January 8, 2015

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Council and meet in a special session at 4:30PM in the Annex Building Meeting Room, Knox, Indiana, with Dave Pearman, Robert Sims, Bryan Cavender, Freddie Baker, Brad Hazelton, Jennifer Davis and Pam Stalbaum present, and the following proceedings were held to wit:

The meeting was called to order by Council President, Dave Pearman. He advised the meeting was a special meeting to reorganize the Board and to make the 2015 Board appointments.

RE: 2015 APPOINTMENTS

Councilwoman Davis suggested they start with the Board appointments and to complete the organization of the Board at the end. Councilwoman Davis made a motion to reappoint Rebecca Ferch to the PTABOA Board. Councilman Cavender seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. Councilman Baker made a motion to appoint Councilwoman Davis to be the Council Representative on the Solid Waste Board. Councilwoman Stalbaum seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. Councilman Baker made a motion to reappoint Kenny Wallace to the Alchohol Beverage Board. Councilman Hazelton seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. President Pearman advised they had not received any notice in regard to their appointment to the Starke County Library Board and suggested they reappoint their current appointee, Katie Dedloff. Councilman Baker made a motion to reappoint Katie Dedloff to the Starke County Library Board, seconded by Councilman Hazelton. The motion passed with all ayes. Councilwoman Davis made a motion to reappoint Councilman Cavender to be the Council Representative on the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baker and passed with all ayes. Councilwoman Davis made a motion to appoint Councilwoman Stalbaum to the KIRPC Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cavender and passed with all ayes. Councilwoman Davis made a motion to appoint Councilman Pearman as the representative to the Knox Economic Development Board. Councilman Baker seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. Councilman Cavender made a motion to reappoint Marty Lucas as the Council's Attorney. Councilwoman Stalbaum seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. Councilman Sims nominated Councilman Freddie Baker to serve as Council President. Councilman Cavender nominated Councilman Dave Pearman to serve as Council President. Councilwoman Davis seconded Councilman Baker's nomination. A vote was taken, and Councilman Baker was elected President with four ayes. (Davis, Stalbaum, Sims and Baker).

In Other Business:

County Attorney Lucas advised he finally received from the State a listing of the businesses in the County who are paying the County Innkeepers' Tax (CIT).

Sheriff Bill Dulin appeared before the Board. He advised he had proposed to the Board of Commissioners at their morning meeting the creation of a new position in the Jail, that of Receptionist/Administrative Assistant. He advised this person would be assisting the 911 Dispatchers in the amount of paperwork they are presently processing. He stated he believes the dispatchers' duties are not in compliance with the State's requirements of a 911 dispatcher and is fearful of losing the 911 revenue. Sheriff Dulin advised he would be funding this new position out of the extra help line of the Jail's 2015 budget. He also inquired if he could post the position now for the Part Time Maintenance Person to begin work at the new Jail. Councilwoman Davis made a motion to approve his requests, seconded by Councilman Hazelton. The motion passed with all ayes. The Sheriff also advised he has contacted the State in regard to having a staffing analysis be completed to see if there is a need for additional staffing. He noted he has hired two part time cooks and eliminated the full time cook. He also advised he now has a female jailer. Councilwoman Davis inquired if the population of the jail affects the number of staffing. Sheriff Dulin advised he would check into it.

Councilman Pearman inquired as to why the Marshall Starke Board appointment is no longer listed on the appointment listing. Councilwoman Davis made a motion to reappoint Councilman Pearman to be the Council Representative on the Marshall Starke Board. Councilman Baker seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes.

With there being no further business, Councilman Davis made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Cavender. The motion passed with all ayes and the meeting adjourned at 5:08PM.

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Dave Pearman, President

Freddie Baker

Bryan Cavender

Pam Stalbaum

Jennifer Davis

Robert Sims

Brad Hazelton

Katherine Chaffins, Starke County Auditor and Secretary to the County Council