

September 7, 2010

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Council and Starke County Board of Commissioners and meet in regular session at 5:00 p.m. in the Annex meeting room, Knox, Indiana, with Dan Awald, Judy Benninghoff and Bruce Fingerhut absent, and the following proceedings were held to wit:

IN RE: MINUTES

Chuck Estok moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2010, meeting seconded by Bill Dulin with 4 ayes.

Chuck Estok moved to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2010, meeting seconded by Bill Dulin with 4 ayes.

IN RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2010-16

EMS requested \$228 for building maintenance due to receiving \$228 for the selling of scrap metal which was quietused into County General. Chuck Estok moved to deny seconded by Bob Sims with 4 ayes.

The highway department requested \$30,000 for stone, gravel aggregates. Bill Dulin moved to table the request seconded by Bob Sims with 4 ayes.

Requests were made out of Cum. Capital Development funds for \$950 for repair buildings and structures for the courthouse and annex, \$22,440 for jail repairs and \$580 for the clerk's air conditioning units. Chuck Estok moved to approve all seconded by Bill Dulin with 4 ayes.

IN RE: K.I.R.P.C. APPOINTMENT

Chuck Estok moved to appoint Bob Sims as the council member on the K.I.R.P.C. Board to replace Jennifer Davis who is now a commissioner seconded by Mark Smith with 4 ayes.

IN RE: ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE MANAGEMENT BUDGET

The council does not feel that the environmental waste management budget should be part of their budget process. They had given them their non-binding review recommendation to reduce it at the August 16th meeting and they did reduce it. The council acknowledges that their budget was submitted to them and that the budget was here for the 1st reading of the county's budget. They also acknowledge that the environmental waste management board reduced the budget to the council's recommendation. Mark Smith moved that it be entered into the minutes that the council acknowledges that they reduced their budget to the council's recommendation and submitted a new budget with these reductions seconded by Chuck Estok with 4 ayes.

IN RE: TRANSFER ORDINANCE #2010-17

Bill Dulin moved to approve the highway transfer of \$1,202.22 from drainage to brush crew supplies seconded by Bob Sims with 4 ayes.

IN RE: FIRST READING OF 2011 COUNTY BUDGETS

Mark Smith opened the floor for discussion of the 2011 budgets. As there were no comments or questions, Chuck Estok moved to close the budget reading seconded by Bill Dulin with 4 ayes.

IN RE: AUGUST 23 C.A.M.S. MEETING DISCUSSION

Mark Smith discussed the information received at the August 23, 2010, joint meeting of the council and commissioners on C.A.M.S. They discussed the possibility of a LOIT tax and would like a straw vote on this before making any budget decisions on September 22nd.

Mark explained the LOIT process which was explained by Umbaugh at the C.A.M.S. meeting. He stated some items for consideration. Mark doesn't want to rush into a LOIT tax, but feels that the council should give it some consideration.

During the discussion on the Public Safety LOIT, Commissioner Kathy Norem stated that the jail needs more jailers as they should have at least two per shift.

There were discussions on how to reduce the jail population and ways to handle jail meals.

Mark Smith feels "paramedic chase" is imperative for EMS.

There being no further business to come before the board, Chuck Estok moved to adjourn seconded by Bill Dulin with 4 ayes.

Mark Smith, President

Chuck Estok, Vice President

Bill Dulin

Robert Sims

ABSENT

Judy Benninghoff

ABSENT

Bruce Fingerhut

ABSENT

Dan Awald

Michaelene J Houston, Auditor