

Hancock County Council Minutes
June 8,2011

The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioner Court in the Hancock County Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana, on the 8th day of June 2011 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in accordance with the rules of the Council. Council members present were William Bolander, Dick Pasco, Brian Kirkwood, Tom Roney, John Jessup, Jim Shelby, and Rosalie Richardson. Also, present were Auditor, Robin D. Lowder, Deputy Ginny Martin, Ray Richardson, County Attorney.

President Bill Bolander called the meeting to order.

In the Matter of the Budget Committee)

Councilman Shelby reported to the Council the following;

- Investment Committee will be meeting regarding the Police Retirement Fund working on 6 proposals from potential investors that the Committee will be reviewing.
- Joint meeting with City and County regarding the Education Alliance however, nothing to report at this time.
- The training for the Department heads is moving forward, the meetings are set.

In the Matter of May minutes)

Councilman Roney amended the May minutes as follows: An appropriation was originally made in the CCD fund and Council and Commissioners decided after it had been appropriated to spend a portion of the remaining amount in the EOC bond fund 2300. Per Ray Richardson, County Attorney this is an acceptable expense. Council amended the May motion to move the appropriation for the demolition of the American Legion building to the remaining cash balance of the EOC bond fund 2300. Commissioners will pay back \$2,100 previously spent from the CCD and appropriate \$58,000 in the bond fund 2300 for remaining expenditures of the demolition. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pasco. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Councilwoman Richardson amended the May minutes to say that the bond can be used for the courthouse roof, the EOC drainage, and paving of the parking lot where the American Legion stood.

In the Matter of the Tourism Commission)

Greg Carwein, appeared before Council regarding the Visitor's Bureau and how it was originally set-up with the County. Greg will converse with Ray to ensure it is properly set-up within our county. The checks will be made payable from now on to the Tourism Commission and the Commissioners will appoint 3 of the members.

In the Matter of Recorder)

Debra Carnes, Recorder requested to spend her budget in CCD to pay for her IKON copier lease. However, she needs to change the line item name to IKON copier lease. Councilman Shelby made a motion to allow a new name be used for the copier lease under the Recorder CCD budget. The motion seconded by Councilman Roney. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Council break

In the Matter of Sheriff)

Sheriff Shepherd appeared before Council to discuss the Jail Nurse contract. It is the opinion of the Council to go ahead and proceed with a contract. Major Brad Burkhart gave a report of the comparison between a contract nurse or if she is paid as a County employee. With the contract with Advance Medical they will be responsible for everything dealing with the Jail Nurse.

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve the Jail Nurse contract, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Councilman Roney made a motion to move the remaining Jail Nurse salary in Fund 6004 LOIT budget for 2011 from line 001-10-0019 (Jail Nurse) to line 000-30-0095 (Jail Medical & Hospital Care) in the amount of \$23,981.10. Motion was seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Councilman Shelby made a motion regarding the hiring of Bill Applegate (currently a merit deputy) to the IT department. The Council will allow that the Sheriff leave the deputy position but with \$0.00 in deputy line item.

Bill Applegate is retiring and to pay the new IT person (Bill Applegate) from the IT budget line 070-10-0022 Data Base Administrator which currently has an appropriation of \$30,000 for the remaining 2011 budget year. Councilwoman Richardson also added to the motion to amend the Salary Ordinance to reflect this change, seconded by Councilman Pasco. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Highway)

Joe Copeland, Highway Superintendent appeared before Council and requested an amendment to our current Salary Ordinance. As of May 24, 2011 Dick Simon was hired as the weed specialist being paid at \$20 per hour. He is considered a part-time person in this position. Councilman Shelby made a motion to amend the Salary Ordinance to reflect the hourly rate for Dick Simon and be made retro- active to May 22nd date. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pasco. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Joe requested an additional appropriation for \$350,000 for Cumulative Bridge Fund. Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Richardson. Vote 7-0 motion passed. The additional appropriation will be advertised and sent to DLGF for approval.

Joe advised Council of an Inter-local agreement between County and Town of New Palestine for 450W & 300S paving he is requesting Council to approve. The cost to the County is only the wear of the equipment. Councilman Pasco made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Bridge update-Joe provided map of County bridges showing the bridges that are in need of replacement. Load limits have had to be posted on several bridges.

In the Matter of Community Corrections)

Pat Powers appeared before Council requesting to move \$616.00 from Project Income fund 0539 and additionally appropriate the PERF line in the Grant fund 0537. Council approved to advertise the additional appropriation. Councilman Pasco made a motion to allow the transfer, seconded by Councilman Kirkwood and advertise the additional. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Pat Powers presented the 2012 budgets for fund 0539 Project Income. He is on a fiscal year budget and starts July 1st.

Councilwoman Richardson made a motion to approve budget 0539 for 2012, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Pat Powers presented the 2012 budgets for fund 0537 Community Corrections Grant. He is on a fiscal year budget and starts July 1st. Councilman Pasco made a motion to approve budget 0537 for 2012, seconded by Councilman Roney. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Councilman Kirkwood made a proposal for the Council to look over regarding Nepotism.

Councilman Jessup made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Roney. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Meeting adjourned
Approved this date:

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Robin D. Lowder
Auditor