

Hancock County Council

January 13,2010

The County Council of Hancock County, Indiana, met in the Commissioner Court in the Hancock County Courthouse Annex, Greenfield, Indiana, on the 13th day of January 2010 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 and Tom Roney. Also, present were Auditor, Robin D. Lowder, Deputy Ginny Martin, Ray Richardson, County Attorney.

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

In the Matter of Appointment of Boards for 2010)

- Solid Waste Management-Tom Roney
- Alcohol & Beverage-Ed Brand
- Redevelopment-Jim Cherry & Joe Doninger
- Economic Development-Tom Roney
- Planning-Bill Bolander
- Community Corrections-Rosalie Richardson

Councilman Pasco made a motion for all current appointments remain the same for year 2010, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 7-0

In the Matter of Election of County Council Officers for 2010)

Councilman Shelby made a motion for County Council officers remain the same year 2010, seconded by Councilman Leonard. Vote 7-0

- Bill Bolander-President
- Jack Leonard-Vice President

Council discussion)

- Discussion on the compliance of elected office holders. Councilman Shelby will email the Council a copy of the proposed Resolution for them to review. This issue will be further discussed at next meeting.
- The 1782 budget order---we are still waiting to hear from the DLGF on their decision of our 2010 budget and the effect of the property tax caps.
- Councilman Roney made a motion, due to duplicate Resolution numbers Resolution No. 2009- 6-1 be renumbered to Resolution No. 2009-6-1a seconded by Councilman Kirkwood. Vote 7-0
- Year-end summary of the County property tax rates and Settlement given by Auditor, Robin Lowder. The year-end budget transfers and year-end balances report given by Deputy Auditor, Ginny Martin. All funds are balanced as of 12-31-2009 and Settlement complete.

In the Matter of Additional Grant funds)

Pat Powers, Community Corrections Director appeared before Council to advise that he is receiving a new grant called JAG for the Drug Court Program beginning in January in the amount of \$31,023.60. Appropriated as follows:

JAG Grant

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| Salaries/PERF/FICA | \$24,827.00 |
| Services | \$2,206.00 |
| Supplies | <u>\$3,989.87</u> |
| | \$31,022.87 |

Councilmen Shelby made a motion to approve the grant and appropriations, seconded by Councilman Leonard. Vote 7-0

In the Matter of Salary for Chief Deputy in Auditor’s Office)

Robin Lowder appeared before Council to request a salary increase for the Chief Deputy position in the Auditor’s Office. The Chief Deputy position is not currently being paid the salary that is normally expected with the duties of the position. President Bill Bolander appointed Dick Pasco and Brian Kirkwood to form a compensation committee to look into the inconsistency in our county employee compensation.

In the Matter of the January Minutes)

Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve the December 16, 2009 minutes with the following amendments:

- In the last meeting the Council had requested that Hancock Regional Hospital provide the Council with a bond report but the minutes did not reflect the request.
- Regarding the Redevelopment Bond discussion in the last meeting, Council expressed concern regarding the following:
 1. Commissioners had obligated tax payers for this bond
 2. The 20 year length of time on the bond repayment.
 3. The nonspecific use of the bond.
- Company spelling from “Interdel” to “Enerdel”

Councilman Kirkwood seconded approval of minutes with amendments. Vote 7-0

In the Matter of New location for a Criminal Justice Center)

President Bill Bolander, stated:

“ It is the Hancock County Council expressed opinion that the Criminal Justice system should stay in the downtown buildings and close to the other downtown business, and be done in an economical basis.”

In the Matter of Roundabouts)

Gregg Morelock appeared before Council to request the County to pay a cap up to \$50,000 on the roundabout, at Apple and New Road. This portion is for the acquisition of the land. There are four agreements for four different roundabouts but the County will only be responsible for the \$50,000 and the payment will be taken from County funds.

Gregg Morelock requested that the agreements be signed by Council today to go to the Board of Works in the morning. Council took a break to have an opportunity to review the agreements.

Break 9:55 am

Council reconvened 10:05

Councilman Roney made a motion to approve all four agreements, seconded by Councilman Shelby. Vote 7-0

Councilwoman Richardson votes "yes" however, goes on the record that she does not want to get involved in an "eminent domain" situation.

In the Matter of MRC)

Health Department is requesting from Council that their new grant be appropriated. This grant is in the amount of \$5,000 and the grant period ends June 30, 2010. It is called Medical Reserve Corp and maintains the database for public health. Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve the appropriation, seconded by Councilwoman Richardson. Vote 7-0

In the Matter of Day Reporting)

Prosecutor Dean Dobbins, appeared before Council to give his 2009 annual report for the Day Reporting Program. He also asked that Council approve \$3,000 from the deferral fund, for the Prosecutor to give to the program for Juveniles at Risk. Councilman Shelby made a motion to approve \$4,000 for this program, seconded by Councilman Leonard. Vote 7-0

In the Matter of 2010 Salary Ordinance)

Councilwoman Richardson made a motion to introduce Ordinance 2010-1a, Councilman Leonard made a motion to authorize the adoption of this Ordinance 2010-1a on the same day of introduction, seconded by Councilman Roney. Roll call vote

Aye

Nay

Dick Pasco

Brian Kirkwood

Jim Shelby

Rosalie Richardson

Jack Leonard

Bill Bolander

Tom Roney

Councilman Leonard made a motion to adopt the 2010 Salary Ordinance 2010-1a, seconded by Councilman Pasco. Roll call vote.

Aye
Dick Pasco
Brian Kirkwood
Jim Shelby
Rosalie Richardson
Jack Leonard
Bill Bolander
Tom Roney

Nay

In the Matter of Budget Transfers)

Substance abuse was under budget in her PERF line item and her Group Insurance line item for 2010. They request a budget transfer from Drug Screens to both PERF and Group Insurance as follows:

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| From 0805-000-30-0014 (drug screens) | to | 0805-000-10-0025 (group insurance) \$6,000 |
| From 0805-000-30-0014 (drug screens) | to | 0805-000-10-0026 (PERF) \$8,500 |

Councilman Leonard made a motion to allow transfers, seconded by Councilman Bolander. Vote 7-0

Council Discussion)

- There is a meeting today that Councilman Shelby and Bolander and Councilwoman Richardson will be attending downtown. The State is wanting to take over the E911 and senate bill 302 is being filed.
- Council members agree that a written proposal regarding issues with the sheriff retirement fund be discussed at the next council meeting. Once all have agreed they will submit proposal to Merit Board.
- Hospital meeting, Rick Edwards will put a financial summary together for 2008 & 2009 regarding the bond and status for the Council.

In the Matter of the Executive Session Minutes)

Councilman Roney made a motion to approve the minutes from December 21, 2009 Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Pasco. Vote 7-0

Councilman Roney made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Leonard. Vote 7-0
Meeting adjourned.

Recording stopped 10:51 am

APPROVED on this day February 10,2010

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ATTEST: _____
Robin D. Lowder, Auditor