

MEETING MINUTES  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AUGUST 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.  
City of Crawfordsville Council Chambers,  
300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana

The August 11, 2020 Montgomery County Council Meeting was held at 9:00 am at the City of Crawfordsville Council Chambers. In attendance were Council Vice President Tom Mellish and Councilmen Gary Booth, Don Mills, Greg Morrison, Mark Davidson and Mark Smith. Chief Deputy Auditor Mindy Byers and Council Attorney Rob Reimondo were present. Also in attendance were Attorney Dan Taylor and Commissioner President Jim Fulwider. Council President Terry Hockersmith passed away on August 6, 2020.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Council Vice President Tom Mellish called the meeting to order, followed by a moment of silence with respect for Terry Hockersmith, sitting County Council President. Councilman Mills gave a prayer.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 14, 2020 Council Meeting
  - a. This motion was tabled due to needed amendments.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS: None.
- IV. MONEY MATTERS:
  - A. Additional Appropriations:
    1. \$400.00 to K9 Gift Fund – Supplies (4975.24202.000.0005)
    2. \$984.80 REIMB to CoGen/Jail – Meals (1000.20004.000.0380)
      - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve lines 1 and 2, seconded Councilman Booth. Motion carried 6-0.
    3. \$180.00 to CoGen/Superior 2 – Interpreter (1000.30051.000.0202)
      - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Smith. Motion carried 6-0.
    4. \$1,675.00 to CoGen/Probation – Salary (1000.11209.000.0235)
      - a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Mills. Motion carried 6-0.
    5. \$4,050.00 to Drug Free LCC/Probation – Substance Abuse Assessments (9136.30180.000.0235)
    6. \$3,500.00 to Drug Free LCC/Probation – Juvenile Drug Screens (9136.30179.000.0235)
    7. \$1,000.00 to Drug Free LCC/Probation – Vet Court Incentives (9136.31221.000.0235)
    8. \$2,500.00 to Drug Free LCC/Probation – Drug Court Incentives (9136.30181.000.0235)
    9. \$3,000.00 to Drug Free LCC/Probation – Juvenile Moral Reconciliation Therapy (9136.30902.000.0235)
      - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve lines 5 through 9, seconded Councilman Booth. Motion carried 6-0.
    10. \$2,500.00 to Court Referral/Probation – Equipment (4905.44500.000.0235)
      - a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Mills. Motion carried 6-0.
    11. \$750.00 to Drug Free Mont Co/Health – Supplies (9127.24202.000.0610)
    12. \$750.00 to Drug Free Mont Co/Health – Advertising (9127.30172.000.0610)
      - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve lines 11 and 12, seconded Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 6-0.
    13. \$500.00 to Sharps Disposal/Heath – Supplies (9146.24202.000.0610)
      - a. Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Mills. Motion carried 6-0.
  - B. Transfers:
    1. \$640.19 from CoGen/Prosecutor – Copier Lease (1000.30016.000.0009) to IT (1000.30128.000.0009)
    2. \$513.36 from CoGen/Prosecutor – Copier Lease (1000.30016.000.0009) to IT (1000.30128.000.0009)
    3. \$186.23 from CoGen/Prosecutor – Copier Lease (1000.30016.000.0009) to IT (1000.30128.000.0009)
      - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve lines 1 through 3, seconded

Councilman Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

4. \$72.00 from Health – Non-insured Medical (1159.20011.000.0610) to Medical Mal Practice (1159.30089.000.0610)
  - a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 6-0.
5. \$600.00 from CoGen/Council – Attorney Fees (1000.30230.000.0061) to Financial Consultant (1000.30019.000.0061)
  - a. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.
6. \$12,670.55 from CCD/Commissioners – Equipment (1138.44501.000.0068) to County Building Improvement (1138.30129.000.0068)
  - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Set Budget Hearing and Adoption Dates
- B. Pre-Adoption Budget Meetings with Department Heads
  1. Councilman Booth made a motion to hold the Budget Hearing and Budget Adoption during the next two scheduled council meetings, September 8 and October 11, 2020. He added the department head meetings be held on September 23 and 24, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the County Jail. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
- C. Resolution 2020-7 – Authorizing Entry into Installment Contract re: County Annex
  1. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 5-0-1, with Councilman Morrison abstaining due to a personal conflict.
- D. ERPS Committee Recommendation – Status of Custodian
  1. Tom Mellish, on behalf of the ERPS Committee, suggested making the Custodian position full-time effective January 1, 2021, a unanimous decision by the committee.
  2. Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 6-0.
- E. ERPS Committee Recommendation – GIS/Mapping Department
  1. Tom Mellish, on behalf of the ERPS Committee, suggested the County bring the GIS/Mapping Department back in-house, a unanimous decision by the committee.
  2. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.

VI. OLD BUSINESS: None.

VII. STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS:

- A. Commissioner President Jim Fulwider expressed that the Commissioners would like to replace the County Administrator position and would like council member input during the hiring process.
- B. Mindy Byers, Chief Deputy Auditor, announced the Auditor's Office would be closing from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2020 to attend Terry Hockersmith's funeral. She added that she has rescheduled the Budget Workshop with the State to 1 p.m. on August 20, 2020. Lastly, she corrected the date for the Budget Adoption. The Council Meeting in October is on the 13<sup>th</sup>, not the 11<sup>th</sup>. She asked for a correction to the motion made earlier in the meeting.
  - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to suspend the rules to make the correction, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 6-0.
  - b. Councilman Booth made a motion to hold the Budget Adoption during the October Council Meeting on October 13, 2020. Councilman Davidson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
- C. Treasurer Heather Laffoon announced the advertisement for the 2020 Tax Sale would be published this week.

VIII. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

- A. Health Department – Amber Reed reported all local school corporations are open on a hybrid plan.

IX. FUNDED ORGANIZATIONS' REPORTS: None.

- X. COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS: In lieu of reports, each member took a moment to reflect on the life of Terry Hockersmith and share a story or memory.

- XI. CLAIMS:
- A. \$3,564.00 – Capper, Tulley & Reimondo – Services Rendered through 08/03/20
    - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 6-0.
  - B. \$1,019.29 – Peters Municipal Consultants, LTD – Professional Services 7/24/20
    - a. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve, seconded Councilman Booth. Motion carried 6-0.
- XII. INSERT: Next regular meeting: 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 8, 2020 in compliance with public health emergency protocols at that time.
- XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT: Greg Morrison stated he spoke to Virginia Servies and she is concerned there will be a shortfall in funding for mail-in ballots.
- XIV. Adjourn: Councilman Morrison made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 6-0.

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Terry Hockersmith, President

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Tom Mellish, Vice President

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Greg Morrison, Councilman

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Don Mills, Councilman

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Gary Booth, Councilman

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Mark Smith, Councilman

Attest:

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Jennifer Andel, Auditor