

MEETING MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER
TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.
COUNCIL/COMMISSIONER ROOM,
ROOM 103, MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
100 E MAIN ST., CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN

The August 14, 2018 Montgomery County Council Meeting was held at 9:00 am at the Montgomery County Courthouse in the Council Room. In attendance were Council President Terry Hockersmith, Councilmen Gary Booth, Don Mills, Mark Smith, Mark Davidson, Greg Morrison and Richard Chastain. Auditor Jennifer Anel and Attorney Rob Reimondo were present, as well as Commissioner President Jim Fulwider, Commissioners John Frey and Phil Bane 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 Mills.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the July 10, 2018 minutes as made by Councilman Mills, seconded by Councilman Chastain. Motion carried 7-0.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS: None.
- IV. MONEY MATTERS:
 - A. Additional Appropriations:
 1. \$249.15 REIMBURSEMENT to COGEN – Jail – Meals (1000.0380.420.422.0.0064)
 2. \$412.84 REIMBURSEMENT to PS LIT – Communications (1170.0005.430.432.0.0017)
 3. \$6,979.97 REIMBURSEMENT to PS LIT – Vehicle Repair (1170.0005.430.436.0.0053)
 4. \$5,614.63 REIMBURSEMENT to PS LIT – Vehicle Repair (1170.0005.430.436.0.0053)
 - a. Sheriff Casteel presented lines 1-4 and 6-7. Lines 1-4 are reimbursements. Line 6 is funded by user fees and line 7 is coming from donations to the K-9 fund. Casteel thanked HHSB for their continued support of the K-9 fund, most recently two employees who gave their birthday money. He also thanked a private citizen for their donation. A motion to approve lines 1-4 and 6-7 as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 7-0.
 5. \$350,000.00 to Riverboat County Share – Contractual Services (1191.0061.430.431.0.0010)
 - a. Auditor Anel explained that line 5 was to cover a shortfall in E911, as well as new financial software as requested by the Treasurer and Auditor. Commissioner Booth questioned if the E911 shortfall could come from Public Safety. Auditor Anel stated there was not enough unappropriated in Public Safety to cover the shortfall. Sheriff Casteel added that he will be doing a reduction in the CCD budget, if that could be utilized. Attorney Taylor stated he would need to do more research on that, but felt the safer option would be to utilize Riverboat money, as requested. Attorney Reimondo agreed with Taylor. Councilman Booth felt the software portion of this request should be discussed after the presentation from the Auditor and Treasurer. A motion to approve \$133,728.95, the amount of the E911 shortfall, as made by Councilman Davidson, seconded by Councilman Chastain. Motion carried 7-0.
 6. \$15,000.00 to Sheriff Work Release – Repairs Building & Structure (4950.0005.430.436.0.0010)
 7. \$600.00 to Sheriff K-9 Gift Fund – K-9 Maintenance (4975.0005.430.431.0.0060)
 - a. Lines 6-7: See 4.a. above.

8. \$50,000.00 to Planning Grant #A192-18-PL-17-012 – Contractual Services (8116.0068.430.431.0.0TBD)
9. \$5,000.00 to Planning Grant #A192-18-PL-17-012 – Grant Administrator (8116.0068.430.431.0.0TBD)
 - a. Councilman Davidson shared his disappointment in the handling of lines 8--9, stating the deal was done before the monies were approved. A motion to approve lines 8-9 as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Chastain. Motion carried 5-2, with Council President Hockersmith and Councilman Booth in opposition.
10. \$1,000.00 to Drug Free LCC Grant 18/19 – Veterans Treatment Court Incentive (9123.0235.430.431.0.0221)
11. \$1,250.00 to Drug Free LCC Grant 18/19 – Drug Court Participant Incentives (9123.0235.430.431.0.0204)
12. \$2,800.00 to Drug Free LCC Grant 18/19 – Juvenile Drug Screens (9123.0235.430.431.0.0030)
13. \$3,000.00 to Drug Free LCC Grant 18/19 – Juvenile TruThought Program (9123.0235.430.415.0.0091)
14. \$4,050.00 to Drug Free LCC Grant 18/19 – Substance Abuse Assessment for Jail Inmates (9123.0235.430.431.0.0090)
 - a. Mark Bickel presented grant lines 10-14. A motion to approve lines 10-14 was made by Councilman Chastain, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 7-0.

B. Transfers:

1. \$3,000.00 from COGEN – Auditor – Property Deputy (1000.0002.410.411.0.0016) to Office Supplies (1000.0002.420.421.0.0010).
 - a. Auditor Andel needs to transfer these funds to cover an order for checks and more paper for her office. A motion to approve as made by Councilman Davidson, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
2. \$42,838.00 from Cum. Bridge – Bridge Maintenance (1135.0529.430.431.0.0053) to Bridge Inspections (1135.0529.430.431.0.0030)
3. \$80,242.76 from Cum. Bridge – Culvert & Small Bridge (1135.0529.430.431.0.0054) to 1135.0529.430.431.0.0030)
 - a. Lines 2-3 are to cover outstanding invoices for bridge inspections. Highway Director Jeremy Phillips stated these are reimbursable from the State up to 80%. A motion to approve lines 2-3 as made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
4. \$5,000.00 from Court Referral – Probation Officer (4905.0235.420.421.0.0010) to Office Supplies (4905.0235.420.421.0.0010)
 - a. This is to cover outstanding invoices for education materials.
5. \$20,000.00 from Court Referral – Probation Officer (4905.0235.420.421.0.0011) to Equipment (4905.0235.430.437.0.0052)
 - a. This is to cover construction to the basement of the Probation Office.
 - b. A motion to approve lines 4-5 as made by Councilman Chastain, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
6. \$4,000.00 from Innkeeper’s Tax – Program Grants (7304.0000.440.415.0.0019) to Legal Services (7304.0000.430.431.0.0010)
 - a. This is to cover an error in the 2018 budget where no appropriations were made for legal services. A motion to approve as made by Councilman Mills, seconded by Councilman Chastain. Motion carried 7-0.

C. Reductions:

1. \$24,499.94 from Statewide E911 – E911 Director (1222.0303.410.411.0.0011)

2. \$18,574.95 from Statewide E911 – E911 Assistant Director (1222.0303.410.411.0.0012)
3. \$18,099.97 from Statewide E911 – Supervisor (1222.0303.410.411.0.0013)
4. \$16,549.96 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0014)
5. \$20,892.30 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0015)
6. \$16,549.96 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0016)
7. \$16,924.92 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0017)
8. \$16,974.99 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0018)
9. \$17,624.99 from Statewide E911 – Supervisor (1222.0303.410.411.0.0019)
10. \$17,499.89 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0020)
11. \$16,824.89 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0024)
12. \$16,549.96 from Statewide E911 – Dispatcher (1222.0303.410.411.0.0025)
13. \$2,000.00 from Statewide E911 – Supervisor Pay (1222.0303.410.411.0.0030)
14. \$34,440.00 from Statewide E911 – Part-Time (1222.0303.410.411.0.0040)
15. \$4,400.00 from Statewide E911 – Wellness Center (1222.0303.410.412.0.0008)
16. \$28,381.32 from Statewide E911 – Insurance (1222.0303.410.412.0.0023)
17. \$34,327.84 from Statewide E911 – FICA PERF MEDICARE (1222.0303.410.412.0.0031)
18. \$3,807.20 from Statewide E911 – H.S.A. (1222.0303.410.412.0.0032)

- a. Lines 1-18 represent a reduction in the Statewide 911 Fund. A motion to approve lines 1-18 as made by Council President Hockersmith, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 7-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Kurt Homann – AWL funding request. Mr. Homann is seeking \$5000 from the dog tax fund to help support the AWL. A motion to approve as made by Councilman Chastain, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.
- B. Financial Software Contract – Low Associates, Inc. Treasurer Johnson and Auditor Anandel presented a contract for new financial software. Johnson explained her offices needs aren't fully encompassed in the current system and it is not favored by SBOA. Anandel added the reports take an unacceptable amount of time and the reporting requirements are only growing. The system they are both requesting is an Indiana company built specifically around Indiana statutes. It is in more than half of Indiana counties currently. It will allow access for all department heads and will help with claims, as they will be processed directly in the new system. In addition, if the contract is approved by September, the county will receive a \$15,000 discount. Councilman Booth shared he spoke to the current vendor and realized they had no plans to move forward, making their software a dead end. Commissioner Bane agreed that it has outlived its usefulness. Councilman Davidson agreed it was time to move on. Sheriff Casteel added his approval, that it would be a good move for his office. Councilman Chastain felt we needed to consult an IT expert. Anandel stated she had already asked Edge IT to review, receiving no concern. A motion to fund the project as written, with the source of funds to be determined, as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 5-1-1, with Councilman Chastain in opposition and Council President Hockersmith abstaining.
 - a. The commissioners agreed to address the contract during the meeting to ensure the county receive the \$15,000 savings. A motion to approve and sign the contract, as written, as made by Commission President Fulwider, seconded by Commissioner Frey. Motion carried 3-0.
- C. Discuss Special/Evening Meetings. Councilman Booth requested a meeting for Jeff Peters to discuss his 5 year forecast. A motion to hold a special meeting on August 21st at 10a.m. in the Council Room as made by Council President Hockersmith, seconded by Councilman Chastain. Motion carried 7-0.
- D. Presentation of 2019 Montgomery County CVC Budget. Don Mills presented the CVC budget, with no changes, except adding in Legal Services, which was erroneously omitted for 2018. This is funded by Innkeeper's Tax.

VI. OLD BUSINESS: None.

VII. STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS:

- A. Commissioners' Reports

1. President Fulwider reminded the council that the funding issues will only continue with E911 and suggested they look into modifying the current contract with the city. He also announced the county is finally self-insured, with regards to insurance.
 2. Commissioner Frey expressed that the CCD fund should be used for development. He also felt the Shelley Ditch should be considered an urban drain.
- B. Auditor Andel shared she is finished with certifying net AV's and there is an approximate increase of \$20 million over 2018.
- C. Assessor Sherri Bentley announced she will be requesting new software at the next meeting. She is putting together some funding ideas now.

VIII. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Nothing additional.

IX. FUNDED ORGANIZATION REPORTS: None.

X. COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

- A. Councilman Davidson announced there will be a county-wide job fair, open to all businesses on Friday, August 24 at the 4-H Building. He commended the AWL for the fantastic job they do in the county. He asked the commissioners to rescind what he considered unjustifiable ERA designations in the county
- B. Councilman Mills commended the Visitor's Bureau and CVC for the good work they are doing to move the county forward.
- C. Councilman Booth shared the ERPS Committee is nearing completing of the proposed salary ordinance. They plan to propose to the council prior to budget adoption. He also asked for prayers for Jim Peck as he is dealing with some health concerns.
- D. Council President Hockersmith sadly announced the passing of Rod Jenkins, asking for prayers for his family. Rod was the former Highway Director with many years of service in the county.

XI. CLAIMS:

- A. Peters Municipal Consultants, LTD - \$598.22. A motion to approve as made by Councilman Davidson, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Miriah Mershon stated her concern regarding the planning grant, stating she felt it was a blatant case of asking for forgiveness instead of permission. She went on saying that tactic was being used to strong-arm this county into zoning, which has been repeatedly turned down by the citizens of this county.
- B. Deanna Durrett stated her concerns regarding possible litigation costs from the small towns (Alamo and Darlington) 4 mile radius ordinance in regards to wind farms.
- C. Bill Mallum expressed that the 4 mile radius for the wind farms was not zoning, rather regulating clean energy. He also shared his concerns about the legality of OCRA.
- D. Dan Taylor, as a parent, wanted to thank the county for their continued support of 4-H.
- E. Jennifer Andel congratulated Beth Sessions on her 30 year anniversary with E911. That was followed by several others adding their congratulations.

XIII. INSERT – Next Regular Council Meeting and 2019 Budget Hearing/Binding Reviews: September 11, 2018.

XIV. ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Council President Terry Hockersmith. Motion carried 7-0.

Gary Booth, Vice President

Richard Chastain, Councilman

Mark Davidson, Councilman

Don Mills, Councilman

Greg Morrison, Councilman

Mark Smith, Councilman

Attest:

Jennifer Andel, Auditor