

MEETING MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
June 11, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville
(Montgomery County Jail Training Room)

The June 11, 2019 Montgomery County Council Meeting was held at 6:00 pm at the Montgomery County Jail. In attendance were Council President Terry Hockersmith, Councilmen Gary Booth, Don Mills, Greg Morrison, Tom Mellish, Mark Smith and Mark Davidson. Chief Deputy Auditor Mindy Byers and Attorney Rob Reimondo were present, as well as Commissioner President Jim Fulwider, Commissioners John Frey and Dan Guard 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 May 14, 2019 minutes as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Mellish. Motion carried 7-0.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS: None.
- IV. IMPA – Solar Park 5 Abatement Hearing – Resolution 2019-10 – Resolution Confirming the Adoption of a Declaratory Resolution Designating an Economic Revitalization Area on Application of the Indiana Municipal Power Agency.
At 6:03 pm, Council President Hockersmith opened the Public Hearing. IMPA Representative, Emily Williams, shared that this will be the 5th solar park in the community and that all energy is to stay local, green and renewable. Council President Hockersmith asked if, after decommissioning, it becomes hazardous waste. Ms. Williams replied no, adding that it is IMPA's responsibility to handle any decommissioning. She also shared that most parts are recyclable and all posts are driven, using no cement. Hockersmith asked the public for comment, to which there was none. A motion was made by Councilman Davidson to approve the Abatement Request, seconded by Councilman Mellish. Motion carried 6-0-1, with Councilman Morrison abstaining due to his company representing the land that will host the solar park. Council President closed the Public Hearing at 6:10 pm.
- V. MONEY MATTERS
 - A. Additional Appropriations
 1. \$22,816.40 – COGEN – Probation – Office Admin (1000.11409.0235)
Chief Probation Officer, Andria Geigle, asked that the balance of the salary for her Office Admin be paid out of the General fund. It is currently being paid out of her Supplemental fund (2100). A motion to approve was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 7-0.
 2. \$82,040.00 – REIMBURSEMENT – COGEN – Jail – Institute & Medical (1000.30118.0380)
 3. \$1,584.48 – REIMBURSEMENT – COGEN – Jail – Meals (1000.20004.0380)
 4. \$149,000.00 – PS LIT – Body Scanner (1170.40003.0005)
 5. \$100.00 – SHERIFF DONATION – Supplies (4996.24202.0005)
Sheriff Needham presented lines 2-5 for approval, with a special thanks to Midwest Bale Ties for their generous donation. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 7-0.
 6. \$400,000.00 – HIGHWAY – Stone, Gravel, Sand (1176.20015.0529)
Commissioner Frey stated the Highway Department is out of stone, but that this should cover them through the end of the year. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Mellish. Motion carried 7-0.
 7. \$5,790.90 – PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION GRANT – Interns (9114.31060.0610)
Chief Deputy Auditor Mindy Byers presented this line, in combination with Lines B:4-5. These are to cover the interns used in the Health Department. The transfers simply fix lines in the financial software. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve lines A:7 and B:4-5, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
 - B. Transfers:
 1. \$1,000.00 from COGEN – Coroner – Autopsy (1000.30210.0007) to Office Supplies (1000.24201.0007)
Coroner Forman shared they have been able to save money in Autopsy, due to a state grant. A motion to approve the transfer was made by Councilman Mills, seconded by Councilman Mellish. Motion carried 7-0.
 2. \$110.50 from PS LIT – Drug Investigation/Supplies (1170.24202.0005) to Drug Investigation/Svc (1170.30077.0005)
A motion to approve was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Mellish. Motion carried 7-0.

3. \$1213.94 from Cum. Bridge – Bridge 182 Replacement (1135.60022.0529) to Bridge Inventory/Inspection (1135.60021.0529)
Commissioner Frey stated this is to cover a reimbursable expense. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
 4. \$3,200.00 from OVERDOSE RESPONSE GRANT – Interns (8119.11105.0610) to Interns (8119.31060.0610)
See line A:7.
 5. \$1,343.10 from PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION GRANT – Interns (9114.11060.0610) to Interns (9114.31060.0610)
See line A:7.
- C. Reductions:
1. \$22,816.40 from SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT PROBATION – Office Administrator (2100.11409.0235)
See A:1. This is the reduction to counter the appropriation request in the General fund. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Mellish, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
- VI. New Business:
- A. Resolution 2019-7 – 2019 Pay 2020 PP Abatement Compliance for IMPA – Waynetown Solar Park
 - B. Resolution 2019-8 – 2019 Pay 2020 PP Abatement Compliance for Nucor
 - C. Resolution 2019-9 – 2019 Pay 2020 RE & PP Abatement Compliance for Steel Technologies
A motion to approve A-C was made by Councilman Mellish, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.
 - D. AWL – Budget Report
No representation from AWL. Auditor Andel to follow up with AWL to reschedule.
 - E. ERPS Committee Recommendation – Donaldson
Councilman Mellish explained the ERPS Committee had met and agreed that Donaldson qualifies for the 2% increase according to ERPS and should be retroactive to January 2019. Moving forward, the ERPS Committee asked for direction from the Public Defender Council as to whether or not Donaldson's pay should continue through ERPS or be driven by the State. Council President Hockersmith asked that someone from the local PD Council be available at the next council meeting for guidance. A motion to approve Donaldson's pay to increase by 2%, retroactive to January, was made by Councilman Mills, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
 - F. Montgomery County Redevelopment Commission Declaration of No Excess Assessed Value
Attorney Taylor stated all money on hand has been earmarked for current debt and that a resolution had been presented to Attorney Reimondo. A motion to approved was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
 - G. Set Budget Hearing and Adoption Meeting Dates – Suggested: regular Council Meetings in September & October. Deadline for adoption is 11/1/19.
A motion to approve the Hearing and Adoption dates, as stated above was made by Councilman Mellish, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
- VII. Old Business: None.
- VIII. STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS:
- A. Commissioner President Jim Fulwider:
 1. Fulwider and Cheryl Morphew have begun meeting with businesses in unincorporated areas to better understand their plans, current and future.
 2. The commissioners passed an ordinance approving the new County Administrator position and will be asking the Council to approve funding. It was suggested by council to reduce the Cum Bridge rate to help fund the position in the General Fund. Fulwider stated there is concern in diverting funds away from the current infrastructure needs. There was much debate regarding funding and no resolution was reached.
 - B. Commissioner John Frey:
 1. Frey shared that he had met with some citizens of Mace regarding flooding issues caused by non-regulated drains. Mace is an unincorporated town, leaving the citizens to address this issue on their own. Frey requested Council suspend rules and appropriate \$30,000 to hire an engineer to assess the issue. Council President Hockersmith shared this had been addressed before and explained it takes only 10 percent of the citizens to sign a petition to get the issue in front of the Drainage Board, where he felt it belonged. Councilman Mills offered to meet with the citizens of Mace to explain how that procedure worked.
 2. Regarding the passing of the County Zoning Ordinance, Frey stated, the doors to the future are officially open.
 - C. Commissioner Dan Guard shared he has been getting up to speed on budgets and was taking all of former Commissioner Bane's appointments, with the exception of Community

Action.

D. Chief Deputy Auditor Mindy Byers:

1. Byers reported Auditor Andel had begun rolling out new financial software to department heads and elected officials, starting with the Commissioner Secretary, Lori Dossett. Andel will be sending User IDs and hosting training sessions soon.
2. Settlement has begun.
3. The RDC Excess AV Resolution has been uploaded to Gateway.

E. Treasurer Heather Laffoon also shared her office was currently working on Settlement.

IX. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

A. Chief Probation Officer Andria Geigle asked who handles the copier contracts. Attorney Taylor directed her to Commissioner Secretary Dossett. Geigle added they do not need funding, as it is paid through user fees.

X. FUNDED ORGANIZATION REPORTS: None.

XI. COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS

A. Councilman Greg Morrison asked if anything further needed done with Commissioner Frey's request regarding Mace. Council President Hockersmith explained the next step was Councilman Mills offer to meet with the citizens. No further action needed at this time.

B. Councilman Mills shared that the last Tox-Away Day, held at North Montgomery, was a success with about 500 cars.

XII. CLAIMS: None.

XIII. INSERT: Next regular Council Meeting: 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 9, 2019 Montgomery County Courthouse

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

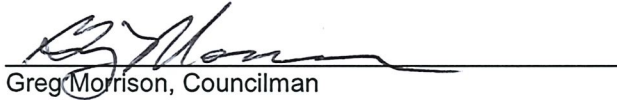
XV. ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 7-0.



Terry Hockersmith, President



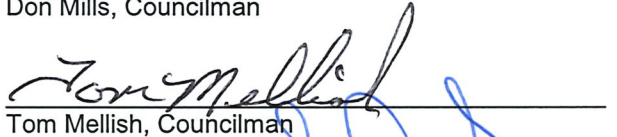
Gary Booth, Vice President



Greg Morrison, Councilman



Don Mills, Councilman



Tom Mellish, Councilman



Mark Davidson, Councilman



Mark Smith, Councilman

Attest:



Jennifer Andel, Auditor