

Tipton County Council Meeting

4-16-19

Present: Butch Harpel, Brian DellaRosa, Jim Ashley, Emily Wilson, Jim Purvis, Mike Terry, Jeff Hoover

Others Present: Jim Mullins, Lou Ann Millett, Vicky Boyd, Chuck Bell, Mark Baird, Roberta Heinzmann, Kegan Schmicker, Erin Shockley, Brad Nichols

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Transfers – Resolution CC2019-06

RESOLUTION # CC2019 – 06

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

one appropriation category to another or from one personal services line to another;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tipton County Council, Tipton, Indiana, the following transfers are allowed:

<u>FUND-DEPARTMENT</u>		<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	Outside Professional Services	Courthouse Security- Uniforms/Equipment	
General- Commissioners Location	1000.31100.000.0068	1000.24002.000.0068	\$151.90
TOTAL			\$151.90

Approved this 16th day of March, 2019

TIPTON COUNTY COUNCIL

James D. Ashley, President

Jim Purvis, Vice-President

Brian DellaRosa, member

Michael Terry, member

Jeff Hoover, member

Butch Harpel, member
Attest:

Emily Wilson, member

Gregg A. Townsend, Tipton County Auditor

Prepared by: Mark R. Regnier

Tipton County Attorney;

GRAHAM, REGNIER, FARRER & WILSON, P.C.

120 S. West Street

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve Resolution CC2019-05. Second by Emily Wilson. Motion carries.

Health Department Emergency Preparedness Grant – Appropriation Request

The new grant for July1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 has been increased to \$25,000, but must be used for salaries.

Motion by Jim Purvis to proceed with grant application. Second by Butch Harpel. Motion carries.

Motion by Jeff Hoover to set a Public Hearing for Additional Appropriations for the Health Department Emergency Preparedness Grant for the May Meeting. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries.

New Jail – Request for Additional Appropriations for construction costs in excess of Bond, including Sheriff’s request for \$150,000 for a body scanner

Board of Commissioner President, Jim Mullins addressed the Council concerning the New Jail construction, including a request from the Sheriff to add a body scanner. He stated that the amount needed, above the bond issue is estimated to be \$2.2 Million. Discussion ensued. The Council requested that Jim Mullins, the Sheriff, Bill Shepler of PMSI, and someone from Performance Services provide information concerning hard and soft costs for the new jail, including the sheriff’s wish list of add-ons, for the May meeting.

Redevelopment Commission Annual Report – Auditor Townsend

Auditor Townsend presented Council members copies of the Tipton County Redevelopment Commission 2018 Annual Report. He also explained that all but \$30,871.52 of the December cash balance had been applied to the principal of the Economic Development Bond, Series 2010 and to the pay-off of the Tax Increment Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014.

Minutes for the March 19, 2019

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve the Minutes for February 19, 2019. Second by Brian DellaRosa. Motion carries.

Clarification of Appointment to CW Mount Board

Jeff Hoover questioned the status of the Council’s appointment to the CW Mount Board, Jim Ashley commented that there was some confusion between the Mount Board and the Council regarding the appointment, however, CW Mount Board President Terry Newcom deferred to the County Council and accepted the appointment of Bailey Franklin to the board.

Council Comments

Jim Purvis reported that the Plan Commission had met on April 4. He stated that their new software is very efficient. It will take some time to perform all the necessary input. He also reported that the County Plan Commission had changed its rules regarding members who must recuse themselves because of a conflict of interest, requiring the recused member to exit the room until the matter is settled. He stated that they were quite clear that a recused member may not remain and participate in the discussion, but must leave the room. He suggested that the Council consider adopting a similar rule.

Emily Wilson commented that the Council should consider the impacts on next year’s budget that result from limited access along State Road 31, including losses of homes’ assessed value,

people, and farmland assessed value. Lost homes will not be rebuilt and their owners may not remain in the county. Access to landlocked real estate will become an important issue.

Public Comment

Mark Baird, Executive Director of the Tipton County Foundation, that he had arranged a public informational meeting on the state of Tipton County, on May 13, 2019, 6PM, at the Foundation. The presenters will Michael Hicks and David Terrell, from Ball State University.

Review of Gateway budget form 4B Budget Estimate, Financial Statement and Proposed Tax Rate (the old 16-line form)

The budget form 4B was reviewed, with discussion of the sources of the information input into the form.

Coroner Request for Facilities – Brad Nichols

Coroner Nichols requested that two members of the council be appointed to a committee to look into facilities for the coroner. There is a need for the coroner to have space for investigation, meeting with family, work space, and refrigeration. The Council will consider the two members to the committee at the May 21, 2019 meeting.

Broadband – Kegan Schmicker

Motion by Jeff Hoover to approve a letter of support for grant applications by Smithville and Watch Communications for broadband grants, and to authorize Jim Ashley to sign. Second by Emily Wilson. Motion carries.

Motion by Brian DellaRosa to adjourn. Second by Emily Wilson. Motion carries.

Approved this 21st day of May, 2019

James D. Ashley, President

Jim Purvis, Vice President

Brian DellaRosa, member

Jeff Hoover, member

Mike Terry, member

Butch Harpel, member

Emily Wilson, member

Attest:

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

Respectfully submitted by Gregg A. Townsend