

JULY 23, 2013

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Council and meet in a special session at 8:00AM in the Annex meeting room, Knox Indiana and the following proceedings were held to wit:

The meeting was called to order by Council President Dave Pearman. He advised the purpose of the meeting was to review the County Departments' 2014 budgets.

Absent from the meeting was Councilman Tony Radkiewicz.

COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUDGETS:

Superintendent Rik Ritzler was present to answer any questions in regard to his department's 2014 requested budgets. The following changes were made to this requested budget:

Fund 1176: Reduce budget item 10209, bookkeeper/clerk to be the same as the other County Deputies, to \$28,460.00; reduce the travel expense, budget line item 30204 to \$1,000.00 and add a new budget line of training with a budget of \$6,000.00; reduce budget line 21002—other materials to \$2,000.00; reduce budget line 21201 calcium chloride to \$25,000.00; reduce budget line item 21900 brush crew supplies to \$4,000.00; increase the health insurance line item, # 10804 to \$360,000.00; increase the unemployment budget line item, # 10903, to \$20,000.00; and increase budget line item 11003, workers' compensation to \$62,000.00. The total approved budget for Fund 1176, Highway Department: \$ 2,703,919.00. Fund 1135, Cumulative Bridge, \$594,000.00 and Fund 1169, Local Road & Street, \$350,000.00, were approved as requested.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S BUDGETS:

The Board approved Fund 1159, Health Department as requested in the amount of \$174,647.00; Fund 1168, Local Health and Maintenance was approved as requested in the amount of \$33,139.00; and Fund 9133, LHMF/Tobacco Settlement, was approved as requested in the amount of \$21,819.00.

2015 REASSESSMENT:

Fund 1188, line item 10300, extra help, was reduced to \$4,000.00; line item 10804, health insurance was reduced to \$12,000.00; line item 40100, computer system and equipment, and line item 40500, scanner, were both reduced to 0. The total approved budget was \$ 340,429.00.

911FUND:

Fund 1222, Line item 11400, overtime was reduced to \$14,000.00 from the requested budget, leaving a total approved budget of \$359,011.00.

SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT, FUND 2100; SUPPLEMENTAL JUVENILE, FUND 2105; JURY PAY, FUND 4904; PRETRIAL DIVERSION, FUND 4907; AND CUMULATIVE CAPTIAL DEVELOPMENT, FUND 1138:

All of the budgets were approved as requested.

COUNTY GENERAL FUND:

The County General Fund requested budgets were reviewed by department.

Fund 1000, Department 001, Clerk: line item 10300, extra help was reduced to \$500.00, leaving a total departmental budget of \$171,599.00.

Fund 1000, Department 002, Auditor: The budget was approved as requested, for a total of \$162,435.00.

Fund 1000, Department 003, Treasurer, line item 31201, Lock Box was reduced to \$4,000.00, leaving a total departmental budget of \$106,569.00.

Fund 1000, Department 004, Recorder: The budget was approved as requested, in the total amount of \$73,269.00..

Fund 1000, Department 005, Sheriff: line item 10402, Detective, was reduced to \$38,844.00; line item 10700, Merit Board, was reduced to \$1,200.00; line item 11400, overtime, was reduced to \$25,000.00; and line item 21100, gas, oil & lube was increased to \$70,000.00 for a total departmental budget of \$654,877.00.

Fund 1000, Department 006, Surveyor: The budget was approved as requested, a total of \$74,746.00

Fund 1000, Department 007, Coroner: The budget was approved as requested in the total amount of \$35,900.00

Fund 1000, Department 008, Prosecuting Attorney: Line item 10105, Clerk was reduced to \$24,309.00, for a total approved budget of \$74,882.00

Fund 1000, Department 019, Election Board: line item 10300 was reduced to \$500.00; and line item 40106 E-Poll Book & software was reduced to 0 for an approved budget total of \$100,966.00

Fund 1000, Department 020, EMS/EMS: line item 10205, full time staff, was reduced to \$196,353.00, and line item 10216, full time paramedic was increased to \$93,600.00, for a total approved budget of \$1,059,252.00.

Fund 1000, Department 021, Purdue Extension Agent: line item # 30100, postage was reduced to \$3,400.00, for a total approved budget of \$100,428.00

Fund 1000, Department 022, Planning Commission: line item # 10300, extra help, was reduced to \$2,000.00, line item 11302, per diem, was reduced to \$4,800.00, line item 35753, Demolition of unsafe properties, was reduced to 0; and line item 40102, equipment, was reduced to 0; for a total approved budget of 92,890.00

Fund 1000, Department 0023, Drainage Board: The budget was approved as requested in the total amount of \$15,050.00

Fund 1000, Department 0024, Veteran's Service Officer: The budget was approved as requested in the total amount of \$14,642.00

Fund 1000, Department 0025, Commissioners: line item 40503, tress on Courthouse lawn was reduced to 0, for a total approved budget of \$2,241,203.00

Fund 1000, Department 0026, Courthouse: was approved as requested for the total budget amount of \$81,520.00

Fund 1000, Department 0027, Jail: was approved as requested for the total budget amount of \$568,665.00

Fund 1000, Department 0028, Annex: was approved as requested for the total budget amount of \$73,952.00

Fund 1000, Department 0029, Circuit Court: was approved as requested for the total budget amount of \$532,251.00

Fund 1000, Department 0030, BZA: line item 10113, board member, was reduced to \$3,000.00, for a total approved budget of \$16,000.00

Fund 1000, Department 0031, Soil and Water: was approved as requested for the total budget amount of \$29,810.00

Fund 1000, Department 0032, Prosecutor Attorney: line item 10102 Deputy Prosecutor was reduced to \$19,670.; line item 10804, health insurance, was reduced to \$13,500.00, leaving a total approved budget in the amount of \$102,450.00

Fund 1000, Department 0033, County Council: was approved as requested in the total budget amount of \$35,427.00
Fund 1000, Department 0035, IT: line item 40100, Computer system & equipment was reduced to 0 (noting the computers should be purchased out of the Cumulative Capital Development Fund); leaving a total approved budget of \$318,941.00
The total approved County General budget for 2014: \$6,737,724.00

The 2014 Proposed Budgets of all Funds include a 3% raise for all County Employees.

The Council took a lunch break at 12:20PM and reconvened at 2:00PM, following the Special Meeting with the Starke County Board of Commissioners, to address a proposal received from IU-Health, pertaining to the County hospital.

At the conclusion of the last Fund budget review, Councilman Semans made a motion to adjourn the workshop, seconded by Councilman Baker. The motion passed with all ayes and the workshop was adjourned at 4:00PM.

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Dave Pearman, President

Mitch Semans, Vice President

Freddie Baker

Marvin McLaughlin

Bryan Cavender

ABSENT
Tony Radkiewicz

Robert Sims

Katherine Chaffins,
Starke Co. Auditor & Council Secretary