

December 17th, 2007

Pursuant to call, comes now the Starke County Council and meet in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditor's Office of the Starke County Government Building (Annex), Knox, Indiana. Comes now the Auditor, with James Van Vactor absent, and reads the call to the Council and shows that due and legal notice of the meeting has been given.

Bruce Fingerhut called the meeting to order.

IN RE: MINUTES

Chuck Estok moved to approve the November 19th minutes, seconded by Douglas J Vessely, with five ayes (Jennifer Davis had not arrived yet.)

IN RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2007-24

Mark Smith moved to approve the Recorder's request for \$3,000 out of the REDACT fund, seconded by Dan Awald with five ayes (Jennifer Davis had not arrived yet.)

Douglas J Vessely moved to approve the Coroner's request for \$500 for equipment, with a reduction of \$250 in both morgue rental and transportation to move bodies. Mark Smith seconded this request and it passed with six ayes.

Mark Smith moved to approve the Highway's request for \$16,590 for gas and oil, seconded by Charles Estok, with six ayes.

Charles Estok moved to approve the Cumulative Capital Development transfers for Courthouse repair, repair of equipment and the elevator contract for \$900 total. The motion was seconded by Dan Awald, and passed with six ayes.

Charles Estok moved to approve \$3,500 from Cumulative Capital Development for jail repairs, seconded by Jennifer Davis, with six ayes.

Randy Abbey, EMS/EMA Director, withdrew his request for \$95,000 out of Cumulative Capital Development for an ambulance.

IN RE: TRANSFER RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE #2007-25

Jennifer Davis moved to approve the Clerk's request to transfer \$1000 from official records and file cabinets to office supplies. This motion was seconded by Dan Awald and passed with six ayes.

Douglas J Vessely moved to approve the EMS request to transfer \$6,000 from utilities to ambulance repair and gas/oil. Charles Estok seconded the motion and it passed with six ayes.

Charles Estok moved to approve \$39,200 to be transferred within the Highway Department's budget. Dan Awald seconded the motion and it passed with six ayes.

IN RE: ELECTION CLERK POSITION

Evelyn Skronski, Clerk, requested an amendment to the salary ordinance to make the Election Clerk a full time position. The request died as no motion was made by the council.

IN RE: COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULED

The council meetings for January, February & March will be the second Monday of each of those months, at 7:00 PM.

IN RE: VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

Terry Turner requested the council consider a part time person in the Veterans Service Office to help the VSO.

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned.

Bruce Fignerhut, President Douglas J. Vessely, Vice President

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Mark C. Smith Chuck Estok

Jennifer Davis Daniel Awald

ABSENT

**James Van Vactor Michaelene J. Houston, Auditor of
Starke County and Secretary to the
County Council**

Disclamier: Not official until approved by the Council