

John A Shelly
Bill D
Frankie Richardson

Attest: Carl D Fowden
Hancock County Auditor

In the Matter of Clerk)

Shari Burris, Clerk appeared before Council to get approval for a replacement of employee who worked the Circuit Court desk. She wants to bring in new person with a reduced salary. Councilman Pasco made a motion to allow the Clerk to rehire Circuit Court desk employee at the salary of \$24,000, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 6-0

In the Matter of Prosecutor Grant)

Dean Dobbins, Prosecutor appeared before Council to ask for approval to apply for a grant for four (4) intern positions. Prosecutor Dobbins “there is no news media here and I am telling you first because I have always had a good relationship with you. I am not intending to run for re-election, I am not physically able to run against a party chairman. That is between us and I will make it public at some point but I am not going to benefit our party chairman to announce this publically at this time. I want you to understand how strategies are important in the job I do. Council agrees with the Prosecutor applying for the grant.

In the Matter of Interlocal for EMS)

Jimmie Roberts, Fire Chief appeared before Council to present Inter-local for EMS, City and Commissioners have approved Inter-local for 2010. All five of the townships have verbally agreed. Councilman Shelby made a motion to accept the Inter-local, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 6-0

In the Matter of Community Corrections)

Pat Powers, Director Community Corrections appeared before Council regarding bids for the Jail expansion. No action necessary from the Council at this point in the process.

In the Matter of Library)

Joe Mohr, Library board member appeared before Council to report status of the Sugar Creek Library and any future expansion possibilities. Council doesn't agree with any bond issue to fund the expansion and have no problem with this issue as long as the Library stays within their budget.

In the Matter of E911)

Ronda Bryant, E911 Center appeared before Council in place of the Director, Connie Hoy who is on vacation. They are requesting to fill the Public Dispatch position that was made available when Connie Hoy became Director of the E911 Center. Councilman Leonard made a motion to allow the replacement of the position and allow the budget transfers to eliminate any over-budget items, seconded by Councilman Pasco. Vote 6-0

In the Matter of Operation Pull-Over)

Deputy Joe Hunt appeared before Council to request an additional appropriation in the Operation Pull-over grant budget. Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow additional appropriation, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 6-0

In the Matter of Auditor)

Robin Lowder, Auditor requested additional appropriation on behalf of the Commissioners budget for the buildings \$8,505.50, which is in over-budget status. Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow additional appropriation in this amount to be paid from the Food & Beverage Fund 0258, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 6-0

In the Matter of Visitors Bureau)

Dave Scott, Visitor’s Bureau appeared before Council to request an additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,062.00 to finish out the budget year. Councilwoman Richardson made a motion to allow the additional appropriation, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 6-0

In the Matter of IT Department)

Bernie Harris appeared before Council requesting to spend money for new copiers from Cumulative Capital. Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow Bernie Harris and Auditor to work on getting new copiers, Councilman Leonard seconded. Vote 6-0

Councilman Shelby made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Bolander. Vote 6-0

Meeting adjourned

APPROVED on this day _____

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ATTEST: _____
Robin D. Lowder, Auditor