Hancock County Council Minutes
March 9, 2016
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 9th day of March, 2016 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in accordance with the rules of the Council.

ATTENDEES
Bill Bolander, Randy Sorrell Kent Fisk, Tom Roney, Jim Shelby & John Jessup, Debbie Bledsoe
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 Sheriff Retirement)
Stan Brown, Ronnie Mohr and Sheriff Shepherd appeared before Council to discuss the current Actuarial Valuation for the Benefit Plan for 1-1-2016 to 12-31-2016 Retirement Plan for Sheriff’s Department and the amounts for County in the 2017 budget year.

The amount due for 2016 is $519,534 in addition to collections that come from the Clerk, for Sheriff process fees collected.

The 2017 Budget figures for the County Contribution are as follows:

Recommended=$604,293
Alternative Minimum=$579,531
Minimum =$566,879
**In the Matter of Tsuda Tax Abatement)**

Skip Kuker, Economic Development Director, appeared before Council with the Preliminary Resolution No. 2016-3-1 for Tsuda Industries Co. Ltd. The Plant Manager also appeared and reported the company is doing an expansion, and seeking tax abatement for improvements to infrastructure and construction to support growth of automotive related products. This expansion will create (30) additional persons with annual salaries of approximately $1,497,600.

Councilman Jessup introduced the Resolution contingent to an amendment to personal property to be corrected on the Confirming Resolution. Councilman Shelby seconded the motion. Vote 7-0 motion passed. Public Hearing held April 13, 2016 at 8:30 am for the Confirming Resolution.

**In the Matter of Additional Appropriations)**

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

- Highway=$165,000
  ($50k 500 N, $50k Interchange Study and $65k for Equipment)

- E911 Operating=$180,000 (CAD system)

No public comment.

Public hearing closed.

Councilwoman Bledsoe made a motion to approve the additional appropriations; motion was seconded by Councilman Jessup. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

**In the Matter of Prosecutor)**

Prosecutor, Brent Eaton appeared before Council to request a VOCA employee. Councilman Sorrell made a motion to approve replacement; motion was seconded by Councilman Roney. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

**In the Matter of Emergency Management)**

Misty Moore, Emergency Management Director appeared before Council to request to replace the Deputy Director position. Councilman
Shelby made a motion to approve; motion was seconded by Councilman Fisk. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Surveyor

Susan Bodkin, Surveyor appeared before Council to request replacement of an employee who is leaving. Surveyor wants to increase the current Surveyor Tech II in the amount of $2,000 and change the name of the position to “Field Crew Chief”. The new hire would be hired at $30,000 and the position named “Assistant Field Crew”. Councilman Jessup made a motion to approve the request. Motion was seconded by Councilman Fisk. Vote 7-0 motion past.

In the Matter of Probation

Wayne Addison appeared before Council to take (2) part-time positions and make (1) full time. Create new line or add to the current Administrative Assistant line item. Position to begin on July 1, 2016. He Councilman Fisk made a motion to approve request, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of February Minutes

Council Shelby made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Councilman Sorrell. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Superior Court I

Judge Snow, Superior Court I requested an additional appropriation of $7,500 for Evaluation & Witness Fees. There is not enough in his 2016 budget to cover the fees charged. Councilwoman Bledsoe made a motion to approve the request and amount to be budget transferred in the Food & Beverage Fund miscellaneous expense line. Councilman Roney seconded the motion. Vote 6-0 Councilman Sorrell abstained. Motion passed.

In the Matter of Balancing the 1782 Budget Order

Councilman Jessup made a motion to decrease the GO Bond of 2015 in the amount of ($87,919) and Local Road & Street in the amount of ($40,114) per DLGF budget order, approving Resolution. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

In the Matter of Budget Committee

Councilman Shelby reported discussion as follows:
- MVH funding
- Gary Pool will be asking for additional appropriations to draw down his cash balance.
- John Jokantas, E911 Director has requested an Administrative Assistant position for his Department.

**In the Matter of Invoice**
Councilman Roney made a motion to pay and invoice submitted by Skip Kuker, Director of Economic Development for work that Umbaugh had done for Project Everest in the amount of $3,565.00. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bledsoe. Vote 7-0 motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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**APPROVED THIS DATE: APRIL 13, 2016**

**ATTEND: HANCOCK COUNTY AUDITOR**