REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 14, 2023

The Scott County Council met in Regular Session on February 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. Also present was Auditor Jennifer Rode Hamelman.

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

**MOTION:** Diane Mullins moved to amend the agenda to add Scott County Partnership, CEASe and Thrive. Ward provided second. Motion carried with a vote of five to two with nays from Gillespie and White.

**MOTION:** White moved to amend the agenda to move Kevin Hall to first on the agenda. Collins provided second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**KEVIN HALL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – CCMG LINE-ITEM TRANSFER REQUEST**

Hall is requesting a line-item creation for bridge 104 and bridge 100 in the cumulative bridge budget. Hall is also requesting a transfer of $600,000 from line item 33006 bridge repairs and maintenance to created line item 104. Hall is also requesting a transfer of $341,000 from line-item 33006 bridge repairs and maintenance to created line-item bridge 100.

**MOTION:** Ward moved to create line items for 104 and 100. Miller provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**MOTION:** Miller moved to transfer $600,000 to 104. Ward provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**MOTION:** Ward moved to transfer $341,000 to 100. Collins provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**RIVER HILLS LARE GRANT APPLICATION**

**MOTION:** Collins moved to sign River Hills Application Fee. Miller provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

2023 application was denied for new log jam, must spend by 2024. There were more grant applications than grant funds available and we had too much money in the bank. Collins asked if $1,500 was needed for each grant application.

**MICHELLE MATERN – OPIOID SETTLEMENT RESOLUTION, STALE CHECK**


**MOTION:** Gillespie moved to pass Resolution 2023-R-001. Miller provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**MISSY APPLEGATE – STALE CHECKS**

Gillespie questioned how the rest of the stale checks will be handled in the future.

**MOTION:** Collins moved to table stale checks to future meeting. Miller provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.
TOM SCIFRES – SCOTT COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT BOARD

The Scott County Regional Sewer District, SCRSD; is requesting ARPA funds to build a lift station near Total Concepts of Design to help lower sewer rates for their customers and to bring housing developments to the Boatman Road area. They would like to know if there were any chance in receiving the ARPA money before applying for SRF funding for the project. Hughbanks asked that the SCRSD board come to a future meeting so the Council can meet them.

NICK LECK – EMS

Kelly Day Ordinance 2023-OR-1 was presented for approval.

MOTION: Miller moved to pass Ordinance 2023-OR-1 a Kelly Day amendment. Ward provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

Additional Appropriation: Insurance line was not funded during the 2022 budget process. This is a $37,000.00 shortfall.

MOTION: Ward moved to move $37,000 from LIT to insurance line 33001. Miller provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

Scott County has received $459,296.27 Opioid Settlement Funds and $192,825.00 can be used to covers salaries and training releasing EMS funds to be used to purchase an Ambulance.

MOTION: Ward moved to use $192,825.00 of Opioid Settlement money to replace EMS Director, Deputy Director and Full time Training officer salaries, so salary appropriation can be used to purchase ambulance. Hughbanks provided second. Motion carried with a vote of six to one with a nay from White.

Miller asked how much a loan payment would be on $350,000 at 4.52% for three to five years. Oleck stated $57,000 per year and that 46-48% of ambulance runs are in the cities of Scottsburg and Austin if LIT money from cities is considered for repayment.

MOTION: Ward moved to allow EMS to secure a loan to cover the funds for an ambulance up to $318,088. EMS will make payment from their budget. Mullins provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of five to two with nays from White and Collins.

MOTION: Ward moved to amend the agenda to move the Ambulance Service Audit in front of the Visitors Commission. Miller provided the second. Motion carried seven to zero.

White asked to forgo discussion for the Ambulance Service Audit.

VISITOR’S COMMISSION

Mike Chesser sent a letter to the Council stating he was unaware of the meeting and had parental responsibilities preventing his attendance. He turned in copies of the ledger and the checkbook for the Visitors Commission to the Auditor just prior to the meeting.

ECOTECH AND SASCO FUNDING

MOTION: Collins moved to pay $37,908.69 Ecotech and SASCO from General Fund – 4902 to cover the 2022 bills. White provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

MOTION: White moved to stop paying bills for Ecotech and SASCO on 3/31/23. Collins provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

THRIVE AND CEASE

Thrive: Four people in jail grant prohibits them from working outside the jail. Requesting $50,000 for position that will only work in Scott County, and will be sustainable next year.

**MOTION:** Ward moved to allocate $50,000 Opioid Abatement Funds to Thrive. Mullins provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of five to two with nays from Ward and Hughbanks.

**CEASE:** Explained their funding Little DFC funds come from the Auditor, Big DFC funds come from the Federal Government. Provide prevention training beginning in grades 4 and continues to 12.

**MOTION:** Ward moved to allocate $81,000 of Opioid Abatement Funds to CEASE. Mullins provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**BAKER TILLY**
Engagement letter provided by Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors for financial advisory, consulting and compilation services.

**MOTION:** Gillespie moved to approve Baker Tilly contract. Collins provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**HUMAN RESOURCE POSITION**

**MOTION:** Ward moved to table Human Resource Position until a Job Position and more information is available. Collins provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Mullins moved to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 meeting. Second provided by Gillespie. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**CONSIDERATION OF MITCHELL, ALLEN & RITZ INVOICE**

**MOTION:** Collins moved to table consideration of Mitchell, Allen & Ritz Architect invoice until Council Meeting on March 14, 2023. Ward provided the second. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business, Gillespie moved to adjourn the February 14, 2023 Regular Meeting. Second provided by Ward. Motion carried with a vote of seven to zero.

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Lyndi Hughbanks, President
JR Ward, Vice President
Eric Gillespie, Member

John Collins, Member
John Miller, Member
Jonathon White, Member

Diane Mullins, Member

ATTEST: Jennifer Rode Hamelman, Auditor