

**April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

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 Chuck Estok and Bruce Fingerhut absent, and reads the call to the Council and shows that due and legal notice of the meeting has been given.

**IN RE: MINUTES**

James VanVactor moved to approve the March 10<sup>th</sup> minutes, seconded by Douglas J Vessely, with five ayes.

**IN RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2008-05**

Julianne Havens, Starke County Prosecutor, requested \$1,250 for TNT Law Enforcement Training and \$22,108 out of Prosecutor's Child Support fund for insurance, PERF, and the county share of social security for an additional employee. Both requests are out of the County General Fund but the additional employee would be paid out of the Prosecutor's Incentive Fund. Douglas J Vessely moved to table these requests until the budget order comes in, seconded by Dan Awald, with five ayes.

Dan Awald moved to table the Circuit Court's request for \$2,500 for Psychiatric Services out of County General, until the budget order comes in. Jim VanVactor seconded the motion, and it passed with five ayes.

Jennifer Davis moved to approve the Surveyor's request for \$20,000 out of Surveyor's Corner Perpetual fund, seconded by Douglas J Vessely, with five ayes.

Douglas J Vessely moved to approve the Assessor's request for \$3,500 for extra help and \$270 for Social Security, both out of the Cumulative Reassessment Fund. Dan Awald seconded the motion, and it passed with five ayes.

Jennifer Davis moved to approve Davis Township's request for \$1,000 for additional salary certification out of Cumulative Reassessment, seconded by Jim VanVactor, with five ayes.

Jennifer Davis moved to approve \$1,750 for jail repairs out of Cumulative Capital Development, seconded by Douglas J Vessely, with five ayes.

**IN RE: WELFARE**

Larry Harris with the Department of Family and Children presented the council with the first quarter budget report. He discussed expenditures, wards, placements, etc.

**IN RE: HIGHWAY FINANCES**

There was much discussion over the highway finances. The county Auditor explained to the council that the Major Moves money had been included in the Highway Department's 2007 budget, as expected revenue. The Auditor told them that her budget figures had not included it, but the state had included it, even though half of the Major Moves money had already been appropriated through an additional, months earlier, therefore being spent on everyday highway business.

There being no other business to come before the board, Jim VanVactor moved to adjourn, seconded by Douglas J Vessely, with five ayes.

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Mark C. Smith, President

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Douglas J. Vessely, Vice President

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**ABSENT**  
Bruce Fingerhut

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Chuck Estok

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Jennifer Davis

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Daniel Awald

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James Van Vactor

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Michaelene J. Houston, Auditor of  
Starke County and Secretary to the  
County Council