

MEETING MINUTES  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.  
City of Crawfordsville Council Chambers,  
300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana

The September 8, 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, David Hunt and Mark Smith. Auditor Jennifer Andel and Council Attorney Rob Reimondo were present. Commissioner John Frey was also in attendance.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Council Vice President Tom Mellish called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer given by Councilman Don Mills. Mellish also welcomed David Hunt to the Council.
- II. ELECTION OF COUNTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
  - a. Interim President Mellish opened nominations. Councilman Morrison nominated Tom Mellish. Councilman Davidson nominated Gary Booth. With no other nominations, Tom Mellish was voted Council President by a vote of 4-3.
  - b. The appointment of President Mellish opened the seat for Vice President.
  - c. Councilman Mills nominated Gary Booth for Vice President. With no other nominations, Booth was voted Vice President by a vote of 7-0.
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 14, 2020 and August 11, 2020 Council Meetings
  - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS: None.
- V. 2021 MONTGOMERY COUNTY BUDGET HEARING & FIRST READING OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE
  - a. Council President Mellish presented the 2021 Montgomery County Budget requests and appropriation ordinance.
- VI. MONEY MATTERS:
  - A. Crawfordsville District Public Library Additional Appropriation Request Hearing - \$1,200,000
    - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
  - B. Additional Appropriations:
    1. \$15,000.00 to CoGen/Commissioners – Attorney Fees (1000.30230.000.0068)
      - a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
    2. \$151.81 to County User Fees/Probation – Participant Incentive (2500.30183.000.0235)
      - a. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion carried 7-0.
    3. \$1,050.00 to LIT Public Safety/Sheriff – Seminars/Training (1170.33500.000.0005)
    4. \$4,665.00 to Sheriff Special Donation – Supplies (4996.24202.000.0005)
      - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve lines 3 and 4, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.
  - C. Transfers:
    1. \$1000.00 from CoGen/Prosecutor – Copier Lease (1000.30016.000.0009) to IT (1000.30128.000.0009)
    2. \$763.69 from CoGen/Prosecutor – Copier Lease (1000.30016.000.0009) to IT (1000.30128.000.0009)
      - a. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve lines 1 and 2, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
    3. \$900.00 from CoGen/Weights & Measures – Travel Expenses (1000.30001.000.0308) to Fuel (1000.21000.000.0308)
    4. \$500.00 from CoGen/Weights & Measures – Insurance Reimb (1000.56601.000.0308) to Fuel (1000.21000.000.0308)
      - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve lines 3 and 4, seconded by Councilman

Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

5. \$500.00 from CoGen/Sup 1 – Law Books (1000.20150.000.0201) to Printing & Advertising (1000.30800.000.0201)
  - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion carried 7-0.
6. \$7,000.00 from CoGen/Jail – Meals (1000.20004.000.0380) to Equipment Repair (1000.30500.000.0380)
7. \$7,000.00 from CoGen/Jail – Extradition (1000.30119.000.0380) to Equipment Repair (1000.30500.000.0380)
8. \$30,000.00 from LIT Public Safety/Sheriff – Fuel (1170.21000.000.0005) to Equipment Repair (1170.30500.000.0005)
9. \$7,225.00 from LIT Public Safety/Sheriff – Radio Maint (1170.30007.000.0005) to Equipment Repair (1170.30500.000.0005)
10. \$6,000.00 from LIT Public Safety/Sheriff – Radio Equipment (1170.44524.000.0005) to Equipment Repairs (1170.30500.000.0005)
  - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve lines 6 - 10, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion carried 7-0.
11. \$3,000.00 from LIT Public Safety/Sheriff – Radio Equipment (1170.44524.000.0005) to Drug Investigation (1170.20077.000.0005)
  - a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 7-0.
12. \$765.18 from CoGen/Treasurer – Chief Deputy (1000.11300.000.0003) to Part Time (1000.11168.000.0003)
13. \$199.68 from CoGen/Treasurer – First Deputy (1000.11503.000.0003) to Part Time (1000.11168.000.0003)
  - a. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve lines 12 and 13, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion carried 7-0.
14. \$3,500.00 from Statewide 911/CCC – Additional Duty Pay (1222.11005.000.0303) to OT (1222.11021.000.0303)
15. \$1,500.00 from Statewide 911/CCC – Dispatcher (1222.11043.000.0303) to OT (1222.11021.000.0303)
16. \$5,000.00 from Central Comms Ctr – Phone Trunk Lines (4900.30148.000.0303) to OT (4900.11021.000.0303)
17. \$3,000.00 from Central Comms Ctr – Phone/Trunk Lines (4900.30148.000.0303) to Office Supplies (4900.24201.000.0303)
  - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve lines 14 - 17, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
18. \$6,000.00 from CoGen/Council – Special Appropriations (1000.30081.000.0061) to Financial Consultant (1000.30019.000.0061)
  - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.

D. Reductions: (see table below):

- a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve all reductions (see table below), seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 7-0.

<u>Fund#</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Account#</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Department#</u>	<u>Department Description</u>	<u>Amount Reduced</u>
1000	County General	11168	Part Time	0002	Auditor	\$1,500.00
1000	County General	11202	Property Deputy	0002	Auditor	\$3,200.00
1000	County General	11902	Payroll Deputy	0002	Auditor	\$4,000.00
1000	County General	30050	Contractual Services	0002	Auditor	\$5,000.00
1000	County General	30800	Printing & Advertising	0002	Auditor	\$1,500.00
1000	County General	32100	Dues & Subscriptions	0002	Auditor	\$620.29
1000	County General	50051	Inmate Cloting Reimb.	0002	Auditor	\$1,000.00
					<b>Auditor COGEN Total:</b>	<b>\$16,820.29</b>
1000	County General	11021	OT	0379	Courthouse Security	\$4,000.00
1000	County General	33500	Seminars/Training	0379	Courthouse Security	\$3,500.00
1000	County General	11838	Jail Officer	0380	Jail	\$17,531.00
1000	County General	20004	Meals	0380	Jail	\$30,000.00
1000	County General	30119	Extradition	0380	Jail	\$6,000.00
					<b>Sheriff COGEN Total:</b>	<b>\$61,031.00</b>

1170 Public Safety LIT	21000 Fuel Oil	0005	Sheriff	\$10,000.00
1170 Public Safety LIT	30017 Communications	0005	Sheriff	\$20,000.00
			<b>Sheriff PS LIT Total:</b>	<b>\$30,000.00</b>
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11074 Truck Driver	0529	Highway	\$12,052.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11168 Part Time	0529	Highway	\$10,000.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11319 Truck Driver	0529	Highway	\$7,300.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11429 Truck Driver	0529	Highway	\$3,800.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11853 Truck Driver	0529	Highway	\$21,840.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11854 Truck Driver	0529	Highway	\$21,840.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11855 Truck Driver	0529	Highway	\$21,840.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	11856 Truck Driver	0529	Highway	\$21,840.00
1176 Highway Unrestricted	12000 Social Security	0529	Highway	\$1,771.14
1176 Highway Unrestricted	12020 INPRS	0529	Highway	\$2,593.03
1176 Highway Unrestricted	12050 Group Insurance	0529	Highway	\$2,052.39
			<b>Highway 1176 Total:</b>	<b>\$126,928.56</b>
			<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$234,779.85</b>

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Animal Welfare League – Kurt Homann requested a donation of \$7000 out of the dog tax monies collected.
  - a. Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.
- B. Ladoga-Clark Twp. Public Library – Board Member Appointment
  - a. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve Melanie Brown as appointee, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.
- C. Darlington Public Library – Declaration of Fiscal Body
  - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion carried 7-0.
- D. EMA Advisory Committee Member – Council nominee needed to replace Hockersmith
  - a. Council President Mellish nominated Don Mills.
  - b. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
- E. Assessor, Recorder & Treasurer Liaison – Council nominee needed to replace Hockersmith
  - a. Council President Mellish nominated Gary Booth.
  - b. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
- F. Ordinance 2020-2 (corrected from 2020-1) – Montgomery County Bridge Note Ordinance
  - a. Councilman Morrison made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-2, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.
  - b. Councilman Smith made a motion to suspend rules, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 7-0.
  - c. Ordinance 2020-3 – Appropriations of Bridge Improvement Note was introduced. It will be presented for approval in the October Council Meeting.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS: None.

IX. STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS:

- A. Auditor – Jennifer Andel stated she has paid the Community Crossings Matching Grant and the amount needed was less than expected. Her office is also currently undergoing four different audits, two of them federal.
- B. Coroner – Darren Forman, when asked, shared his recuperation is going well.
- C. Treasurer – Heather Laffoon announced the next Tax Sale will be held on October 2, 2020 in Superior Court 2 courtroom.

X. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

- A. Health Department – Amber Reed announced there is a grant coming from ISDH.
- B. Probation – Mark Bickel, on behalf of Andria Geigle, shared they are working on grants.

XI. FUNDED ORGANIZATIONS' REPORTS: None.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS

- a. Mark Smith stated he was glad the county was moving ahead with the bridge improvements.

XIII. CLAIMS:

- A. \$132.51 - Peters Municipal Consultants, LTD for services through 8/24/2020
  - a. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 7-0.

- XIV. INSERT:
- A. B. September 23, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Montgomery County Jail Training Room: Special Council Meeting – Budget Workshop with individual Departments
  - B. September 24, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Montgomery County Jail Training Room: Special Council Meeting – Budget Workshop with individual Departments
  - C. Next regular meeting and 2021 BUDGET ADOPTION – 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at the Crawfordsville City Building and virtually, in compliance with public health emergency protocols at that time.
- XV. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
- XVI. Adjourn: Councilman Booth made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 7-0.

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Tom Mellish, President

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David Hunt, Councilman

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Greg Morrison, Councilman

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Don Mills, Councilman

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Mark Davidson, Councilman

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Mark Smith, Councilman

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Jennifer Andel, Auditor