

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Jefferson Co. Courthouse, Room 103, 300 E. Main St. Madison, IN 47250
6-11-2019
START- 5:00 pm
ADJOURN-6:15 pm

In attendance: County Council Members Judy Smith, Pam Crozier, Ray Black, Ray Denning, Heather Foy, Chris Shelton, Auditor Sherry Eblen, and taking minutes Heather Huff.

Judy Smith called the meeting to order, and led all in attendance with The Pledge of Allegiance of The United States of America. Ray Denning made a motion to approve the previous meetings minutes with an addendum. Pam Crozier seconded the motion. Motion approved 6/0.

Dave Thomas- Jefferson County Sheriff- The Sheriff will be working on additional appropriations for jail and Sheriff's Department operations. The Jail occupancy continues to rise. Jefferson County is currently housing 9 level 6 inmate at other facilities. The Sheriff reported that Magistrate Jacobs is helping speed up the judicial process which will help with inmate population.

Council member Heather Foy presented a letter prepared by John Brannigan current Merit Board member. The letter stressed the importance of a raise and or longevity pay for Sheriff's Deputies. The Sheriff's Department is under staffed. The Merit Board hopes that the raise and longevity pay would help retain officers, and recruit new officers. This matter will be discussed further at the budget hearings.

Council President Judy Smith then shared the need for an appointment renewal for the Jefferson County Library Board. The Library nominated Sally Wurtz the current member to be reappointed for a new 4 year term. Pam Crozier made the motion to reappoint Sally Wurtz. Chris Shelton seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

Auditor Sherry Eblen presented Jefferson County Ordinance 2019-2. This ordinance was prepared to raise the parcel transfer fee collected by the Auditor's Office. The new rate of \$10.00 per parcel will be effective 1-1-2020. Ray Black made a motion to accept Ordinance 2019-2. Ray Denning seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

David Bramer- Jefferson County Commissioner- David updated Council on the Jail project. Currently collecting RFP's for Geotechnical Engineering Study/ Phase 1 Environmental Study. There are currently three contractors interested in this opportunity a decision on a contractor will be made early next week with work availability being a factor due to a time crunch. Dave also reported the City Council is needing to know the amount of the current LIT collection that the County Council plans to place towards the project. The Council stated they would work on this amount at the budget hearings.

Susie Lawrence- 911 Director- Susie is requesting an addition appropriation in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the use of overtime/comp time pay out. The 911 office is currently short three dispatchers. Due to the lack of coverage and illness and death that had effected the staff there has been a lot of comp time worked recently. The current balance of the Statewide 911 fund is \$569,000.00. Ray Denning made motion to approve a \$10,000.00 additional appropriation to fund 1222 Statewide 911. Chris Shelton seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

Troy Morgan- Ema Director and Susie Lawrence -911 Director Troy and Susie both offered updates on the new Green Rd property. Currently demolition is done, new walls are being put in place and being prepped for paint. The building will consist of three different areas all with video surveillance, and electronic card locks. At current rate the offices are estimated to start moving in September.

Additional-

1119-001-0119.00 Part-Time Help \$6,000.00

Pam Crozier made a motion to approve the additional as submitted. Ray Denning seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

1159-001-0215.00 Immunization Grant \$6,259.02

Chris Shelton made the motion to approve the additional. Heather Foy seconded the motion. Motion approved 6/0.

4008-001-0212.00 Vet. Services \$4,000.00 (from fund 4101 Animal shelter Donations)

Ray Denning made a motion to approve the additional from Vet Services in fund 4008 from 4001. Chris seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

Transfers-

**From: 1000-021-0311.00 Schools and Conf.
Supplies
\$600.00**

**To: 1000-021-0221.00 Office
\$600.00**

**From: 1000-021-0222.00 Outreach Stand Down
\$150.00**

**To: 1000-021-0331.00 Printing
\$150.00**

Ray Denning made a motion to approve the VSO transfers. Chris Shelton seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

**From: 1000-016-0136.00 Per Diem Pettit Jurors
Services
\$5000.00**

**To: 1000-016-0393.00 Psychiatric
\$5,000.00**

Chris Shelton made a motion to approve the transfer. Pam seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

**From: 1159-001-0214.00 Environmental
Upkeep
\$1,500.00**

**To: 1159-001-0362.00 Repair &
\$1,500.00**

Ray Black made a motion to approve the transfer. Chis Shelton seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

**From: 1159-001-0214.00 Environmental
Health
\$4,000.00**

**To: 1159-001-0443.00 Public
\$4,000.00**

Pam Crozier made a motion to approve the transfer. Ray Denning seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

**From: 1159-001-0123.00 Pt Janitor \$3,200.00
Health
1159-001-0171.00 Social Sec \$4,000.00
1159-001-0172.00 Perf \$2,500.00
1159-001-0174.00 Insurance \$15,000.00
1159-001-0184.00 Per Diem \$500.00
1159-001-0323.00 Travel \$2,350.00**

**To: 1159-001-0443.00 Public
\$27,550.00**

Pam Crozier made a motion to approve the transfer. Ray Denning seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

David Bramer informed the Council of a request from the City in the amount of \$100,000.00 from Historic preservation for county support on the Cotton Mill Project. The Commissioners will be submitting a formal additional next month.

Pam Crozier announced there will be a public meeting held at Ivy Tech for the County's Comprehensive Plan on July 30th, 2019.

Auditor Sherry Eblen reminded Council Members DLGF Rep will be at the Courthouse on Monday July 22, 2019 to start the budget process. Budget hearings will take place on August 13th and 14th.

Ray Black asked what the current process was for grant searching. Currently the County's departments all individually search for their own grants, but do share if one is found for another department.

Chris Shelton made a motion to adjourn. Ray Denning seconded the motion. Motion passed 6/0.

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