

Ripley County Council Meeting

September 15, 2014

The Ripley County Council met on Monday, September 15, 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, Ed Armbrecht, Brenda Wetzler, Bill McDonald and Mark Horstman were in attendance. Council Member Bill Warren was absent. Also in attendance were Attorney Ertel and Auditor Wagner.

Approval of the minutes from the August 18, 2014 meeting and August 26-29, 2014 Budget Reviews

Council Member Wetzler moved to approve the minutes of both meetings. Council Member Horstman seconded and the motion passed with 6 yes.

Council Member Armbrecht moved to recess the regular meeting and open the public hearing meeting. Council Member Wetzler seconded and the motion passed with 6 yes.

No patrons were present with any discussion of the budget for 2015.

Council Member Armbrecht moved to close the public hearing meeting and reconvene the regular meeting. Council Member Horstman seconded and the motion passed with 6 yes.

TRANSFERS AND ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

Transfer of funds				
		From	To	
Veterans Services	\$200.00	1001-34400-0000-0054 Telephone	1001-25300-0000-0054 Office Supplies	Funds needed for balance of year
Highway	\$10,000.00	1176-29100-0000-0027 Tires & Tubes	1176-25700-0000-0027 Garage & Motors	Shift of funds
Highway Local Road & Street	\$18,000.00	1169-32520-0000-0217 Bituminous	1169-34290-0000-0217 Stone	Shift of funds

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Additional Appropriations

Sheriff	\$48,000.00	1110-25700-0000-0007 Garage & Motors	Replace funds transferred for 11 th Deputy
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Council Member Decker moved to approve with a second from Council Member Horstman. Motion passed with 6 yes.

Commissioners	\$18,000.00	1001-37900-0000-0024 Annex Utilities	Pay utilities for balance of 2014
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Commissioners	\$3000.00	1001-37900-0000-0018 Extension Utilities	Pay Utilities for balance of 2014
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Council Member Armbrecht moved to approve both commissioner requests with a second from Council Member Wetzler. Motion passed With 6 yes.

Park & Recreation	\$2500.00	9109-49000-0000-0000 Black Memorial Fund	Purchase additional cameras for security
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Council Member McDonald moved to approve with a second from Council Member Wetzler. Motion passed with 5 yes and 1 no (Council Member Decker).

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OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

Patrick Rose advised the Emergency Management Agency Award from Homeland Security had been announced and Ripley County will receive \$8,485.29.

Also the bids to replace the radios had been received and he will advise once they have been reviewed.

OTHER INFORMATION:

Judge Jim Morris appeared in support of the Field Position for Probation that had been eliminated in budget reviews. He spoke of the importance of the position and requested that it be reconsidered. Chief Probation Officer Shannon Schmaltz also spoke of the need for the position.

Council Member Armbrecht moved to fund the position for 2015 for \$12,000.00 as requested. Council Member Wetzler seconded and the motion passed with 5 yes and 1 abstaining (Council Member McDonald)

A salary ordinance for the 11th Deputy was considered and Council Member Armbrecht moved to approve the ordinance effective 8-1-2014. Council Member Wetzler seconded and the motion passed with 6 yes.

Council President Smith presented the non-binding reviews for consideration.

Those equal to or less than the State Growth Quotient were considered first. Those included: Adams Township, Batesville Community Schools, Batesville Public Library, Center Township, Delaware Township, Franklin Township, Town of Holton, Jackson Township, Johnson Township, Milan Community Schools, Town of Osgood, Osgood Public Library, Shelby Township, Town of Versailles, and Washington Township.

Council Member Armbrecht moved to approve these budgets with a second from Council Member McDonald. Motion passed with 6 yes.

Those over the State Growth Quotient were considered next. Those included: City Of Batesville, Brown Township, Jac-Cen-Del Community Schools, Laughery Township, Town of Milan, Town of Napoleon, Otter Creek Township, South Ripley Community Schools, and Town of Sunman.

Council Member Armbrecht moved to make no recommendation for these budgets with a second from Council Member Decker. Motion passed with 6 yes.

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 – None

SOUTHEAST INDIANA RECYCLING: Mr. Bill McDonald—None

With no further business to come before the Council a motion was made by Council Member Armbrecht to adjourn. A second was made by Council Member Horstman 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

Bill Warren

Mark Horstman

Mark Horstman

Ron Decker

Ron Decker

Edward Armbrecht

Edward Armbrecht

ATTEST:

William Lee Wagner

Auditor, Ripley County

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