

DUBOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

February 26, 2018

The Dubois County Council met on Monday, February 26, 2018 in the Council Chambers in the Dubois County Annex. President Hunefeld called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Present at the meeting were Board Members Jerry R. Hunefeld, Charmian R. Klem, Doug Uebelhor, Craig M. Greulich, Mary E. Beckman, Michael Kluesner, Sonya Haas and Auditor Kathleen Hopf.

RE: MINUTES

President Hunefeld asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the January 29, 2018 and February 5, 2018 meetings. On motion made by Michael Kluesner, seconded by Craig M. Greulich, the minutes from both meetings were unanimously approved as written.

RE: DUBOIS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Highway Supervisor Steve Berg appeared to request an additional appropriation from the Highway Fund in the amount of \$650,000 for paving projects. On motion made by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Michael Kluesner, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Supervisor Berg requested an additional appropriation from the Local Road & Street Fund in the amount of \$150,000 for road projects. On motion made by Mary E. Beckman, seconded by Charmian R. Klem, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

RE: SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Sheriff Lampert appeared to request an additional appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$226,666 for the addition of a Deputy and 2 Jailers. Councilman Greulich opened discussion by stating that it was his opinion that we should wait until the completion of the wage study to make a decision on adding employees. Following some discussion, Craig M. Greulich made a motion to table the discussion pending results of the wage study. Following a second by Mary E. Beckman, the Council voted unanimously to table the request.

RE: DUBOIS EMS

EMS Director Suzan Henke appeared to give the Council a year-end report. Henke requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$11,000 from the Cum Cap Development Fund for installation of Zoll road rescue system installation and the deductible for equipment damaged in the October, 2017 ambulance accident. It was the unanimous consensus of the Council to advertise for the additional appropriation.

RE: HUNTINGBURG STELLAR PROJECT

EMA Director Tammy Humbert appeared regarding the possible move to Huntingburg, and the \$200,000 additional appropriation request that was tabled at the January 29, 2018 meeting. Charmian R. Klem made a motion to re-open the tabled discussion. The motion was seconded by Doug Uebelhor, and unanimously approved. Following discussion on changes to the additional funding that would be required by the County in order for the move to take place, Craig M. Greulich made a motion to deny the January 29, 2018 additional appropriation request in the amount of \$200,000. Following a second by Michael Kluesner, the Council voted unanimously to deny the request.

RE: TREASURER – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

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Treasurer Kitty Merkley appeared to request an additional appropriation in the amount of \$15,000 for the purchase of tax collection equipment for her office. It was the unanimous consensus of the Council to advertise for the additional appropriation.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation from the Pre-Trial Diversion Fund in the amount of \$3,375 for ISP Officer training and Huntingburg Drug Enforcement. On motion made by Charmian R. Klem, seconded by Mary E. Beckman, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation from the Pre-Trial Diversion Fund in the amount of \$2,802 for radar equipment for the Jasper Police Department. On motion made by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Sonya Haas, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation from the CASA Fund in the amount of \$3,000 for equipment. On motion made by Craig M. Greulich, seconded by Mary E. Beckman, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$3,000 from the Auditor's Ineligible Homestead Fund for Office Supplies. On motion made by Michael Kluesner, seconded by Charmian R. Klem, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

RE: AMENDMENT TO THE SALARY ORDINANCE

Auditor Hopf presented an Amendment to the Salary Ordinance for Circuit Court Bailiff at the rate of \$100 per day. On motion made by Mary E. Beckman, seconded by Craig M. Greulich, the Amendment was unanimously approved.

RE: TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

Auditor Hopf requested a transfer of appropriations in the amount of \$4,500 from CASA Building Upkeep/Maintenance into Equipment. On motion made by Charmian R. Klem, seconded by Mary E. Beckman, the transfer was unanimously approved.

RE: WAGE STUDY

Charmian R. Klem informed the Council that the Wage Study should be wrapped up in the near future, and a presentation will be made to the Commissioners and Council at their March 19th meetings.

RE: NEXT MEETINGS

The Council will meet at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers on March 19, 2018 and April 23, 2018 in the Commissioners' Chambers in the Courthouse Annex.