

**November 21, 2011**

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Council and meet in regular session at 6:00pm in the Annex meeting room, Knox Indiana and the following proceedings were held to wit:

Present at the meeting: Councilmen Sims, Pearman, McLaughlin, and Radkiewicz. Since the President and Vice-President were not in attendance, County Attorney, Marty Lucas, stated the Councilman with the most seniority should call the meeting to order. Councilman Sims called the meeting to order.

**IN RE: TRANSFERS**

IT Director, Joe Short, appeared before the Board to request a transfer of \$1,000.00 from 0101 035-3000.05, telephone, to line item 0101 035-2000.02, maintenance supplies. Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

County Highway Superintendent, Steve Siddall, appeared before the Council to request the appropriation of the insurance reimbursement, received from the loss of truck 22, in the amount of \$28,305.00. He advised the money would be used to purchase an IOT Box used for patching, or a wood chipper. Councilman Pearman inquired as to how the \$200,000.00 that was appropriated at an earlier meeting, has been spent. Siddall advised he has invoices ready to submit for payment of the new truck from Wiers International. Pearman stated he has felt that was possibly appropriated in error, and in reality the council had given the highway department a blank check. He also stated that Siddall should have brought in some price quotes to show what the highway department was wanting to purchase, and at what price. Councilman McLaughlin made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilman Radkiewicz. The vote was three ayes, and one ney, with Councilman Pearman casting the ney vote. Attorney Lucas stated the motion failed, since when there are only four councilmen present, the vote would need to be unanimous.

Siddall's next request was to transfer \$35,400.00 from line item 0702 533-1000.08, group insurance, to line item 0702 533-2000.11, gas, oil & lube. Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

The next request by Siddall was to transfer \$2,800.00 from line item 0702 530-3000.05 telephone, and \$8,000.00 from line item 0702 530-3000.25 utilities, to line item 0702 531-2000.16, bituminous. Councilman Radkiewicz made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilman Pearman. The motion passed with all ayes.

Carl Goodrich, Courthouse Custodian, appeared before the Council to request an appropriation request of \$ 19,503.26 from the Cumulative Capital Fund, to allow the final payment to Oracle for the elevator repairs, and also a repair to the elevator machine room door. Councilman Radkiewicz made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilman Pearman. The motion passed with all ayes.

Goodrich then requested an appropriation approval in the amount of \$2,253.28 to pay for the replacement of damaged windows on the third floor of the Courthouse. He had submitted a price quote from Starke County Glass for that amount. Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

Goodrich then requested an appropriation approval in the amount of \$202.50 to pay for the repair of the heating system in the Courthouse. He submitted a copy of the bill from McGrath Refrigeration. Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

Jennie Carter, Coordinator, of the Drug and Tobacco Free Starke County, appeared before the Council to receive appropriation requests in the amount of: line item 1140 000.3000.12 Drug Training, in the amount of \$1,575.00 and line item 1140 000.3000.03 Drug & Treatment Program, in the amount of \$1,550.00. Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the appropriation request, seconded by Councilman Radkiewicz. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the 2012 Salary Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Radkiewicz. The motion passed with all ayes, and the 2012 Salary Ordinance 2011-4C was signed

Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes. Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the budget of the Starke County Community Corrections, for the July, 2011 – June, 2012 fiscal year. It was noted by IT Director, Joe Short, that Kim Kennedy, Clerk of the SCCC, was told by Council

President, Mark Smith, that it was not necessary for the Starke County Community Corrections to be present at the Council meeting. Councilman McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.

Councilman McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Radkiewicz. The motion passed with all ayes, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:46PM.

**NOVEMBER 21, 2011**

ABSENT \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Smith, President

ABSENT \_\_\_\_\_  
Mitch Semans, Vice President

ABSENT \_\_\_\_\_  
Judy Benninghoff

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Marvin McLaughlin

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Dave Pearman

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Tony Radkiewicz

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Robert Sims

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Katherine Chaffins, Starke Co. Auditor &  
Council Secretary