## AUGUST 5, 2013

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Council and meet in a special session at 5:30PM in the Annex meeting room, Knox Indiana and the following proceedings were held to wit:

The meeting was called to order by Council Vice President Mitch Semans. Absent from the meeting were Councilmen Dave Pearman and Robert Sims

## **RE: NJ-SP 2014 SCHOOL BUDGET HEARING**

NJ-SP School Superintendent, Lynn Johnson, and NJ-SP School's CFO, Guy Ritchie, appeared before the Board to answer any questions in regard to the school's 2014 budget. Due to a change of Indiana legislation, any school with an appointed school board is required to receive a binding review/approval from the County Council. Vice President Semans advised the purpose of the meeting was to hold a public hearing in regard to the 2014 NJSP budget. Councilman Radkiewicz made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by Councilman Baker. Mr. Ritchie explained the proposed 2014 budget and variations in the 2014 budget from the 2013 budget. Councilman Semans inquired if the school is affected by the voucher program. Superintendent Johnson advised the enrollment of the NJSP Schools is down by approximately 400 students from the year 2000, an average of approximately 20 students a year. Councilman Radkiewicz made a motion to close the public hearing portion of the meeting, seconded by Councilman Baker. The motion passed with all ayes.

With there being no further business, Councilman Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Cavender. The motion passed with all ayes and the meeting was adjourned at 5:45PM.

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ABSENT\_

Dave Pearman, President

Mitch Semans, Vice President

Bryan Cavender

Marvin McLaughlin

Freddie Baker

Tony Radkiewicz

ABSENT\_\_\_\_ Robert Sims

Katherine Chaffins, Starke Co. Auditor & Council Secretary