

THE MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: BRYAN COLLIER, PAUL PRATHER, VICKIE KIVETT, DAVE ZOLLER, DANIEL ELLIOTT, KIM MERIDETH, AND VIRGINIA PERRY. ALSO PRESENT WERE DAN BASTIN, MORGAN COUNTY AUDITOR, AND DEB VERLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (*Kim Merideth*)

PRAYER (*Vickie Kivett*)

Minutes

Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the March 7, 2017 minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Additional Appropriation:

- *Soil & Water Conservation District*

Dan Bastin stated that this additional appropriation of \$5,042 from the General Fund (1000) into Account #1000-130-4115 (Education Assistant) is to meet the budget requirements for the salary amount that was approved. Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the additional appropriation. Motion seconded by Kim Merideth. Motion carried 7-0.

- *Morgan County Courts*

Judge Matt Hanson was present to request an additional appropriation of \$2,400 from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund (1138) into Account #1138-000-4441.35 (Courtroom Headsets). Judge Hanson stated that the headsets for hearing impaired assistance are 25 years old and are failing. The judges would like to purchase new headsets to be used among all the courts. Paul Prather made a motion to approve the additional appropriation. Motion seconded by Daniel Elliott. Motion carried 7-0.

- *Landfill Capping*

Kenny Hale, Morgan County Plan Commission Director, was present to request an additional appropriation from the County Riverboat Revenue Sharing Fund (1191) as follows:

- \$140,150 into Account #1191-000-4322 (Landfill Capping Equip Rental & Delivery)
- 60,000 into Account #1191-000-4321 (Landfill Capping Labor)
- 30,000 into Account #1191-000-4222 (Landfill Capping Fuel Expense)
- 3,000 into Account #1191-000-4223 (Landfill Capping Erosion Control/Seeding)

Mr. Hale stated that the lion's share of the project has been completed, but there is still 10 to 15% of fill and then they will begin to cover with topsoil. \$294,418 has been spent on the project so far. Daniel Elliott made a motion to approve the total additional appropriation of \$233,150. Motion seconded by Dave Zoller. Motion carried 7-0.

- *Auditor*

Dan Bastin stated that some old plat books (1884 to 1891 and 1871 to 1875) were discovered in the Recorder's Office storage area and requested an additional appropriation of \$2,400 into Account #1181-000-4363 (Transfer Books Repair) to repair them. The books are for Washington and Baker Townships. Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the additional appropriation. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Transfer:

- *Sheriff*

Sheriff Robert Downey requested a transfer of \$1,170 from Acct #1000-105-4221 (Gas) to Acct #1000-105-4443.10 (Computer Equipment) for a check printer. Paul Prather made a motion to approve the transfer. Motion seconded by Kim Merideth. Motion carried 7-0.

2017 Salary Ordinance Amendment

Dan Bastin stated that the current Community Corrections Office hourly rate range is \$18.99 to \$20.94. When a recent vacant position was filled, the person hired did not have the qualifications to meet this salary range and the pay is at \$18.00. Daniel Elliott made a motion to

approve the Salary Ordinance Amendment to change the salary base to \$18.00. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Joint Resolution

Bryan Collier stated that this resolution is in support of Judge Peter R. Foley’s application to the Indiana Supreme Court. Paul Prather made a motion to approve the Joint Resolution in Support of Peter R. Foley’s Application for the Indiana Supreme Court. Motion seconded by Vickie Kivett. Motion carried 7-0.

EMS / EMA Update

Donnie Warren presented two logos for the EMS vehicles and gave the following update: He will be sending out a timeline for an EMS start date. There will be a total of 51 employees within the next few days, as they have hired 20 new employees since March 9. This fills most of the schedules. The run volume is up; if this continues they will be on pace for 3,500 runs for the year. Mr. Warren stated that Ambulance Billing Service recommended an increase in rates because they are way under the average charge. Lifeline has agreed to keep their ambulance at IU Health Morgan Hospital to be used for transfers and backfill. An intercept agreement with Lifeline will be discussed at the next Board of Commissioners’ meeting. Mr. Warren is seeking approval from the Board of Commissioners to use the National Purchasing Partnership for ambulance supplies and equipment. Mr. Warren stated that a seven-year lease for cots and power load systems for five ambulances totaled over \$300,000 for the top of the line system. They are considering purchasing the ambulances from Morgantown, Gregg Township, and Paragon. The hiring committee has met to begin reviewing applications and resumes and will meet again April 12th and 13th.

The tornado sirens were tested during severe weather week and there were two in Martinsville that failed. They are working on these issues.

Economic Development Update

Mike Dellinger, Morgan County Economic Development Director, was present to give an update. He, along with Shannon Kohl, Mayor of Martinsville, are contacting businesses along the I-69 corridor. They are also working on a revolving loan fund project through USDA. There is \$80,000 available and he is working with a downtown Martinsville business and a business in Monrovia. Tax abatements are being considered for two businesses, Form Tec and Overton Industries.

Adjournment

Vickie Kivett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Daniel Elliott. Motion carried 7-0.

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Bryan Collier

Paul Prather

Daniel Elliott

Vickie Kivett

Dave Zoller

Kim Merideth

Virginia Perry

ATTEST:

Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor