

REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2019

The Scott County Council met in Regular Session on June 11, 2019 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Room, Suite 128, Courthouse. Those present were Council members Mike Zollman, Iva Gasaway, Donnie Richie, Ab Watts, Rachael Hardin, Raymond Jones, and Robert Peacock. Also present were Chief Deputy Auditor Teresa Vannarsdall, Auditor Tammy Johnson, and Attorney Mike Carter.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Zollman who opened the floor to public comments. No comments were made by the public.

PRESENTATION ON WHEEL TAX AND EXCISE SURTAX

Highway Supervisor Jill Baker introduced Patrick Conner to provide information on Local Option Highway Users Tax. Wheel and Excise Surtax are methods allowed by statute for counties to generate tax revenue for road maintenance.

SHERIFF GRANT APPLICATION REQUEST AND OUT OF COUNTY INMATE HOUSING FUND

Sheriff Jerry Goodin requested approve to apply for a grant in the amount of \$7,353.20 from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. If awarded, the grant would reimburse overt time wages for deputies to monitor traffic violations directly related to school buses or Start Arm Violations.

MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve the application to ICJI for the \$7,353.20 grant to reimburse traffic monitoring for school bus safety violations. Second provided by Watts. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Goodin informed the Board that Commissioners had established the Out of County Inmate Housing Fund. The fund is non-reverting and is for the collection of revenue generated from the housing of out of county inmates. The money would then be used for wages, fuel, and the repair and maintenance of vehicles in the Sheriff’s Department.

HVAC EMERGENCY AT JAIL AND SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Sheriff Jerry Goodin reported that the HVAC system failed in the old portion of the Jail. The Board of Commissioners declared an emergency on June 5, 2019 due to several factors and in accordance with IC 36-1-12-9. Commissioners will be opening bids at a Special meeting set on June 13, 2019.

MOTION: Gasaway motioned to approve support up to \$400,000 for the emergency replacement of the HVAC system in the old portion of the Jail. Second provided by Peacock. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Goodin went on to explain his ideas for improvements at the Jail. Goodin spoke of the possibility of the old church being remodeled for office space and the addition of 16 beds after the old portion of the Jail is reconfigured. Goodin assured the Board that he would be consulting with the State Jail Inspector to ensure we are meeting the requirements.

Sheriff Goodin stated the HIV medication will not be provided to inmates by the State after 180 days of incarceration. An extension was given until July 31, 2019 and he is working with the Health Department for lower cost solutions than the current estimate of \$4,500 a month per inmate.

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Sheriff Goodin informed the Board that Commissioners had signed the SRO agreement with Scott County School District #2. Goodin had also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with SCSD#2 as well. Goodin inquired as to when the SROs could be hired. He stated Police Academy would start on August 14, 2019.

MOTION: Richie motioned that permission be given to Sheriff Goodin to start the process of hiring the three (3) School Resource Officers on July 1, 2019. Second provided by Gasaway. Motion carried unanimously.

The Auditor was asked to list the SRO positions separately on the Salary Ordinance when amended.

BARRIER DOOR IN RECORDER'S OFFICE

Discussion on the appropriation needed to install a barrier in the Recorder's Office was tabled. Commissioner Lizenby said the project may be part of several to be discussed at a later date.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT GRANT APPLICATION REQUEST

Health Department Director Michelle Matern brought three (3) grant applications for the board to consider. Matern requested permission to apply for the following: An advance payment grant of \$5,000 from the Indiana AIDS fund for educational training; a reimbursable grant in the amount of \$56,595 from the Indiana State Department of Health to fund immunizations and 50% of the salary of the County's second Public Health Nurse; and a reimbursable grant in the amount of \$120,000 from the Indiana State Department of Health renewing the two (2) HIV Care Coordinator positions by funding the salaries, fringes, and supporting services (travel, office supplies, etc.).

MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve all three grant application requests, as described above, for funding of programs and positions at the Health Department. Second provided by Gasaway. Motion carried unanimously.

HOSPITAL RESERVE AND RAINY DAY FUNDS

Councilman Jones stated his position on the Hospital Reserve Fund by saying the fund had adequately been shared with County offices (Highway, EMS, Health), the cities of Austin and Scottsburg, and School Districts #1 and #2. The fund had also helped organizations such as the County Museum and the Fairgrounds Association. Jones said the historical review also revealed that no money had been set aside for County emergencies. Jones felt that good stewards of county funds would provide for times of emergency and improve our credit rating. Jones reported that after obligations are met with both school districts, the Hospital Reserve Fund would have a balance of \$2,349,070.

MOTION: Jones motioned to move \$2,000,000, transferred from the Hospital Reserve Fund to the Rainy Day Fund, leaving an unobligated balance of \$349,070 in the HRF. Second provided by Zollman. Motion failed with two (2) in favor and five (5) opposed.

Gasaway commented that the topic was discussed a few months ago with the consensus to delay discussion until the 2020 Budget meetings. Zollman added that he would like to see \$150,000 put in Rainy Day each year. Peacock said it was a budget issue and would like to know which Board has control of the Rainy Day fund. Jones said the matter was not a budget item.

CONSIDERATION OF APRIL 9, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the April 9, 2019 meeting were presented for consideration and approval.

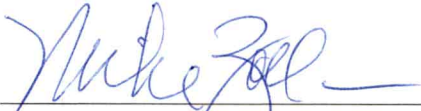
MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve the minutes, as written, from the April 9, 2019 meeting. Second provided by Watts. Motion carried unanimously.


ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

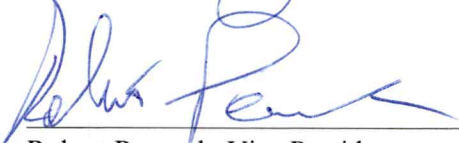
Members were asked to bring nominations to the next meeting for the appointment to the ABC.

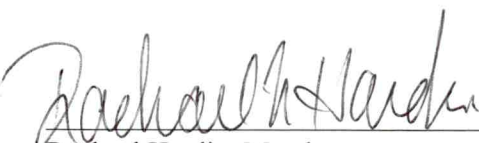
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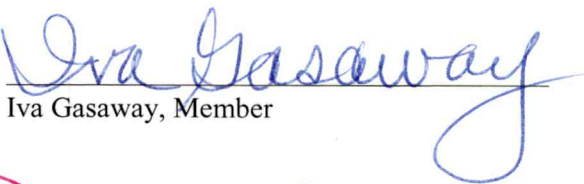
With no other business, Watts motioned to adjourn the June 11, 2019 Regular meeting of the Council. Second provided by Zollman. Motion carried unanimously.

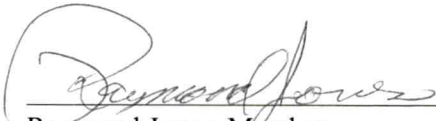

Mike Zollman, President


Ab Watts, Member



Robert Peacock, Vice President


Rachael Hardin, Member


Iva Gasaway, Member


Raymond Jones, Member


Donnie Richie, Member

ATTEST: 
Tammy Stout Johnson, Scott County Auditor