

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Council and meet in a regular session at 5:30PM in the Annex Building Meeting Room, Knox, Indiana, with Dave Pearman, Kay Gudeman, Freddie Baker, Brad Hazelton, Robert Sims, Don White and Howard Bailey present, and the following proceedings were held to wit:

The meeting was called to order by Council President, Dave Pearman at 5:30PM. Councilman Hazelton made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2019 meeting. Councilwoman Gudeman seconded the motion, the motion passed with all ayes. Councilman Pearman welcomed newly appointed Councilman Don White to the team.

SURVEYOR APPROPRIATION REQUEST

Surveyor Bill Crase came before the council to request additional appropriations from the FEMA reimbursement his department has received. Surveyor Crase stated that he is asking for permission to move the money that he has received from FEMA into the following accounts: Robbins 2700.33801.000.0000 in the amount of \$14,607.22, Rummel 2700.33102.000.0000 in the amount of \$6,210.00, Yellow River Basin 9128.00899.000.0000 in the amount of \$18,334.40, Fuel, Lube, Oil 1000.20400.000.0006 in the amount of \$500.00, and Repair & Maintenance 1000.20202.000.0006 in the amount of \$7,040.36. Surveyor Crase stated all of the money will have to go back into the ditch accounts. Councilman Pearman asked if this money all originally came from the ditch accounts and that none of this money should go back into county general. Surveyor Crase agreed that the money has to go back to the ditch accounts. Councilman Baker made a motion to approve the additional appropriation request as presented. Councilman Bailey seconded the motion and the motion was passed with all ayes.

ASSESSOR COMPUTER PURCHASE

Councilman Pearman asked if anyone was present from the Assessor's Office. With no response he asked the Commissioner's if they have any awareness of what the Assessors is trying to do as they are requesting to buy six computers and there are only three people in the office. A motion was made by Councilman Hazelton to table this request. Councilman Baker seconded the request and the motion passed with all ayes.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilman Pearman notified the County Council that the officeholders and department supervisors would like to have a pre-budget workshop. They are scheduling this for June 3, 2019, and also inviting the Commissioners. He does not want to bring attention to this as most likely they are not going to be able to raise the budget the State is most likely going to cut the budget again. The workshop will begin at 9:00 AM.

Councilman Pearman address the Commissioners, he stated the council just found out today that there is a new CAD System at dispatch. Councilman Hazelton stated they do not remember approving the purchase of the CAD System and would like to inquire about where this was paid from. After further discussion Councilman Pearman asked Auditor Oesterreich to review the minutes regarding the CAD System and to contact the municipalities to remind them that they have committed to payment for their portion of the CAD System for the 2020 budget year.

Councilman Hazelton advised he had received a phone call from an individual from North Judson Fire, he stated their pagers are not going off with the county tone but they are going off when they re-tone. He stated J & K did something with the county tone when they were up here, he advised the tone is different. IT Director Franks stated that the tone is different but they did test them and received responses when they tested them. Bill Crase advised they were toned out for a brush fire Saturday but the tone did not come through anyone's pager when they toned them out the first time. IT Director Franks asked if they have covered the water tower yet as this will affect the tones. Councilman Hazelton stated that they have been having these problems since day one when they reprogrammed everything. After further discussion regarding the radio system Councilman Pearman asked if he Mr. Crase would follow up with Eric Wappel and Commissioner Chesak.

Councilman Pearman also advised that he has received many calls expressing the distaste for the consolidation of the location of the solid waste building. He asked if we could possibly get some quotes for curbside recycling and curbside garbage pick-up. Councilman Pearman stated though that Councilman Baker informed them that they did do this and none of the big companies came to the table with a bid. Councilman Hazelton advised that it may be because only certain companies cover certain areas of the county. Attorney Lucas advised that when this whole thing was done the recycling market was in complete disarray.

With there being no public comments and no further business, Councilman Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Hazelton. The motion passed with all ayes and the meeting adjourned at 5:49PM.

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Dave Pearman, President

Brad Hazelton, Vice-President

Kay Gudeman

Don White

Howard Bailey

Robert Sims

Freddie Baker

Rachel Oesterreich, Starke County Auditor and
Secretary to the County Council