

Hancock County Council

August 9, 2017

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM

111 American Legion Place

Greenfield, Indiana 46140

The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioner Court in the Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana, on the 9th day of August 2017 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in accordance with the rules of the Council.

Councilmembers William Bolander, Debra Bledsoe, Kent Fisk, Martha Vail, Jeannine Gray, and Randy Sorrell were in attendance.

Also attending, County Attorney, Ray Richardson, Deputy Auditor Mary Bowmer and Auditor Robin Lowder

Minutes

Highway Budget Transfer-Councilman Fisk made a motion to approve a Budget Transfer for Highway 1176 for \$150,000 from Hourly to Road Improvement. Councilman Gray seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/0.

Circuit Court/Judge Culver requested additional-Councilman Gray made a motion to do a Budget Transfer in Food and Beverage for Circuit Court/\$6,000 Transcripts and \$5,000 Evaluations/Witness. Councilman Vail seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/0.

Sheriff request advertise additional \$140,000 General Fund-Council gave approval to advertise \$140,000 from General Fund for the Transport of prisoners.

Sheriff request to advertise \$8,000 Court Order in General Fund- Then want to move to Law Enforcement to pay expenses. Council approve advertising.

Sheriff request adjustment in 2018 Budget-Councilman Fisk made a motion to put \$75,000 back in the 2018 Budget that had been removed for transport of prisoners. We will be transporting prisoners and will need the funds. Councilman Vail seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/0.

Public Hearing for Abatement 9:05 a.m.: McFarling Foods- No Public Comment.

Skip Kuker presented the abatement. The Confirming Resolution for McFarling was presented for signatures. Ron Pritzke presented the Resolution and SB 1 for Real and Personal Property.

Budget Discussion/Brad Burkhart-Question of where the 2018 Budget was on new additional staffing. Council stated no increase in Jail staff. Merit Deputies Council chose 7% increase instead of staffing increase.

Auditor and Council Budget Discussion- The money is to be distributed as follows: \$1,000 for each full time employee (included Merit Deputies) (department heads could distribute as they think appropriate). Includes full time Elected Officials (work at least 35 hours a week). Part-time receive 2% and it must be found in their budgets.

Funds to Pay for Merit Deputies 7% increase-Move \$55,000 from Rainy Day Fund to General Fund to pay for the 7% increase in Salary for Merit Deputies. Councilman Gray made a motion to move the \$55,000 increase from Rainy Day to General Fund. Councilman seconded the motion. The motion carried 4/0

The Hancock County Council reviewed the estimated property tax levy limits and the estimated reductions due to circuit breakers for each taxing unit. The county auditor will distribute the minutes of the meeting to all taxing units after the minutes are approved by the fiscal body. IC 6-1.1-17-3.6

The Hancock County Council Adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Adopted this day: August 9, 2017

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Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder

Hancock County Auditor