

MINUTES
JACKSON COUNTY COUNCIL
June 19, 2013
6:00 PM

Members Present: Councilman Charlie Murphy, Councilman Leon Pottschmidt, Councilman Greg Prange, Councilman Brian Thompson and Councilwoman Rebecca Schepman.

Members Absent: Councilman Joe Bowman, Councilman Brian Wheeler,

Councilman Charlie Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Sheriff Mike Carothers performed the swearing in of the Council. The Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Councilman Brian Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2013 meeting. Councilman Greg Prange seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilman Leon Pottschmidt stated that he, Councilman Joe Bowman and Councilwoman Becky Schepman had met with the County Surveyor and discussed the possibility of changes to staffing levels for 2014.

Jim Plump came before council as a representative for two abatements. He spoke on behalf of Tampico Grain and Brickyard Lumber.

Tampico Grain: Plump stated that the original abatement was granted January 18, 2012. Plans were to begin construction in 2012, but due to setbacks the construction did not begin until after March 1, 2013. After discussion, council agreed that year one (1) of the abatement will be for the 2014 pay 2015 tax year. Council advised Tampico Grain to do proper compliance paperwork next year.

Brickyard Lumber: Plump stated that the original abatement was granted in 2008. Production did not begin until 2012. Brickyard Lumber has not completed yearly compliance since the abatement was granted. After discussion, council agreed that year one (1) of the abatement was 2011 pay 2012 and that year two (2) was 2012 pay 2013. Brickyard Lumber will not receive the abatement for these years but will receive year three (3) of the abatement for tax year 2013 pay 2014. Brickyard Lumber was advised to continue yearly compliance.

JL Brewer, Community Corrections Director, brought before council Community Corrections budget for July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014. Discussion was held regarding how funds are received and how these funds are spent. Councilman Prange asked Brewer of the possibility of a program that involves students suspended from school performing community service while on the suspension. Brewer advised Councilman Prange to discuss this matter with Judge MacTavish.

Council then discussed two appointments to the Board of Review. There were two (2) positions to fill, each a one (1) year term and at least one of the appointees must be a level 2. After discussion, Councilman Thompson made a motion to appoint Jim Davis and Kenny Spoor to these positions. Councilman Leon Pottschmidt seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.

Council then addressed Ordinance 17, Council Bill #11. Councilman Murphy performed the First Reading of Ordinance #17, Bill #11. Councilman Prange made a motion to approve upon first reading. Councilman Pottschmidt seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried. Second reading was then given by Councilman Murphy,

- \$75,000 General Fund -Dispatch monies receipted into General fund in March already approved by the 911 Board to be entered into Dispatch appropriation 1-5-115. Councilman Prange made a motion to approve upon second reading. Councilman Thompson seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.
- \$64,040 -Highway-\$3,200.80 recycle money received to be receipted into appropriation 2-202-232 culverts/sewer pipe. \$30,000 for 2-202-233 Bituminous Mixed Agg. \$27,201.54 National Forest Money received to be receipted into appropriation 2-202-233 Bituminous Mixed Agg.\$1,500 for 2-202-242 Cement Ready Mix. \$2,136.52 for 2-204-362 Truck Repair for repair of lightning loader Councilman Prange made a motion to approve upon second reading. Councilman Thompson seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.
- \$100,000 -Cumulative Bridge Fund-Bridge #228 appropriation 25-115-228 - Councilman Prange made a motion to approve upon second reading. Councilman Thompson seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.
- \$37,509 –Local Roads and Streets-appropriation 26-116-10-beginning cash amount in the fund to use for paving. Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve upon second reading. Councilman Prange seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.

County Auditor, Kathy Hohenstreiter, approached council with a request to transfer funds. Councilman Murphy then performed first reading of this request in the form of Resolution #8, Council Bill #12 – A resolution to transfer monies within the General Fund Budget of the County of Jackson, Indiana.

General Fund-Auditor-1-2-211 (Office Supplies) to 1-2-395 (Maintenance Agreement) for the amount of \$1,612.91 to cover annual maintenance agreements on printer in Auditor office and copier shared with the Treasurer office.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve upon first reading. Councilwoman Schepman seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried. Councilman Murphy then recited the second reading of Resolution #8, Council Bill #12. Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve upon second reading. Councilwoman Schepman seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.

Jackson County Sheriff Mike Carothers presented Council with the Jackson County Jail May 2013 monthly report, the May 2013 Meal Expenditure Report and the May 2013 Dog Detention Report.

Juvenile Detention Center Director, John Long presented the May 2013 Report for the Detention Center to Council.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard gave council an update on insurance costs so far for 2013. He stated that being halfway through the year, the county has expended 2/3 of the

amount budgeted for insurance. Hubbard also updated council on the SIHO – 4 Your Health Clinic. He stated that 39% of employees have used the clinic within the first three months. Councilman Thompson then asked Hubbard for an update on the phone system. Discussion was held about price and the system capabilities.

Councilman Thompson then discussed the override of the Governor’s veto. Thompson stressed the importance of Barnes and Thornburg and their assistance with HB 1546. Auditor Hohenstreiter asked council if they received the email regarding the IRS suggestion of creating an ordinance regarding this matter.

County Auditor, Kathy Hohenstreiter asked for council guidance regarding paying current invoices from Reedy Financial. Council advised Hohenstreiter to pay the invoice from the Rainy Day fund. They advised Hohenstreiter to bring monthly invoices from Reedy Financial to monthly council meeting for direction of payment. Council discussed approaching Reedy Financial about creating a contract for 2014.

Signed this 17th day of July, 2013

Charlie Murphy – President

Joe Bowman

Brian Wheeler

Brian Thompson

Becky Schepman

Leon Pottschmidt

Greg Prange

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest

