# Hancock County Council

**DECEMBER 9, 2015** 

8:30 AM

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COURTROOM
111 American Legion Place
Greenfield, Indiana 46140

MEETING CALLED BY	Council President Bill Bolander	
	The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioner Court in the Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana, on the 9 <sup>th</sup> day of December 2015 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in accordance with the rules of the Council.	
ATTENDEES	Bill Bolander, Randy Sorrell Kent Fisk and Debbie Bledsoe, Tom Roney, Jim Shelby & John Jessup	
	Also attending, County Attorney, Ray Richardson, Deputy Auditor Ginny Martin and Auditor Robin Lowder	

# Minutes

President Bill Bolander opened the Council meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

## In the Matter of CMC-Maxwell Tax Abatement)

Skip Kuker, Economic Development and Ron Pritzke, Attorney appeared before Council on behalf of CMC-Maxwell Tax Abatement. Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve Confirming Resolution for CMC-Maxwell tax abatement. Councilman Jessup seconded the motion. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

## In the Matter of Additional Appropriations)

Councilman Bolander opened a public hearing for the following requests for additional appropriations.

Community Corrections Grant 8910	\$48,600
Probation IDOC Grant 8943	\$48,700
PACE State Asset Seizure 9113	\$12,950

No public comment.

Public Hearing closed.

Councilman Shelby's understanding is for the grant, that cost of FICA/PERF be covered by the grant. Community Corrections will cover their own group insurance but Probation will not at this point. Pat Powers advised the grant ends June 30<sup>th</sup> and plan to get the grant next year. Council discussed the possibility of increases of group insurance in the Commissioners budget.

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve the additional appropriations; and to approve advertising for the Probation Grant 2016 for January. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

## **In the Matter of Community Corrections)**

Pat Powers appeared before Council to request funding for a project to provide for 16 additional beds in the Community Corrections Facility. The funding amount is \$48,984.00 this does include furniture and foot lockers, mattresses and seating for day room. This is for 2016. Councilman Shelby made a motion to fund \$50,000 from Food & Beverage allowing Auditor to do a budget transfer from miscellaneous expense into a Community Corrections Building line item. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fisk. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

Pat Powers also requested funding for (3) vehicles; Commissioners have recommended the County purchase these vehicles. Community Corrections will repay County for the cost of the vehicles. Attorney, Ray Richardson prepared a Memorandum of Understanding; County will own vehicles and Community Corrections to pay by quarterly installments within 4 years back to the funding source. Councilman Shelby made a motion to fund vehicles \$60,000 from Food & Beverage and to be repaid by Memorandum of Understanding. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

## In the Matter of Jury Pay Fund)

Councilman made a motion to fund \$10,000 from Food & Beverage to alleviate the negative cash balance and cover any further jury list that come in to the end of the year. Councilman Fisk made a motion to approve the funding; motion was seconded by Councilman Sorrell. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

# **In the Matter of Emergency Management)**

Misty Moore, Emergency Management appeared before Council to request to allow the Auditor to advertise for additional appropriation on a grant she will be receiving. Council approved request.

# In the Matter of the 2016 Salary Ordinance)

Councilman Roney made a motion to introduce the 2016 Salary Ordinance 2015-12D. Councilman Fisk made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on the same day as introduction. Councilman Sorrell seconded motion. Councilman Jessup made a motion to adopt, seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Motion passed. Vote 7-0

# In the Matter of Encumbrance)

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve Resolution to encumber into the new budget 2016 only part-time hourly and over-time. Motion was seconded by Councilman Roney. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

# In the Matter of SWMD Advertising)

Council approved Auditor to advertise the Solid Waste Management District additional appropriations, to allow funding from its own fund in 2016.

## In the Matter of Minutes)

Councilman Fisk made a motion to approve the July, October & November Council minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

#### In the Matter of Budget Transfers)

Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the budget transfers for Judge Culver, Circuit Court. Motion was seconded by Councilman Fisk. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

## In the Matter of Year-End Authority Resolution)

Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the Year-End Auditor Authority Resolution. This allows Auditor to do any budget transfers, corrections etc. for year-end balancing. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

#### In the Matter of GIS updates)

Surveyor has requested funding for GIS parcel updates at the Budget Committee meeting. Councilman Shelby made a motion to table until 2016 due to Surveyor wanting to contact the other entities to see if they would help with the cost of approximately \$31,000. Councilman Jessup seconded motion. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

#### In the Matter of the Budget Committee)

Councilman Shelby reported the following:

- Funding needed by Surveyor to update GIS system. Will table until January for funding. Surveyor is notifying other entities to ask for help with the cost.
- Jury Pay Fund has negative cash
- Budget meeting members discussed providing benefits for Economic Development through the County payroll. There are proposals to accomplish this.

#### In the Matter of CED Employee Benefits)

Councilman Fisk, stated Economic Development needs to lead on this issue. Councilman Sorrell discussed that there was a meeting on Friday of last week with the CED. Their concerns were voiced in this meeting regarding the issue of benefits by the county. County is a political subdivision and have public access laws and CED wants to be off the radar in many instances with companies coming into our county. Skip deals with private issues concerning companies and would have to abide by the County laws along with other possible issues. There may be more discussion on CED going in with other not-for-profit organizations to come up with a plan to provide benefits.

Councilman Fisk made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 6-0 motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED THIS DATE:	January 13, 2016
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ATTEST: HANCOCK COUNTY AUDITOR	