

Tipton County Council Meeting

6-21-2022

Present: Jim Ashley, Jim Purvis, Brad Nichols, Jan Smith, Butch Harpel, Mike Terry, Kirk Retherford

Others Present: Dick Klein, Mike Bollman, Chuck Bell, Lou Ann Millett, Rick Chandler, Bob Edinger, Joe VanBibber, Sherri Crawford

The Council meeting was opened by Jim Ashley with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolution CC2022-12 Additional Appropriations and Appropriation Reductions

APPROPRIATION REDUCTION AND ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION CC2022-12

Whereas, It has been determined that it is now necessary to reduce appropriations in some funds and to appropriate more money in other funds than was appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

Sec. 1. Be it resolved by the County Council of Tipton County, Tipton, Indiana; that for the expenses of the taxing units listed below; the following sums of money are hereby reduced or additionally appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

Fund Name:	Requested Amount	Approved Amount
1222 Statewide 911		
17300 Group Medical	\$35,000.00	
11211 Full Time	<u>\$40,000.00</u>	
1000 Personal Services Total	\$75,000.00	
Total for Fund	\$75,000.00	
1176 Highway		
11311 (0531) Driver/Operator	<u>-\$200,000.00</u>	
10000 Personal Services	-\$200,000.00	
27001 (0532) Road Maintenance	-\$750,000.00	
24100 (0531) Culvert & Tile	-\$15,000.00	
25000 (0531) Road Signs	<u>-\$22,500.00</u>	
20000 Supplies	-\$787,500.00	
36002 (0531) Rental of Equipment	<u>-\$10,000.00</u>	
30000 Other Services and Charges	-\$10,000.00	
Total for Fund	-\$997,500.00	
1176 Highway		
45250 New Construction	<u>\$193,500.00</u>	
40000 Capital Outlays	\$193,500.00	
Total for Fund	\$193,500.00	
1173 MVH Restricted		
11311 (0531) Driver/Operator	<u>\$200,000.00</u>	
10000 Personal Services	\$200,000.00	
27001 (0532) Road Maintenance	\$750,000.00	
24100 (0531) Culvert & Tile	\$15,000.00	
25000 (0531) Road Signs	<u>\$22,500.00</u>	
20000 Supplies	\$787,500.00	
36002 (0531) Rental of Equipment	<u>\$10,000.00</u>	
30000 Other Services and Charges	\$10,000.00	
Total for Fund	\$997,500.00	

Adopted and dated this 21st day of June, 2022

TIPTON COUNTY COUNCIL

James D. Ashley

Jim Purvis

Janice L. Smith

Michael Terry

Butch Harpel

Kirk Retherford

Attest:

Brad Nichols

Gregg A. Townsend, Secretary and County Auditor

Prepared by: Mark R. Regnier

Tipton County Attorney;

MARK R. REGNIER, ATTORNEY AT LAW.

120 S. West Street

Tipton, Indiana 46072

Jim Ashley opened the public hearing for Resolution CC2022-12. There were no comments.

Motion by Mike Terry to close the public hearing. Second by Jan Smith. Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve the Statewide 911 portion of Resolution CC2022-12. Second by Kirk Retherford. Motion carried.

Brad Nichols questioned the use of the Highway \$193,500 appropriation. Auditor Townsend stated that he thought it was for a Community Crossings match for work done on Division Road. Auditor Townsend offered to text Bret Morris to find out.

Resolution CC2022-13 Additional Appropriation

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION CC2022-13

Whereas, It has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money in other funds than was appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

Sec. 1. Be it resolved by the County Council of Tipton County, Tipton, Indiana; that for the expenses of the taxing units listed below; the following sums of money are hereby additionally appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

Fund Name:	Requested Amount	Approved Amount
1000 General 0068 Commissioners		
17000 Earned Employee Benefits	<u>\$25,000.00</u>	
1000 Personal Services Total	\$25,000.00	
Total for Fund	\$25,000.00	

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Jim Ashley opened the public hearing for Resolution CC2022-13. There were no comments. Motion by Kirk Retherford to close the public hearing. Second by Jan Smith. Motion carried. Motion by Brad Nichols to approve Resolution CC2022-13. Second by Butch Harpel. Motion carried.

Resolution CC2022-14 Additional Appropriation

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION CC2022-14

Whereas, It has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money in other funds than was appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

Sec. 1. Be it resolved by the County Council of Tipton County, Tipton, Indiana; that for the expenses of the taxing units listed below; the following sums of money are hereby additionally appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

Fund Name:	Requested Amount	Approved Amount
1148 ATOD-Drug Free Community		
21100 Administration	<u>\$2,000.01</u>	
20000 Supplies	\$2,000.01	
30003 Prevention & Education	\$26,910.82	
30004 Treatment	\$26,910.82	
30005 Criminal Justice	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	
30000 Other Services and Charges	\$68,821.64	
Total for Fund	\$70,821.65	

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Jim Ashley opened the public hearing for Resolution CC2022-14. There were no comments. Motion by Jim Purvis to close the public hearing. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carried. Motion by Jim Purvis to approve Resolution CC2022-14. Second by Jan Smith. Motion carried.

Abatements – Auditor Gregg A. Townsend

Auditor Townsend presented the 2022 pay 2023 tax abatements, recommending to the Council that they should be considered to be substantially in compliance with the Statements of Benefits presented at the time that the abatements had been granted, particularly in light of the downturn in the economy that the nation is suffering under the Biden administration. He stated that state law allows consideration of circumstances beyond the control of the companies. He noted that most of the abatements are in or nearing their last year.

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve Central Indiana Ethanol, LLC and Helena Agri-Enterprises. Second by Jan Smith.

Motion rescinded by Jim Purvis.

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve Central Indiana Ethanol, LLC. Second by Jan Smith. Motion Carried with Kirk Retherford abstaining.

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve all other abatements except the former Hartley Grain, as presented. Second by Kirk Retherford. Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve Helena Agri-Enterprises, as presented. Seconded by Jan Smith. Motion carried, with Kirk Retherford abstaining.

Highway Additional Appropriation

Jim Ashley opened the public hearing for the \$193,500 additional appropriation for the purchase of the salt barn to be reimbursed with SR28 and SR19 relinquishment funds.

Brad Nichols stated that the Council had not been consulted and that the salt barn had been ordered without funds to pay for it. Jim Ashley stated that the matter could be set aside for now.

Jim Ashley opened the public hearing for the \$193,500 portion of Resolution CC2022-12.

Bob Edinger stated that he was opposed to it.

Motion by Mike Terry to close the public hearing. Second by Jan Smith. Motion carried.

Motion by Brad Nichols to approve the \$997,500 appropriation reductions in Highway and the \$997,500 additional appropriations in MVH Restricted. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the \$193,500 additional appropriation.

IMPA Real Estate Purchase Agreement

Brad Nichols stated that the offer is at the original cost of the land with closing costs to the county. Jan Smith stated that IMPA wants to purchase land from the city and county.

Jim Purvis stated that he wants to hear the pros and cons to know if it is a good deal.

Dick Klein stated that this project is smaller than the project on CR300W. It is 2.5 megawatts and would provide power to the industrial park, not the grid. He explained that they are building up to 250 megawatts to replace coal fired production.

No action taken.

Humane Society Feasibility Study – Rick Chandler

Mr. Chandler referenced a presentation made to the Board of Commissioners on June 20, 2022. He stated that the conclusion is that a shelter is needed, immediately, along with two full-time animal control officers. He stated that the City of Tipton has one animal control officer and that she could be used in the county with the county reimbursing the city for her services. He stated that the budget for this year is higher due to increased costs. He provided a financial

statement. He said that the funds requested would be used for operations and to prepare animals for adoption. Surgeries would be paid out of private donations. He suggested that small towns be charged by the animal. He stated that animal costs would be tracked by the animal, including the number of days sheltered. He stated that most grants require 24 months of operational history before consideration. His request is \$30,000 from the county, to be matched by the city. The budget includes one full-time director and a part-time employee.

Minutes for April 19, 2022

Motion by Jan Smith to approve minutes for April 19, 2022. Second by Kirk Retherford. Motion carried.

Minutes for April 26, 2022

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve minutes for April 26, 2022. Second by Jan Smith. Motion carried.

Minutes for May 17, 2022

Motion by Brad Nichols to approve minutes for May 17, 2022. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Brad Nichols stated that he would like to see a committee to prepare a plan for the ARP money.

Jim Ashley reported that there was a meeting yesterday regarding the utilization of the old jail for the Coroner, Health Department, storage, and the Historical Society. He stated that the problem is the \$1.1 Million cost for the Historical Society, as it is a non-governmental facility. He stated that we have no obligation to fund it. He said that we need to prioritize and asked how we include a non-government agency in a public building. He suggested pursuing grant opportunities. Jim Purvis stated that we need to find a way to save the building.

Mike Terry stated that the RDC is meeting monthly and that there is interest by a developer who has purchased land in the southeast quadrant of SR28 and US31.

Jim Purvis stated that there is no trail committee report. He stated that costs of materials have risen and money raised will no longer cover what they had planned. He stated that the Cicero Creek shelving project was moving along well and that it will open the location of the trail by getting that out of the way. He thanked Rick Chandler for his presentation.

Brad Nichols noted that it was Chuck Bell's birthday.

Public Comment

Bob Edinger asked about the sheriff's pension under other business on the agenda. Jim Ashley stated that it had already been addressed.

Motion by Jim Purvis to adjourn the meeting. Second by Jan Smith. Motion carried.

Approved this 16th day of August, 2022

Tipton County Council

James D. Ashley, President

Jim Purvis, Vice President

Kirk Retherford, member

Brad Nichols, member

Jan Smith, member

Butch Harpel, member

Michael Terry, member

Attest:

Gregg A. Townsend, Tipton County Auditor
Secretary to the Tipton County Council