Ripley County Council Meeting

May 20, 2019

The Ripley County Council met on Monday, May 20, 2019 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, Lucinda Dunbar, Steven Gloyd, David Tebbing, William Warren, Stan Wiedeman and Brenda Wetzler were in attendance as well as Auditor Amy Copeland and County Attorney John Ertel.

Approval of April 15, 2019 minutes:

Council Member Decker moved to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2019 with a second from Council Member Dunbar. Motion passed with 6 yes and 1 abstain.

Rescind Transfer of Funds				
Court Services	$15,233.00	1122.37800.000.0000 Contractual Services	1122.32420.000.0000 Court Ordered Testing	The money has to be appropriated due to it not being there at the end of the 2018 year. There physical year runs from July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Court Services	$3,892.43	1122.113300.000.0000 Field Persons	1122.32420.000.0000 Court Ordered Testing	The money has to be appropriated due to it not being there at the end of the 2018 year. There physical year runs from July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Note:	Shannon rescinded these transfers from the April 15, 2019 Meeting.			

Transfer of Funds				
Health Department	$160.00	1159.32200.000.0034 General Health Fund/Due & Subscriptions	1159.32720.000.0034 Reg & Conference Fees	This is to cover the insufficient amount in the Registration & Conference Fees
Note:	Councilman Tebbing made the motion to approve $160.00 transfer for the Health Department, Councilman Decker 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.			
911 Communications	$1,000.00	1112.32901.000.0278 Edit Tax-Advertising	1112.32900.000.0278 Edit Tax-Printers	Transfer to printing account for office shop ink for laser printer, and hp printers
Note:	Councilman Warren made the motion to approve $1,000.00 transfer for the 911 Communications, Councilman Wiedeman 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.			
Court Services	$676.00	9127.18515.000.0000 Evening Program Case Manager	9127.37800.000.0000 Contractual Services	Transfer to printing account for office shop ink for laser printer, and hp printers

Note:	Councilman Decker made the motion to approve $676.00 transfer for Court Services, Councilman Warren 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.		
Tabled Additional Appropriations			
Highway Department	$22,400.00	1134.36103.000.0000 Covered Bridge	This is to help cover the $25,000 Insurance deductible from the wind storm damage on bridge 81
Note:	Councilman Decker made the motion to rescind the tabled additional appropriations, Councilman Tebbing 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes. Councilman Decker made the motion to approve both additional Appropriations for the Highway Department, Councilman Warren 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.		
Highway Department	$10,000.00	1135.36103.000.0000 Cumulative Bridge	This is to help cover the $25,000 Insurance deductible from the wind storm damage on bridge 81. This is also additional money that is not covered by insurance. EX: Preliminary assessment by engineer on bridge re-inspection
Note:	Councilman Decker made the motion to rescind the tabled additional appropriations, Councilman Tebbing 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes. Councilman Decker made the motion to approve both additional Appropriations for the Highway Department, Councilman Warren 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.		
Additional Appropriations			
Highway Department	$1,333,333.00	9141.32520.000.0000 Local Road & Bridge Matching/Bituminous	To pave 19.31 miles with asphalt (Dave O'Mara) through the Community Crossing Matching Grant
Note:	Councilman Dunbar made the motion to approve the $1,333,333.00 additional appropriation for the Highway Department, Councilman Warren 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.		
Court Services	$20,164.00	9130.32420.000.0000 Court Ordered Testing	In Fiscal year 2018 (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019) Ripley County Court Services had excess funds and was able to carry over the amount to this fiscal year. This money will be used for drug screening. IDOC has approved the request. The funds are from the IDOC grant and are not tax based.

Note:	Councilman Warren made the motion to approve the $20,164.00 additional appropriation for Court Services, Councilman Dunbar 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.		
Sheriff Department	$1,120.00	4909.14480.000.0308 Work Release/Group Insurance	Work Release Program ended March 2019. Needing to finish out the year.
Note:	Councilman Warren made the motion to approve the $1,120.00 and $4,670.00 additional appropriation for the Sheriff's Department, Councilman Decker 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.		
Sheriff Department	$4,670.00	4909.13300.000.0308 Work Release/11th Deputy Salary	Work Release Program ended March 2019. Needing to finish out the year.
Note:	Councilman Warren made the motion to approve the $1,120.00 and $4,670.00 additional appropriation for the Sheriff's Department, Councilman Decker 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.		

New Business:

911 Coordinator – Leah Hildebrand

Mrs. Hildebrand was in to ask for additional 911 dispatchers. Councilman Dunbar made the motion to add 1 full time employee at this time, Councilman Tebbing 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7 yes.

Historical Society – Mike Stratton

Mr. Stratton was in to talk about the covered bridge project.

EMS Director – Scott Huffman

Mr. Huffman was in with Rescue 69 Board Director Keith Seiverding. Mr. Huffman wanted the council to know that on May 21, 2019 at 23:00 hours the Ripley County EMS will be merging with Rescue 69.

OTHER INFORMATION:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Matt Chastain was in attendance as an EMA Volunteer. He wanted to give the council and update on EMA department and to advocate for a new EMA Director as soon as possible.

Ms. Cheryl Cornning was in to applaud the council on their decision about the covered bridge in Holton. She also wanted the council to know that she also thought a covered bridge festival would be a great idea and to even look into including the stone bridges in the county.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Gary Norman - none

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: Mr. Ron Decker – none

SEI REGIONAL PLANNING COMM: Ms. Lucinda Dunbar—None

GRANTS COMMITTEE:

SOUTHEAST INDIANA RECYCLING: Mr. David Tebbing - none

With no further business to attend, Council Member Decker moved to adjourn with a second from Council Member Warren. Motion passed with 7 yes.

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Brenda Wetzler, Council President	Brenda Wetzler, Council President
Stan Wiedeman	Stan Wiedeman
Lucinda Dunbar	Lucinda Dunbar
Bill Warren	Bill Warren
Steven Gloyd	Steven Gloyd
Ron Decker, President Pro Tem	Ron Decker, President Pro Tem
David Tebbing	David Tebbing

ATTEST:

Amy Copeland	Auditor, Ripley County	Amy Copeland