

Tipton County Council Meeting

1-15-19

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

Others Present: Vicky Boyd, Jim Leffler, Stan Jones, Jim Mullins, Lou Ann Millett, Christy Crawford, Bob Edinger, Roberta Heinzmann

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Organization

Auditor Townsend opened nominations for President.

President

Jim Purvis nominated **Jim Ashley**. Second by Mike Terry. There being no other nominations, Jim Ashley is elected President for 2019.

Vice President

Jim Ashley nominated **Jim Purvis**. Second by Brian DellaRosa. There being no other nominations, Jim Purvis is elected Vice President for 2019.

Appointments

Plan Commission

Mike Terry nominated Jim Purvis. Second by Brian DellaRosa. Motion by Mike Terry to close nominations. Second by Butch Harpel. Motion carries. **Jim Purvis** is appointed.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Jim Purvis nominated Pete Schram. Motion by Emily Wilson to close nominations. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries. **Pete Schram** is appointed.

Joint 911 Executive Board

Mike Terry nominated Brian DellaRosa. Second by Jim Purvis. Brian DellaRosa nominated. Motion by Emily Wilson to close nominations. Second by Jim Purvis. Motion carries. **Brian DellaRosa** and **Michael Terry** are appointed.

Emergency Management Advisory Council- **James Ashley**, by virtue of office.

Alcoholic Beverage Commission

Jim Purvis moved to re-appoint **Francis Letsinger**. Second by Emily Wilson. Motion carries.
City of Tipton Economic Development Commission – Tabled

Solid Waste Board

Jim Purvis nominated Emily Wilson. Motion by Jim Purvis to close nominations. Second by Brian DellaRosa. Motion carries. **Emily Wilson** is appointed.

Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals (PTABOA)

Jim Purvis nominated Ken Ziegler and Linda Altherr. Motion by Brian DellaRosa to close nominations. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries. **Ken Ziegler** is appointed and **Linda Altherr** is re-appointed.

Goodwill Committee

Jim Purvis nominated Butch Harpel. Brian DellaRosa nominated Jim Purvis. Motion by Emily Wilson to close nominations. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries. **Butch Harpel** and **Jim Purvis** are appointed.

Liason between Merit Board and Council

Brian DellaRosa nominated Jeff Hoover. Motion by Emily Wilson to close nominations. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries. **Jeff Hoover** is appointed.

Redevelopment Commission

Mike Terry nominated James Ashley. Jim Purvis nominated Brian DellaRosa, Brian DellaRosa nominated Michael Terry. Motion by Emily Wilson to close nominations. Second by Brian DellaRosa. **James Ashley, Brian DellaRosa, and Michael Terry** are appointed.

Ambulance Oversight Board – Tabled

Regional Planning Organization Board

Brian DellaRosa nominated James Ashley. Second by Jim Purvis. Motion by Mike Terry to close nominations. Second by Brian DellaRosa. **James Ashley** is appointed.

Audit Finance Committee

Jim Purvis nominated Emily Wilson. Brian DellaRosa nominated Butch Harpel. Butch Harpel nominated Jim Purvis. Motion by Emily Wilson to close nominations. Second by Brian DellaRosa. **Emily Wilson, Butch Harpel, and Jim Purvis** are appointed.

Highway – Bret Morris

Motion by Jim Purvis to approve and to authorize Jim Ashley to sign a financial commitment letter to INDOT for Community Crossing Grant projects for 2019. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries.

Bret Morris reported that he is preparing specifications for bids on three tri-axel dump trucks. He stated that the Highway Department will be paying off the Dirt Loader, purchasing the Road Grader and paying off truck number 6. Then, the only outstanding balance will be on the three new dump trucks.

He also reported that the State has mandated that Motor Vehicle Highway money be receipted half into MVH and half into a new Restricted MVH fund, that may only be used for road preservation. The mandate came after all counties had already submitted their budgets to the State. He warned that the restrictions on use could result in a shortfall of \$300,000 to \$400,000 in the unrestricted MVH fund. Mike Terry asked if some of the matching funds for the Community Crossings Grant projects be taken from the Restricted MVH. Bret Morris responded that he thought that the type of work being done would qualify some of the match to come out of the restricted fund. Jeff Hoover complimented the Highway Department for their Facebook posts that kept the public up to date on the road conditions during the last weekend.

Resolution CC2019-01 Inter-Fund Loan from General to Cumulative Capital Development.

RESOLUTION CC2019-01
OF THE TIPTON COUNTY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING INTER-FUND LOAN OR LOANS

Findings

WHEREAS, The Tipton County Council finds it will be necessary to authorize one or more loans from the General Fund to the Tipton County Cumulative Capital Development Fund to meet the current and anticipated obligations of Tipton County in fiscal year 2019. In order to meet the needs of the Cumulative Capital Development Fund, which may arise before sufficient monthly revenues arrive, the Tipton County Council finds that authorization of one or more loans from the General Fund in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$22,000 should be authorized.

WHEREAS, The Council further finds that the General Fund is a fund in which ample funds are available for inter-fund loan during fiscal year 2019, and that such inter-fund loan or loans will be more expedient and save interest, which would otherwise apply to the issuance of tax anticipation warrants.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS

RESOLVED by the Tipton County Council, of the State of Indiana, that said Council finds and declares that the need exists to borrow funds not exceeding the aggregate sum of \$22,000 for the Cumulative Capital Development Fund during fiscal year 2019, pending the collection of income revenue in the year 2019. It is

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor of Tipton County be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advance funds from the General Fund to the Cumulative Capital Development Fund at such times during fiscal year 2019 and in such amounts, not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$22,000, as the Auditor deems to be prudent and necessary in his discretion to meet the current and anticipated obligations of the Cumulative Capital Development Fund during fiscal year 2019, and to be repaid by December 31, 2019. It is

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is directed to report in writing to the Tipton County Council, at least monthly at the time of any regular or special meeting of the Tipton County Council, the date or dates and the amount or amounts of all such inter-fund loans; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is authorized to do all other things and to satisfy all other requirements of law necessary to give effect to this resolution.

The attached and foregoing findings and resolution were adopted this 15th day of January, 2019.

TIPTON COUNTY COUNCIL

James D. Ashley

Jeff Hoover

Emily Wilson

Jim Purvis

Michael Terry

Butch Harpel

Brian DellaRosa

ATTEST:

Gregg A. Townsend, Tipton County Auditor

Motion by Jeff Hoover to accept Resolution CC2019-01. Second by Emily Wilson. Motion carries.

Additional Appropriations

Motion by Jeff Hoover to advertise for additional appropriations for the Sheriff's Training line. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries

Motion by Emily Wilson to advertise for additional appropriation for the Extension Office. Second by Butch Harpel. Motion carries.

Jail Salary Discussion – No action taken. Salaries will remain at current levels.

Minutes for the December 28, 2018

Motion by Councilwoman Wilson to approve the Minutes for December 28, 2018. Second by Councilman Hoover. Motion carries.

Council Comments

Emily Wilson, once again, notified the County Council of her employment by Thomson Reuters and read her Conflict of Interest form and stated that she will be filing a copy with the Clerk of Courts.

Highway Superintendent Bret Morris requested permission to obtain appraisals on contiguous land to the Highway Department for consideration of potential future acquisition.

Motion by Emily Wilson to authorize Bret Morris to obtain appraisals on contiguous properties. Second by Mike Terry. Motion carries.

Jeff Hoover suggested looking into using videos of meetings instead of minutes. Jim Mullins volunteered to look into the legal possibility. Bill Steen commented that it would require storage space.

Jim Purvis recommended that department heads turn in agenda items to the Auditor by the Thursday before a Council meeting so that Jim Ashley could work with the Auditor to prepare the agenda on Friday.

Jim Ashley stated that he would like to add some training to the meetings for the next few months to help bring vital information to the new members before we enter the budget season this year.

Public Comments

Jim Ashley stated that Public Comment is just that: comments, not question and answer. He stated that questions could be addressed to council president or the Auditor after a meeting.

Board of Commissioners President, Jim Mullins, welcomed the new members of the Council and stated that he looked forward to a partnership to make Tipton County a better place.

Coroner Brad Nichols stated that 2018 had been a busy year and some of the autopsy expenses had to be carried into 2019. He stated that there is a need for a coroner’s facility, separate from the funeral home. It needs to have space for autopsy, investigation, a space to meet with family members, and for storage and refrigeration. The hospital has no morgue.

The Council entertained comments from the public.

Motion by Jeff Hoover to adjourn. Second by Emily Wilson. Motion carries.

Approved this 15th day of January, 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