

# Ripley County Council Meeting

March 19, 2018

The Ripley County Council met on Monday, March 19, 2018 at the Ripley County Annex in Versailles, Indiana.

Council President Brenda Wetzler opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Council Members Ron Decker, Mark Horstman, Ed Armbrrecht, Dephane Smith, Bill Warren, and Brenda Wetzler were in attendance as well as Auditor Bill Wagner and County Attorney John Ertel. Council Member Chad Pindell was absent.

## Approval of January 15, 2018 minutes:

Council Member Smith moved to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2018 with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 5 yes and 1 abstaining (Bill Warren was not present for the January meeting.)

There was NO minutes for February due illnesses and lack of quorum and the meeting was canceled.

Additional Appropriations				
911/ Communications	\$56,882.23	1222.49000.000.0045 Statewide 911		4 new replacement APX Consolettes. Upgrade existing MCC5500 to latest release, Replace 2 APX 4500 mobiles and add 1 additional APX Consolette base radio and antenna system.
Council Member Decker moved to approve the request with a second from Council Member Smith. Motion passed with 6 yes				
Auditor	\$45,000.00	1191 33295.000.0293 Riverboat Gaming Fund		Funds for Fire Departments and Task Units didn't get budgeted.
	\$56,931.00	1181.37800.000.0018 Plat Book Fund		To appropriate funds for the Pictometry (aerial mapping)
Council Member Smith moved to approve the requests with a second from Council Member Warren. Motion passed with 6 yes				
Health Department	\$1,199.00	9144.49000.000.0000 RCDAC Tobacco Prevention		Replacing funds that were utilized to pay for equipment purchased 11/2017.
Council Member Decker moved to approve the request with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 6 yes				
Highway	\$15,000.00	1176.28600.000.0026 Highway - SALT		Currently salt is \$66.50 per ton. We are allowed 20% over our 650 ton allotment. Due to excessive cold temps. We had to use the extra salt along with cinders to melt the ice on the roadways. We have the opportunity to acquire more salt at this year's price before July 2018. Due to high salt demand delivery is taking 2 weeks instead of 2 days.
Council Member Warren moved to approve the request with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 6 yes.				
Transfer of funds				
		From	To	
911/ Communications	\$11,864.73	1222.33180.000.0045 911 Communications	1222.49000.000.0045 911 Communications	Transfer from the Equipment Lease account to Equipment account for the installation of 2 new APX4500 7/800 radios, 1 new APX Consolette and antenna system, installation of 4 new replacement APX consolettes, upgrade existing MCC5500 consoles to latest version.
Council Member Decker moved to approve the request with a second from Council member Smith. Motion passed with 6 yes.				

Auditor	\$77.11	1001.32800.000.0004 Co General - Meetings	1001.32200.000.0004 Co General - Dues	Needed more to pay for dues.
	\$19.50	1001.37900.000.0024 Utilities	1001.31300.000.0024 Auto Insurance	Not enough money to pay auto insurance.
	\$19.50	1001.37900.000.0013 Utilities	1001.31300.000.0013 Auto Insurance	Not enough money to pay auto insurance. .
Council Member Decker moved to approve the \$77.11 request with a second from Council Member Smith. Motion passed with 6 yes. Council member Smith then moved to approve ALL transfers by ALL departments to auto insurance with a second from Council Member Decker. Council Member Warren moved to approve ALL transfers by All departments to Workers Compensation with a second from Council Member Decker. Motion passed with 6 yes.				
Coroner	\$17.00	1001.28900.000.0010 Gas, Oil & Lubricants	1001.31300.000.0010 Auto Insurance	Insufficient funds were budgeted for Auto Insurance due to the information proved prior to budget hearings/budget process
EMA	\$49.00	1001.26500.000.0016 Community Preparedness Supplies	1001.31300.000.0016 Auto Insurance	Insufficient funds were budgeted for Auto Insurance due to the information proved prior to budget hearings/budget process
Health Department	\$52.00	1159.11160.000.0034 Health Fund - Nurse/Administrator	1159.31300.000.0034 Auto Insurance	Insufficient funds were budgeted for Auto Insurance and workman's compensation due to the information proved prior to budget hearings/budget process
	\$36.00	9144.11650.000.0000 TPC - Tobacco Prevention Coordinator	9144.19100.000.0000 Workmen's Compensation	
	\$7.00	1206.11140.000.0331 LHMF - Immunization Nurse/Registrar	1206.19100.000.0331 Workmen's Compensation	
	\$18.00	1168.11400.000.0037 LHMF-Immunization Nurse/Registrar	1168.19100.000.0037 Workmen's Compensation	
Highway	\$7,864.00	1176.13400.000.0027 Unemployment	1176.36400.000.0027 Liability Insurance	Liability Insurance was budgeted per instructions for same amount as for 2017. Liability Invoice came in \$7864 over the 2017 price, per email from Auditor's Office.
Council Member Smith moved to approve the request with a second from Council Member Warren. Motion passed with 6 yes				
Park & Recreation	\$127.00	1219.32700.000.0050 Mileage	1219.31300.000.0050 Auto Insurance	Insurance premium has increased.
Planning & Building	\$28.00	1001.32730.000.0015 Dues & Subscriptions	1001.31300.000.0015 Auto Insurance	See attached.
Prosecutor	\$8.00	4010.25300.000.0543 Office Supplies	4010.19100.000.0543 Workmen's Compensation	Insufficient funds were budgeted for workman's compensation due to the information proved prior to budget hearings/budget process
	\$7.00	2501.35100.000.0047 Depositions	2501.19100.000.0047 Workmen's Compensation	
	\$9.00	1001.26301.000.0019 Photo Copy Supplies	1206.19100.000.0019 Workmen's Compensation	
	\$5.00	1001.19100.000.0012 Bad Checks Supplies	1168.19100.000.0012 Workmen's Compensation	
Veterans	\$77.00	1001.35750.000.0054 Fuel & Maintenance	1001.31300.000.0054 Auto Insurance	Insufficient funds were budgeted for Auto Insurance due to the information proved prior to budget hearings/budget process

## Transfer of funds/Correction of Error

		From	To	
Health Department	\$323.49	9144.25300.000.0034 Tobacco Prevention Coalition	9144-25300.000.0000 Tobacco Prevention Coalition	Taken from wrong fund.

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

### Old Business:

The Veterans Dept. revised Salary Ordinance from 2017 and for 2018 were presented. Council Member Smith moved to approve both with a second from Council Member Decker. Motion passed with 6 yes.

The Council appointment for the Osgood Library Board was discussed. Council Member Decker who was the chair of the interview committee presented Ms. Debbie Carroll as the recommendation of the interview committee.

Council Member Smith then moved to approve Ms. Debbie Carroll to the Osgood Library Board with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 6 yes.

Council President Wetzler then read the recommendation of the Finance Committee concerning overtime for county employees. (This recommendation is attached as part of the minutes). Council Member Decker moved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee to be presented to the Commissioners to be accepted as the county policy. Council Member Horstman seconded and the motion passed with 6 yes. The recommendation will be given to the commissioners at the March 26, 2018 meeting for their consideration.

### New Business:

EMA—Mr. Patrick Rose was unable to attend the meeting but provided the Council with a letter explaining the funds received from Homeland (\$15,000.00) to pay IUPUI for their work on the update for the County All Hazard Mitigation Plan. The bill will be paid and the additional appropriations will be advertised for the next meeting for approval. Council Member Horstman moved to pay the fee with the funds received and approve the appropriations at the next meeting after they are advertised. Council Member Decker seconded and the motion passed with 6 yes.

Highway—Mr. RayToops

Mr. Toops appeared to discuss purchasing a third single axle dump truck with the Council. If all agreed it would take an additional appropriation of approximately \$50,000.00 over what they have on hand in the current budget. After a lengthy discussion the Council recommended Mr. Toops review the current highway budget and attempt to find the additional funding needed from the current budget line items. They will revisit this at the next Council meeting.

### OTHER INFORMATION:

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Jim Snyder appeared with a question as to why the minutes had not been updated since December 2017. He understood since the meeting in February was canceled and March was the first meeting to approve the January meeting. He then questioned if the Delaware Township Trustee had an office available to him that was not being used. He was informed by Auditor Wagner that when the old Delaware Township building was operating there was an office for the trustee. However when the fire department moved out the building reverted back to the Church and that office was no longer available. His last question was what happens if a Council Member currently under investigation for an alleged crime is found guilty. He was advised that since there was an ongoing investigation into the claim the Council was not able to discuss the alleged incident.

Mr. Donald Dunbar then spoke about the Commissioners not being able to get approval from the Council to spend the highway funds on hand.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Gary Norman**—Absent

**TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: Mr. Edward Armbrecht**—None

**E911 ADVISORY BOARD: Mr. Mark Horstman** —None

**SEI REGIONAL PLANNING COMM: Ms. Dephane Smith**—None

**GRANTS COMMITTEE: Ms. Dephane Smith** – None

**SOUTHEAST INDIANA RECYCLING: Mr. Bill Warren**—None

With no further business to attend, Council Member Horstman moved to adjourn with a second from Council Member Decker. Motion passed with 6 yes.

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