

Ripley County Council Meeting

February 17, 2014

The Ripley County Council met on Monday, February 17, 2014 at the Ripley County Annex in Versailles, Indiana.

Council President Ms. Dephane Smith opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Council Members Dephane Smith, Ron Decker, Brenda Wetzler, Mark Horstman, Ed Armbrecht, and Bill McDonald were in attendance. Council Member Warren was absent. Also in attendance were Attorney Ertel and Auditor Wagner.

Approval of the minutes from the January 20, 2013 meeting:

Council Member Wetzler moved to approve the minutes as presented with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 4 yes. Council Members McDonald and Armbrecht abstained.

TRANSFERS AND ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

Transfer of funds				
		From	To	
Sheriff	\$3630.00	1110.19999.000.014 Longevity Halcomb	1110.18400.000.014 Matron	Transfer to payroll account
Sheriff	\$3630.00	1110.14699.000.007 Longevity Bradley	1110.11800.000.007 Fifth Deputy	Transfer to payroll account
Sheriff	\$1815.00	1110.14799.000.007 Longevity Dickerson	1110.14400.000.007 Seventh Deputy	Transfer to payroll account
Sheriff	\$4631.00	1110.14599.000.007 Longevity Pippin	1110.11900.000.007 Chief Deputy	Transfer to payroll account
Sheriff	\$1934.00	1110.14499.000.007 Longevity Hildebrand	1110.11500.000.007 Fourth Deputy	Transfer to payroll account
Sheriff	\$6167.00	1110.14999.000.007 Longevity Holt	1110.11300.000.007 Second Deputy	Transfer to payroll account
Sheriff	\$4676.00	1110.15299.000.007 Longevity Houseworth	1110.11400.000.007 Third Deputy	Transfer to payroll account
Sheriff	\$1815.00	1110.18499.000.007 Longevity Sullivan	1110.14300.000.007 Sixth Deputy	Transfer to payroll account

Council Member Armbrecht moved to approve the transfers with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 6 yes.

Additional Appropriations

Commissioners	\$287,000.00	9122-49500-000-000 CDBG-Delaware Fire Department	To pay claims for the new fire house
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Council Member Wetzler moved to approve with a second from Council Member Decker. Motion passes with 6 yes.

Park And Recreation	\$11,054.00	9123-47200.000.000 Reynolds Grant-Park Sound System	To upgrade public address system
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Council Member Decker moved to approve with a second from Council Member McDonald. Motion passed with 6 yes.

Recorder	\$14950.00	9124-43100-000-000 RSRF Grant-Scanner	New large book scanner
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Council Member Wetzler moved to approve with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 6 yes.			
Sheriff	\$5000.00	1175-36103-000-012 County Misdemeanant –Repairs	Repairs for Integrator System
Sheriff	\$784.00	4909-49000-000-308 HIWR/ Equipment	Repairs to Integrator System
Council Member Decker moved to approve both requests of the Sheriff with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed With 6 yes			
Reduction Appropriation			

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Chief Deputy Bradley discussed the desire for an additional vehicle over the two budgeted for 2014. He was advised it would be up to the commissioners to request an additional appropriation if they agreed to the additional vehicle. Chief Deputy Bradley provided a list of vehicles but was requested to provide a list showing the mileage of each vehicle and who was assigned to each vehicle. Council advised they would confer with the Commissioners.

Mr. George Bultman of the Parks Department was in attendance. The request for Ms. Rachel Curl’s appointment to the Park Board was considered. Council Member Armbrrecht moved to approve the request with a second from Council Member Wetzler. Motion passed with 6 yes.

Auditor Wagner discussed EDIT for Parks under the Commissioners budget. Currently it is shown for 33230 maintenance of equipment. The Parks Department would like it to use for other projects at the Park instead of equipment maintenance. It was suggested the Parks Department provide a list of projects that they were considering and if a new line item was needed it would be established and funds transferred to that line.

Mr. Jim Corbin-EMS Director- introduced Mr. Heath Smedley and Mr. Tom Steuer of Medicount Management. Medicount Management is an EMS billing service that is being considered to replace the current billing service used. They provide more information on the billing status and by their records obtain a larger payment for each run than the current provider. Several of the EMS units are in favor of using them and the EMS units will continue to investigate. Questions followed and Medicount stated they would also be open to payment based on results/performance.

Prosecutor Ric Hertel appeared to give the Council advance notice he would be required to ask for additional funds due to the cost of the two murder trials scheduled for 2014.

Council President Smith read a request from Child Services for an appointment to a child protection team. Council Member Wetzler stated she would serve. Council Member McDonald moved to appoint Ms. Brenda Wetzler with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 6 yes.

OTHER INFORMATION:

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Jeff Volz—Absent

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: Mr. Edward Armbrecht—none

E911 ADVISORY BOARD: Mr. Ron Decker —None

SEI REGIONAL PLANNING COMM: Ms. Dephane Smith--None

GRANTS COMMITTEE: Ms. Dephane Smith – Commissioner Reiners advised the Highway was waiting for the decision on the request for stainless steel truck beds to the Rising Sun Regional Foundation.

SOUTHEAST INDIANA RECYCLING: Mr. Bill McDonald—now meeting every other month, considering change in future and reducing the number of attendees for a quorum.

EMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: It was decided that the committee should remain in case it was needed and Council Member Horstman agreed to sit on this committee since he was attending the fact finding meetings with the Rescue Units.

With no further business to come before the Council a motion was made by Council Member McDonald moved to adjourn. A second was made by Council Member Armbrecht and the motion passed with 6 yes.

“ AYE “

“NAY”

Dephane Smith, Council President

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Brenda Wetzler

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Bill McDonald

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Bill Warren

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Mark Horstman

Mark Horstman

Ron Decker

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Edward Armbrecht

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ATTEST:

William Lee Wagner

Auditor, Ripley County

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