MEETING MINUTES MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 10, 2019, 9:00 a.m. 100 E Main St, Room 103 Montgomery County Courthouse

The September 10, 2019 Montgomery County Council Meeting was held at 9:00 am at the Montgomery County Courthouse. In attendance were Council President Terry Hockersmith, Councilmen Gary Booth, Greg Morrison, Tom Mellish, and Mark Smith. Auditor Jennifer Andel and Attorney Rob Reimondo were present, as well as Commissioner John Frey and Attorney Dan Taylor.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Council President Hockersmith called the meeting to order. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, then a Prayer given by Councilman Smith.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the August 13, 2019 minutes, as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carries 5-0.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS: None

IV. 2020 WCSW BUDGET HEARING & BINDING REVIEW

- A. Council President Hockersmith opened the hearing at 9:12 a.m.
- B. Auditor Andel presented, via Gateway, the WCSW proposed budget.
- C. Councilman Morrison stated he felt the Council should be proactive in exploring other options moving forward, instead of waiting until budget season.
- D. A motion to close, as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Council President Hockersmith. Motion carries 5-0.
- E. Council President Hockersmith closing the hearing at 9:19 a.m.

V. 2020 CRAWFORDSVILLE LIBRARY BUDGET HEARING & BINDING REVIEW

- A. Council President Hockersmith opened the hearing at 9:19 a.m.
- B. Director Theresa Tyner explained there was an error in the 2019 budget, resulting in an increase in the 2020 budget. They are seeking Council approval because it puts them over the growth quotient.
- C. A motion to accept their budget request, as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Mellish. Motion carries 5-0.
- D. Council President Hockersmith closing the hearing at 9:33 a.m.

VI. 2020 MONTGOMERY COUNTY BUDGET HEARING

- A. Council President Hockersmith opened the hearing at 9:33 a.m.
- B. Auditor Andel shared the proposed budget via Gateway, explaining the proposal exceeds the growth quotient. She suggested nightly meetings with the department heads to review their requests in more detail.
- C. A motion to accept the budget request, as made by Council President Hockersmith, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carries 5-0.
- D. Council President Hockersmith closed the hearing at 9:46 a.m.

VII. MONEY MATTERS

- A. Additional Appropriations: None.
- B. Transfers:
 - \$1000.00 from CoGen Superior Court 1 Law Clerk (1000.30057.000.0201) to Office Supplies (1000.24201.000.0201)
 - 2. \$2000.00 from CoGen Superior Court 1 Law Clerk (1000.30057.000.0201) to Seminars & Training (1000.33500.000.0201)
 - 3. \$1000.00 from CoGen Superior Court 1 Law Clerk (1000.30057.000.0201) to Interpreter (1000.30051.000.0201)
 - A. A motion to approve lines 1-3, as made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Mellish. Motion carries 5-0.
 - 4. \$1000.00 from CoGen Prosecutor Depositions (1000.30013.000.0009) to Office Supplies (1000.24201.000.0009)
 - 5. \$225.00 from CoGen Prosecutor Depositions (1000.30013.000.0009) to Law Books (1000.20150.000.0009)
 - A. A motion to approve lines 4-5, as made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Mellish.
 - B. Councilman Booth questioned why the Prosecutor needed money for Law Books when, as discussed in the last commissioner's meeting, everyone was going to electronic copies. With Prosecutor Buser not in attendance to answer questions, Booth motioned to table lines 4-5, seconded by Councilman Smith.
 - C. Councilman Morrison withdrew his original motion.
 - D. Motion to table lines 4-5 carries 5-0.

- 6. \$2000.00 from LIT Public Safety Sheriff Seminars/Training Expenses (1170.33500.000.0005) to Travel Expenses (1170.21001.000.0005)
- 7. \$1.00 from LIT Public Safety Sheriff Drug Investigation (1170.20077.000.0005) to Drug Investigation/Supplies (1170.30077.000.0005)
 - A. A motion to approve lines 6-7, as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carries 5-0.
- C. Reductions: None.
 - a. Councilman Booth urged all department heads to review their 2019 budgets and turn in all reductions available prior to the Budget Adoption.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Commissary Fund Expenditure Request Sheriff Ryan Needham
 - a. Sheriff Needham is seeking approval to purchase a pole barn. He's gathered 3 bids and the project should come in around \$58,000, which will be fully funded by the commissary funds. The barn will be used for storage.
 - A motion to approve the purchase of a pole barn using commissary funds, as made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carries 5-0
- B. Pre-Adoption Budget Meetings with Department Heads
 - a. A motion to hold pre-adoption budget meetings on September 25 and 26 at 6 p.m. at the Jail, as made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carries 5-0.
 - b. Councilman Booth volunteered to work with the Sheriff to get a PA system.
 - c. Auditor Andel will schedule the department heads.
- IX. OLD BUSINESS: None

X. STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS:

- A. Commissioner John Frey, with the assistance of Highway Engineer Jim Peck, presented a detailed view of the plan moving forward with the Highway Department and the subsequent needs reflected in the proposed 2020 budget. With the estimated reduction in MVH and LRS funding from State, consultant Jeff Peters, offered a suggestion of obtaining a bond to pay for the projects laid out. He also presented the idea of imposing an economic development tax or increasing the income tax.
 - a. Frey also requested approval of an additional appropriation request, which was turned in on schedule. Auditor Andel explained the additional appropriation requests were not advertised according to statute, due to a delay in one of the newspapers, which resulted in them being rescheduled to the October meeting. Attorney Taylor confirmed no exceptions could be made.
- B. Auditor Jennifer Andel reminded everyone of the tax sale being held tomorrow, September 11, in the Council Chambers. There will be around 100 parcels.
 - a. Andel stated the SBOA is ongoing, but on schedule to finish up by end of month.
 - b. She shared there will be a state called training October 22 and 23, and she will be closing her office those days so her deputies could attend. That is a pay week and she will be requesting department heads have all vouchers submitted that Monday, October 21.
- C. Sheriff Ryan Needham extended a public "thank you" for the body scanner. It has been running for two weeks and has had three positive scans. In his opinion, it has already paid for itself.

XI. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

- A. Public Defender Department Bryan Donaldson shared they expect to be moving his offices to the third floor in the next few months.
- XII. FUNDED ORGANIZATION REPORTS: None.
- XIII. COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS: None.
- XIV. CLAIMS: None.
- XV. INSERT: Next regular Council Meeting, BUDGET ADOPTION: 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 8, 2019 @ Montgomery County Courthouse
- XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
- XVII. ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn, as made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carries 5-0.

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Jennifer Andel, Auditor