

MEETING MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
September 13, 2022

The September 13, 2022 Montgomery County Council Meeting was held at 9:00 am at the Community Meeting Room of the Montgomery County Government Center. In attendance were Council President Tom Mellish and Councilmen Dave Hunt, Gary Booth, Jake Bohlander, Mark Davidson and Mark Smith. Auditor Jennifer Andel was present, along with County Administrator Tom Klein and County Attorney Dan Taylor. Councilman Don Mills was not present.

- I. CALL TO ORDER – Council President Mellish called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer given by Mark Smith.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 9th, 16th, 23rd & 24th, 2022
 - A. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion passed 6-0.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.
- IV. PUBLIC HEARING: MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT 2023 BUDGET
 - A. Council President Mellish opened the hearing at 9:05 a.m.
 - B. Auditor Andel presented the budget, stating no changes from 2022.
 - C. With no public comment, Mellish closed the hearing at 9:07 a.m.
- V. PUBLIC HEARING: MONTGOMERY COUNTY 2023 BUDGET
 - A. Council President Mellish opened the hearing at 9:07 a.m.
 - B. Auditor Andel presented the budget, expanding on the following:
 - i. A \$2 million excess levy appeal to cover EMS services.
 - ii. The Health Department will not receive a levy next year due to high cash reserve.
 - iii. Drop Cumulative Bridge Rate from 0.075 to 0.055.
 - iv. Open ERPS proposals.
 - C. With no public comment, Mellish closed the hearing at 9:12 a.m.
- VI. PUBLIC HEARING: RESOLUTION 2022-14 – MODIFYING PUBLIC SAFETY LOCAL INCOME TAX (LIT) RATE (APPROVING ORDINANCE 2022-4)
 - A. Council President Mellish opened the hearing at 9:12 a.m.
 - B. County Attorney Taylor presented Resolution 2022-14, explaining that it will increase the Public Safety LIT rate from 0.60% to 0.95% in order to cover shortfalls.
 - C. With no public comment, Mellish closed the hearing at 9:15 a.m.
 - D. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve 2022-14, as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion passed 6-0.
- VII. PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE 2022-5 – MODIFYING LOCAL INCOME TAX WITH A PUBLIC SAFETY ACCESS POINT (PSAP) LIT RATE
 - A. Council President Mellish opened the hearing at 9:16 a.m.
 - B. County Attorney Taylor read the ordinance and explained it will establish a PSAP rate of 0.1% to help fund the Central Communications Center operations.
 - C. With no public comment, Mellish closed the hearing at 9:17 a.m.
 - D. Councilman Smith made a motion to suspend the rules and vote on this ordinance today. Motion to suspend was seconded by Councilman Booth and passed 6-0.
 - E. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-5, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion passed 6-0.

VIII. MONEY MATTERS:

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:						
<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Dept #</u>	<u>Department Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Additional Amount Requested</u>
1173	MVH Restricted Fund	0529	Highway	21546	Road Signs	\$35,000.00
1202	Surveyor's Section Corner Perpetuation	0006	Surveyor	30050	Contractual Services	\$8,300.04
1197	Storm Water Review	0006	Surveyor	44500	Equipment/repairs	\$108.33
2500	User Fees	0235	Probation	21919	Incentives	\$160.00
9110	ICJI Handgun Grant	0005	Sheriff	20500	Ammunitions	\$15,387.00
TOTAL:						\$58,955.37

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS:								
Fund	Fund Description	Dept #	Department	From Account	Account Description	To Account	Account Description	Transfer Amount
			Description					Requested
1000	County General	0002	Auditor	11202	Property/Assets Deputy	33500	Seminars & Trainings	\$5,000.00
1000	County General	0002	Auditor	11202	Property/Assets Deputy	32100	Dues & Subscriptions	\$1,500.00
1000	County General	0002	Auditor	11202	Property/Assets Deputy	24201	Office Supplies	\$5,000.00
1000	County General	0202	Superior Court #2	30057	Law Clerk	24201	Office Supplies	\$500.00
1176	MMH (Unrestricted to Restricted)	0306	Engineering	11010	Engineer	20016	Bituminous	\$54,559.00
1222	Statewide 911	0303	CCC	30050	Contractual Services	11021	OT	\$6,250.00
4900	Central Comms Center	0303	CCC	11414	Dispatcher	24201	Office Supplies	\$3,000.00
4900	Central Comms Center	0303	CCC	44500	Equipment	30050	Contractual Services	\$5,000.00
TOTAL:								\$80,809.00

- A. Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve all Additional Appropriations, as presented. Councilman Bohlander seconded and motion passed 6-0.
- B. Councilman Bohlander made a motion to approve all Transfer of Appropriations, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion passed 6-0.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Ordinance 2022-6 – 2023 Appropriations Ordinance
 - a. Auditor Anzel introduced the Appropriations Ordinance, stating there were no changes from the current budget book. She reiterated the amounts were the requested amounts and will likely change as we continue through the budgeting process.
- B. Ordinance 2022-7 – 2023 Salary Ordinance
 - a. Auditor Anzel presented the Salary Ordinance in a format suggested by the State Board of Accounts. It is a general view of the positions and their salary range(s). She was going to ask the SBOA for further direction, as she is accustomed to a more specific approach. As this is only the introduction, tweaks will be likely after any ERPS changes and the creation of the new EMS department.

X. OLD BUSINESS: None.

XI. STAFF, ELECTED OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, OR FUNDED ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

- A. County Administrator Tom Klein shared on several items:
 - i. There was a ribbon cutting for the opening of Comfort Drive last week.
 - ii. The Commissioners have decided to move forward with the City of Crawfordsville for Emergency Medical Services. They are currently working through some possible changes, but an agreement should be made by the end of the month.
 - iii. The landfill CAP stabilization is nearing completion with 25,000 cubic yards of dirt being delivered. The remaining 2,000 cubic yards will come from the Tempur Sealy project.
 - iv. He wished Mark Smith and Lori Dossett a happy birthday.
- B. Auditor Jennifer Anzel presented a report she created showing the difference between the max levy and what is being requested in the budget. She will share the report to council via email, per request.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS

- A. Mark Smith stated he attended the Farm Bureau meeting on September 12, where the guest speaker was County Administrator Tom Klein. He praised Klein for his informative presentation.

XIII. CLAIMS:

- A. \$2,493.31 – Peters Franklin Ltd. for services rendered through 08/31/2022.
- B. \$14,100.00 – Ritter Strategic Services for EMS Project Tasks #3, #4, & #5.
- C. \$4,242.00 – Attorney Taylor's services through 08/29/2022.
 - a. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve all claims, as presented above. Councilman Smith seconded and motion passed 6-0.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

XV. INSERT:

- A. Next regular meeting, 2023 County Budget Adoption, and 2023 Montgomery County Solid Waste District Budget Adoption is Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., at the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row.

XVI. ADJOURN: Councilman Bohlander made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion passed 6-0.

Tom Mellish, President

David Hunt, Vice President

Jake Bohlander, Councilman

Don Mills, Councilman

Gary Booth, Councilman

Mark Davidson, Councilman

Mark Smith, Councilman

Attest:

Jennifer Andel, Auditor

