

MINUTES
JACKSON COUNTY COUNCIL

June 15, 2016

6:00 PM

Members Present: Councilman Leon Pottschmidt, Councilman Brian Thompson, Councilman Michael Davidson, Councilwoman Bridey Jacobi, Councilman Charlie Murphy, and Councilwoman Becky Schepman

Members Absent: Councilman Joe Bowman

Councilman Charlie Murphy called the Regular meeting to order at 6:00pm.

The Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sheriff Mike Carothers performed the swearing in of the Council.

Councilman Brian Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2016 meeting minutes, as presented. Councilman Leon Pottschmidt seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from Other Committees: None

Dan Hodge and Dan Davis on behalf of the Jackson County Education Coalition appeared before Council to discuss the possibility of adding the Coalition to the 2017 Budget to help fund their budget. Discussion was held as to what the coalition does and programs that are offered. Hodge stated that the coalitions annual budget is \$250,000- \$300,000 and they are asking the Council to consider 10% for the 2017 budget. The budgeted amount would be \$30,000 and would be in the Commissioners Budget. Council thanked Hodge and Davis for their time and work and will consider this as the 2017 budget is discussed.

JL Brewer then presented the 2016-2017 Community Corrections Budget. Brewer reminded Council that their budget runs from July 1 – June 30. The presented budget has been approved by the state. Brewer also presented a Financial Statement for the department through the end of May 2016.

Councilman Murphy then performed the 2nd reading of Ordinance #10, GO Bond Series 2016 B. Councilwoman Bridey Jacobi made a motion to read the Ordinance by title only. Councilwoman Becky Schepman seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried. Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve upon 2nd reading. Gabe with Reedy Financial was there to discuss any questions and stated that they are projecting the interest rate to be lower than stated. Councilwoman Schepman seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilman Murphy then performed the 1st reading of Additional Ordinance 2016 - #12. Councilman Pottschmidt made a motion to approve upon 1st reading. Councilman Thompson seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried. Councilman Murphy then performed the 2nd reading of Additional Ordinance 2016-#12. Councilwoman Jacobi made a motion to approve upon 2nd reading. The ordinance is for the following:

County Cum Cap Development Fund - 1138-43009 Computer IT - \$36,689

2016 LOIT Special Distribution - 1229-40320 Contract Paving - \$882,113

Councilman Michael Davidson seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Auditor Kathy Hohenstreiter then discussed the following with Council:

1. INDOT has extended the deadline for the Community Crossing Matching Grant until July 29th, 2016.
2. Hohenstreiter presented a Wheel Tax Form that must be submitted stating whether or not the county has or is implementing a Wheel Tax. Councilman Thompson made a motion that the county NOT implement a wheel tax. Councilwoman Schepman seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.
3. The 2017 budget – discussed giving members 3% raise, appropriating \$140 for dues and \$45,000 for Financial Advisor.

Councilman Murphy stated that the State Called Council Meeting is coming up, if anyone is available to attend.

Councilman Murphy then stated that Public Defender, Alan Marshall attended the Public Defender meeting about reimbursements to the county. Jackson County will be reimbursed 40% of Purchase Price of the Building used as the Public Defender's office.

Juvenile Detention Center Director, Steve Redicker presented the departments May 2016 Monthly Report. Redicker also stated that the Centers annual inspection was completed last month and they received 100% compliance.

Sheriff Mike Carothers then presented the April 2016 Jail Report, Meal Expenditure Report, Dog Detention Report and the Inmate Judicial Status Report. Sheriff Carothers stated that Red Sky Rescue has asked for an increase in pay to continue to take the County stray dogs. Sheriff Carothers stated that Council members received a copy of the DOC letter of noncompliance for the department. Discussion was held about a committee being formed to look at the whole process in order to streamline/speed up this process in order to help the overcrowding issue at the Jail.

Councilman Murphy then read the Internal Control Standards and Materiality Threshold Ordinance #11, Commissioner Bill #10. Councilman Pottschmidt made a motion to approve the ordinance, as is required by State. Councilwoman Schepman seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilwoman Jacobi made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Davidson seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at 6pm.

Signed this 20th day of July, 2016.

Charlie Murphy – President

Joe Bowman

Michael Davidson

Becky Schepman

Bridey Jacobi

Brian Thompson

Leon Pottschmidt

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest