

REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY COUNCIL
MAY 10, 2022

The Scott County Council met in Regular Session on May 10, 2022 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Suite 128, Courthouse, First Floor. Those present were Council members Rachael Hardin, Lyndi Hughbanks, Donnie Richie, Ab Watts, Eric Gillespie, Raymond Jones, and Diane Mullins. Also present was Chief Deputy Auditor Teresa Vannarsdall.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hardin who opened the meeting with roll call, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation. Hardin opened the floor for public comments. No comments were made by the public.

PROPOSED LOW BAND RADIO SYSTEM

EMA/E911 Director Jeff Fortner informed Council that today was the deadline to finalize the order of the equipment for the second local low band radio system. A letter was read from the Scott County Fire Chiefs Association. The letter referred to the current low band radio system's shortcomings. The Chiefs recommended the new low band communication system to increase safety. Also recommended was the creation of a long range plan to use an 800 MHz system for emergency communications when affordable. EMS Director Nick Oleck commented that the letter of support from the Fire Chiefs would have been for the 800 MHz, but the cost factor was the issue.

MOTION: Hughbanks moved to advertise \$560,000 as an additional appropriation from the ARPA fund for the purchase of the low band radio system and radio reprogramming as approved by Commissioners. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried with four (4) in favor and three (3) opposed (Richie, Mullins, and Gillespie).

SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE ELECTION PAY

Clerk Michelle Shelton requested approval of the compensation amounts of workers for the General Election. Shelton proposed the following pay changes: Poll Clerks from \$100 to \$200; Judges from \$125 to \$225; Inspectors from \$150 to \$250 (Finley, Vienna, Johnson); and Inspectors from \$200 to \$300 (Jennings, Lexington, Vienna).

MOTION: Watts moved to approve the pay changes as listed above for the General Election workers. Second provided by Richie. Motion carried unanimously.

SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT MECHANIC POSITION; ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FROM AUCTION PROCEEDS FUND

Highway Department Supervisor Kevin Hall explained that two (2) Equipment Operator positions were currently unfilled. Hall requested one (1) Operator be deleted to allow for a second Mechanic position.

MOTION: Hughbanks moved to decrease the Highway Equipment Operator positions by one (1) and increase the Highway Mechanic positions by one (1). Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

Hall requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$12,000 from the Highway Auction Proceeds Fund to cover the design expenses of the proposed new building for salt storage and wash bay.

MOTION: Hughbanks moved to approve a \$12,000 additional appropriation for the professional services expense for the design of a proposed building from the Highway Auction Proceeds fund. Second provided by Hardin. Motion carried unanimously.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE LINE ITEM CREATION AND TRANSFER REQUEST

Building Maintenance Supervisor Josh Colwell brought his proposal for contractual cleaning services. The recent resignation of the Custodian prompted Colwell to look at the options of hiring

a replacement or an alternative solution to be more cost effective. Colwell compared the wages and benefits of a full time custodian versus a contract and part time position. The savings for using a contract vendor and a part time for 706 hours per year was estimated to save between \$18,277 to \$37,471 per year, depending on the insurance coverage. Colwell's plan was approved by the Board of Commissioners.

MOTION: Hughbanks moved to create a line item (#30103) for Contractual Cleaning in the Custodian budget portion of County General fund. Second provided by Watts. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Hughbanks moved to approve the transfer request of \$16,000 from the Custodian line item (#11601) to the newly created Contractual Cleaning line item (#30103) in the Custodian budget portion of County General fund. Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

PURDUE EXTENSION UPDATE

Megan Voyles of Purdue Extension updated members on recent happenings.

SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REQUESTS FOR COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO CASE MANAGER; ADDITIONAL CASE MANAGER GRANT POSITION; AND INTERIM DIRECTOR PAY

Interim Community Corrections Director Amanda Hurt requested approval for a change in compensation for an Administrative Assistant that would be performing Case Worker duties. The annual earnings would increase from \$32,468.80 to \$38,064 if approved.

MOTION: Watts moved to amend the 2022 Salary Ordinance to decrease a Community Corrections Administrative Assistant position and add a Case Worker position. Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

Hurt informed Council that a new Case Manager (#3) position was included in the 2022 Corrections Grant. If the position was not filled, then the funding would be returned this year and not included in the next grant.

MOTION: Mullins moved to amend the 2022 Salary Ordinance to add another Corrections Case Manager, bringing the total to three (3). Second provided by Hughbanks. Motion carried unanimously.

Richie discussed Hurt's appointment as Interim Director in February 2022. Richie reported that the Community Corrections Advisory Board recommended that the Interim Director be compensated at the rate of the Director position. Richie said the CCAB recommended \$51,000 for the annual compensation. Note: The Community Corrections Director compensation was adopted at \$49,857.60 for 2022.

MOTION: Watts moved to amend the 2022 Salary Ordinance to increase the Interim Director's annual compensation to \$51,000. Second provided by Richie. Motion carried unanimously.

Richie said the CCAB recommended the change in pay for the Interim Director be retroactive to the appointment in February 2022.

MOTION: Richie moved to amend the 2022 Salary Ordinance to pay the increase the Interim Director's annual compensation retroactive to February 2022 (when appointed). Second provided by Hughbanks. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FROM RENTAL PROCEEDS FUND

In April a \$15,000 additional appropriation was approved for the purchase of a 2021 Durango to use as an EMS chase vehicle. The 2021 model was no longer available, but for an additional \$5,500 a 2022 Durango could be purchased for EMS. Commissioners approved paying the extra needed to purchase the 2022 model of \$5,500 from the Rental Proceeds Fund if approved by Council.

MOTION: Hughbanks moved to approve the additional appropriation of \$5,500 from the Rental Proceeds Fund to cover the difference in purchase price of the 2022 Durango for EMS. Second provided by Hardin. Motion carried with six (6) in favor and one (1) opposed (Gillespie).

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FROM DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FUND

An additional appropriation in the amount of \$5,000 from Drainage Board Users Fees (#2507) was requested to cover professional services provided by HWC Engineering.

MOTION: Watts moved to approve a \$5,000 additional appropriation for Professional Services from the Drainage Board Users Fee fund (#2507). Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FROM LIT SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND

An additional appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 from the LIT Special Purpose fund was requested to cover the continuing cost of HIV medical care for Jail inmates.

MOTION: Gillespie moved to approve a \$25,000 additional appropriation for the medical care expenses of the HIV positive Jail inmates. Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

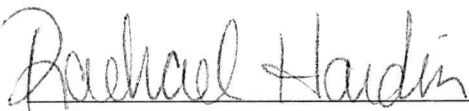
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND

Commissioners approved expenditures up to \$450,000 from the ARPA funds for all expenses related to the roof emergency on the original (1873 construction) portion of the Courthouse. The structural integrity of the roof was compromised which led to the Judge's condemnation of Circuit Court. Circuit Court relocated to the Mid America Science Park. Commissioners and Council met in Joint Session on April 22 regarding the matter.

MOTION: Jones moved to approve the \$450,000 additional appropriation from the American Rescue Plan Act fund for expenses related to the roof failure emergency on the original portion of the Courthouse. Second provided by Hardin. Motion carried unanimously.

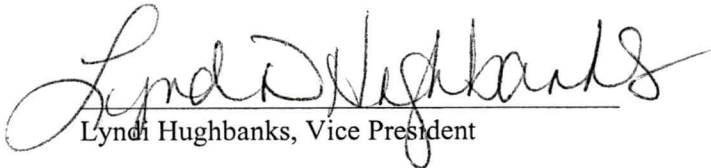
ADJOURNMENT

With there being no other business, Jones moved to adjourn the May 10, 2022 Regular meeting of the Scott County Council. Second provided by Richie. Motion carried unanimously.

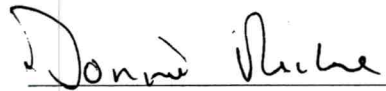


Rachael Hardin, President

Ab Watts, Member

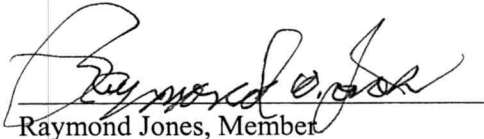


Lyndi Hughbanks, Vice President

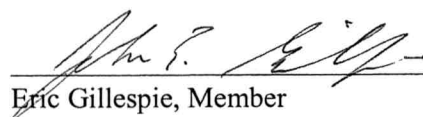


Donnie Richie, Member

Diane Mullins, Member

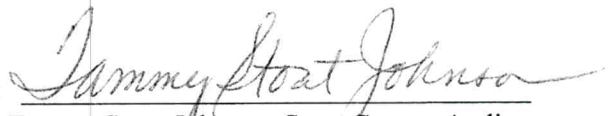


Raymond Jones, Member



Eric Gillespie, Member

ATTEST:



Tammy Stout Johnson, Scott County Auditor