

REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 10, 2020

The Scott County Council met in Regular Session on November 10, 2020 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Suite 128, Courthouse, First Floor. Those present were Council members Mike Zollman, Donnie Richie, Ab Watts, Robert Peacock, Rachael Hardin, Raymond Jones, and Iva Gasaway via video. Also present were Auditor Tammy Stout Johnson and Chief Deputy Auditor Teresa Vannarsdall.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Zollman who opened the meeting with roll call and allowance for public comments. No comments were made by the public.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TRANSFER REQUESTS; DEPUTY PAY REQUEST

Council members congratulated Sheriff Jerry Goodin on being named Indiana's Sheriff of the Year for 2020. Goodin attributed his recognition to all involved with the operation of his Department, including the Council for their role in funding his projects.

Sheriff Goodin requested approval for transfers in the Sheriff's Budget (#1170) from line items Fuel (#22702) in the amount of \$7,000; OT/Compensation (#12901) in the amount of \$6,000; and Training/Investigating (#13300) in the amount of \$7,000 totaling \$20,000 to Replacement/OT Compensation (#12201) line item.

Sheriff Goodin also requested approval for transfers in the Sheriff's Budget (#1170) from Software (#38502) in the amount of \$6,000 and Overtime (#12001) in the amount of \$40,000 totaling \$46,000 to Tires and Parts (#22101) in the amount of \$20,000; Office Supply (#21000) in the amount of \$5,000; Uniforms (#35104) in the amount of \$17,000; and Investigator (#13100) in the amount of \$4,000.

MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve the transfer requests as described above totaling \$20,000 to the Replacement/OT Compensation line in the Sheriff's Budget (#1170) and totaling \$46,000 distributed to the applicable line items as described above. Seconded by Gasaway. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Goodin requested consideration of a transfer request in the Sheriff's budget in General Fund of \$5,000 from Fuel (#22700) and \$18,000 from Hospitalization (#32400) totaling \$23,000 distributed to Contractual Services (#30100) in the amount of \$22,000 and Overtime Compensation (#12901) in the amount of \$1,000.

Sheriff Goodin requested another transfer of \$20,000 into the Part Time (#11400) line item in the Sheriff's Budget in General Fund.

MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve the transfer requests to the line items in the Sheriff's portions of LIT; Jail, and General Fund as needed, with the stipulation that any unbalanced transfers be brought before the Council. Seconded by Gasaway. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Goodin requested consideration of an unusual circumstance of a retired Scott County Officer returning to full time duty. Due to pension recalculation after the officer would draw again, Goodin requested that the returning retiree be placed at the rate of pay equivalent to a 20 year officer on the pay matrix. The officer is currently being paid at Entry level, which is lower than his highest wage during his previous time with the County. Sheriff Goodin stated he was to blame for the assumption on the rate of pay and did not want to have confusion in the future. Goodin read a stipulation to be added to the pay matrix, effective January 1, 2021 that would place any returning retiree officer at the entry level compensation. Auditor Johnson explained that WIS was consulted on the matter. Addie Rooker, WIS, suggested a special position aside from the matrix would preserve the matrix's integrity. Richie requested an opinion from WIS on the language of the statement. Zollman agreed to have WIS review the statement to make sure it would prevent this type of scenario from happening again. Jones added that the integrity of the Sheriff must be preserved and proper action taken to avoid this in the future.

MOTION: Peacock motioned to table the pay request of the returning retired officer until the restrictive language for the salary ordinance clause can be reviewed by WIS. Seconded by Watts. Motion carried unanimously.

CORONER ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST

The Commissioners agreed to set up a morgue at Scott Memorial Hospital. Therefore, Coroner Buchanan requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$9,530 for the purchase of equipment: Three cot cooler, two stretchers, and a table.

MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve the \$9,530 additional appropriation from the Hospital Reserve Fund for the purchase of the Coroner equipment for the morgue room at SMH. Seconded by Richie. Motion carried six (6) in favor and one (1) opposed (Jones). Jones stated he was not opposed to the purpose of the additional appropriation, but was opposed to spending from the HRF without moving a match amount into Rainy Day.

CLERK ELECTION ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST

Members congratulated Clerk Applegate on her successfully ran General Election.

An additional appropriation in the amount of \$20,000 was requested by Applegate to cover the additional \$100 incentives to poll workers, outstanding invoices, and additional publication expenses of the election.

MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$20,000 from Cumulative Capital Development Fund to cover the extra expenses incurred by the Clerk for the General Election. Seconded by Watts. Motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY COMMUNITY CROSSINGS GRANT DISCUSSION

The matter was table by consensus for discussion at the next meeting.

EMS UPDATE

EMS Director Shannon Mount requested \$340,000 from the CARES Act funds, equivalent to the EMS payroll submitted, for public assistance reimbursement to the County. Mount would spend the fund on the purchase of eight (8) new cardiac/life support monitors.

MOTION: Gasaway motioned to advertise the \$340,000 additional appropriation for EMS from the CARES Act reimbursement for consideration at the December meeting. Seconded by Peacock. Motion carried unanimously.

Mount wanted to operation the Third (COVID) truck 24/7 until year end. Mount reported that run volume is up to 28 per day. Several transfers are being made to southern care facilities.

MOTION: Peacock motioned to approve and amend the 2020 Salary Ordinance for the COVID (Third) truck staff to full time from 60 hours per week. Seconded by Richie. Motion carried unanimously.

Mount discussed future plans of developing a mobile intensive care unit for critical care patients. Zollman stated he was impressed with Mount's leadership and that he should be given the opportunity to improve EMS. Richie added that financial support for EMS had never been to this extent before.

Mount invited all to the Open House on December 5, 2020 and to the Veterans' Day Service where the new VA tribute ambulance would be on display.

SCOTT COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES

SCEDC Board Member Jean Robbins requested a budget be established and appropriations made to cover around \$3,800 in accumulated expenses. The non-profit was reorganized and funds of approximately \$35,500 were moved to the County's ledgers.

MOTION: Gasaway motioned to set up the budget for the transferred funds of the SCEDC and appropriate the necessary amounts to cover the approximate \$3,800 in current expenses. Seconded by Peacock. Motion carried unanimously.

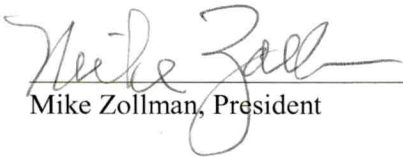
CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 29, 2020 MEETING

Minutes from the September 29, 2020 Regular meeting were presented for review.

MOTION: Watts motioned to table approval of the minutes from the September 29, 2020 Regular meeting minutes until the next meeting. Second provided by Peacock. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Peacock motioned to adjourn the November 10, 2020 Regular meeting of the Council. Second provided by Watts. Motion carried unanimously.


Mike Zollman, President



Ab Watts, Member

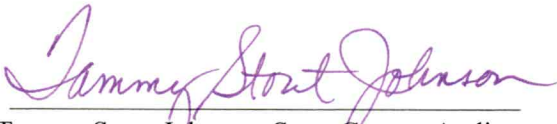
Robert Peacock, Vice President


Rachael Hardin, Member

Iva Gasaway, Member


Raymond Jones, Member


Donnie Richie, Member

ATTEST: 
Tammy Stout Johnson, Scott County Auditor