

REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY COUNCIL
March 14, 2023

The Scott County Council met in Regular Session on March 14, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Room, Suite 128, Courthouse. Those present were Council Members: Lyndi Hughbanks, John Collins, JR Ward, John Miller, Jonathon White, Diane Mullins and Eric Gillespie (late). Also present were Auditor Jennifer Rode Hamelman and Chief Deputy Auditor Deborah Richey.

The meeting was called to order by President Hughbanks, who opened the meeting with roll call, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSIDERATION OF LEGAL SERVICES

MOTION: Collins moved to enter into a contract with Heather Archibald-Peters as Scott County Council Attorney. Second provided by Ward. Motion carried with a vote of six to zero with Gillespie not having arrived.

ANDREW CAMPBELL – IT DIRECTOR

Campbell requested \$28,808.49 from ARPA funds for a cell phone booster. Ward stated this may be necessary but may be built into other expenses with possible courthouse renovations and would be wasteful to install and remove during renovations. Hughbanks advised waiting to spend ARPA before possible renovations are considered.

MOTION: Collins moved to table until we see what renovations consist of and the best use of ARPA funds. Miller provided second. Motion carried unanimously.

KEVIN HALL – HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Hall requested that money be made available for transfer to pay the County portion of Community Crossing Matching Grant Funding. He has applied for full amount CCMG and will need to be ready when the award is announced.

MOTION: Ward moved that money is appropriated and can be transferred in the amount of \$333,333.33. Collins provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

NICK OLECK – EMS DIRECTOR

Oleck requested that line items be created in Fund 1237 for payroll from Opioid Abatement Funds.

MOTION: Ward moved to create line items for payroll in Fund 1237 (Opioid Abatement Funds) for payroll. Mullins provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

Oleck requested the Council set a rate of pay for the events at the Scott County Fairgrounds in the summer that require a dedicated Ambulance on the grounds. Ward requested the Ordinance be reviewed by Counsel before approving an hourly rate to avoid violating labor laws. Oleck explained that Scott County EMS had to provide service due to the closed county status. The County will not fund any event but a line item will need be created to hold funds. Ward requested tabling until April 11, 2023 meeting to allow attorney review of the ordinance. The first event is April 12, 2023.

MOTION: Ward moved to table until April 11, 2023 meeting. Miller provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

Oleck requested a line item be created in Fund 9173, dues and subscriptions for the Baby Box. Money was already appropriated but no line item was created during budget.

MOTION: Miller moved to create a line item within Fund 9173 for dues and subscriptions for the Baby Box. Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

Oleck requested the creation of a Community Paramedicine Line Item and Rate of Pay for the new program. The rate of pay will be at overtime rates. There will be no additional employees, he will use overtime to man the program. Oleck states we have a two-year window on this grant to see what the true cost will be. The grant entity supplies the vehicle and insurance. The county supplies the equipment, supplies and employees. This grant will require three line items for; Paramedic, FICA, Social Security, and Supplies. The suggested rate of pay is \$25.00 an hour with the overtime rate at \$37.50. The job description is the same as a Paramedic.

MOTION: Ward moved to set up fund for Community Paramedic Grant with fund number to be determined by Auditor. Second provided by Collins. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Ward moved to create line items within the Community Paramedic Fund for Paramedic, FICA, Social Security and Supplies. Second provided by Collins. Motion carried unanimously.

MIKE CHESSEY VISITOR COMMISSION DIRECTOR

Chesser requested that Adrian Smallwood's salary be reinstated at the 2023 proposed budget of \$26,546 and to reinstate his salary to the 2022 Council approved budget of \$57,881.25. Ward stated he is not interested in changing salaries outside of budget time.

MOTION: Ward moved to leave Visitor's Commission salaries as set until the next budget. Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

KATRINA CORYELL SCOTT – SCOTT COUNTY PARTNERSHIP

Scott requested approval of \$20,000 from Opioid Abatement Funding to the Scott County Partnership that was already approved by the Board of Commissioners.

MOTION: Mullins moved to approve \$20,000 from Opioid Abatement Funds to Scott County Partnership. Second provided by Ward. Motion carried unanimously.

AMANDA HURT – COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Hurt requested a Pretrial Case Manager position be approved for IRAC funding through the jail. A line item will need to be created in Fund 2503 User Fee to pay for this position. This position will be funded by user fees and IRAC Grant. IRAC Grant is good for one year beginning now and Community Corrections will be able to fund from user fees even without the grant.

MOTION: Miller moved to create a line item in Fund 2503 @ \$18.85 x 40 hours for Pretrial Case Manager. Second provided by Mullins. Motion carried unanimously.

MICHELLE SHELTON – CLERK

Shelton stated the 2023 budget approved Mechanics increased salary to \$1,500, but the salary Ordinance was not updated. Shelton requested an amendment to the salary ordinance.

MOTION: Ward moved to create Amendment 23-001 to the 2023 Salary Ordinance increasing Mechanic's salary to \$1,500 and including verbiage that any elected official can be compensated for any work on election day, as long as they are not on the ballot. Second provided by Collins. Motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF COMMISSARY REPORT

Ward called State Board of Accounts and stated they did not approve of the commissary report presented to Council. He requests the Sheriff provide the Commissary Report on Form 205 with supporting documentation.

MOTION: Ward moved to reject the Commissary Report and give the Sheriff until the meeting on April 11, 2023 to produce report on SF205 or SBOA approved form. Second provided by Collins. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

MOTION: Mullins moved to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 meeting. Second provided by Gillespie. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MITCHELL, ALLEN & RITZ INVOICE

Mitchell, Allen and Ritz Architect invoice for \$16,000 was presented for payment.

MOTION: Highbanks moved to pay Mitchell, Allen & Ritz Architect invoice in the amount of \$16,000 out of the Commissioner’s Budget line 30701 Professional Services. Second provided by Gillespie. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Gillespie moved to adjourn the February 14, 2023 Regular Meeting. Second provided by Ward. Motion carried unanimously.

Lyndi Highbanks, President

John Collins, Member

JR Ward, Vice President

John Miller, Member

Eric Gillespie, Member

Jonathon White, Member

Diane Mullins, Member

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer Rode Hamelman, Auditor

