

**MINUTES**  
**FOUNTAIN COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**September 16, 2019**  
**9:00 A.M.**

The following Fountain County Council Members were present at the meeting: Dudley Cruca, Tom Booe, Jim Hershberger, Dale Clawson and Bill Glover.  
Jim McKee arrived an hour later.

**Dale White – Western Indiana Community Foundation**

The Council will be receiving an invitation to attend a couple meetings that will focus on the special needs of the county. The Lilly Endowment has given a grant of \$50,000 to do an assessment of the needs of the county to help it prosper. After the determination is made of what the county's needs are, \$100,000 or more will be awarded to help offset the cost. 150 letters went out to key holders in the county for their support as well.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Jim McKee and seconded by Tom Booe to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2019 meeting as presented. Vote: 5-0

**The Council reviewed the Following Monthly Reports:**

August Monthly Financial Comparison Report  
Treasurer's June Monthly Report

August Monthly Report of Collections - as submitted:  
Ambulance, Clerk, Health Dept., Recorder, Prosecutor, Sheriff

**Review & Acknowledge Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation and Monthly Comparison Report of Funds**

A motion was made by Tom Booe and seconded by Bill Glover to acknowledge the Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation for July 31, 2019 & August 31, 2019 and August Monthly Comparison Report of Funds. Vote: 5-0

**SALARY ORDINANCE - AMEND**  
**PTABOA – Board Members pay amount**

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Tom Booe to amend the Salary Ordinance to remove \$70 from the ordinance and change to \$100. Vote: 5-0

**Transfers – PUBLIC SAFETY**

\$1,000 From 1170-0380-44300 Building Repairs  
To 1170-0380-22060 Janitorial

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Bill Glover to approve the \$1,000 transfer. Vote: 5-0

**COUNTY GENERAL – RADIO DISPATCH**

\$2,000 From 1000-0303-10206 Operator  
To 1000-0303-22000 Office Supplies

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Dale Clawson to approve the \$2,000 transfer. Vote: 5-0

**COUNTY GENERAL – CIRCUIT COURT**

\$623.04 From 1000-0232-18100 Grand Jury per diem  
\$200.00 1000-0232-18500 Ct Report per diem Venue  
\$150.00 1000-0232-18600 Baliff per diem Venue

973.04 To 1000-0303-22000 Office Supplies

A motion was made by Dale Clawson and seconded by Tom Booe to approve the \$973.04 transfer. Vote: 5-0

**COUNTY GENERAL – AMBULANCE**

\$100.00 From 1000-0301-22000 Office Supplies  
To 1000-0301-22031 Tires

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Tom Booe to approve the \$100.00 transfer. Vote: 5-0

**Budget Adoption 2020  
COUNCIL NON-BINDING/BINDING REVIEWS**

**2020 BUDGET ADOPTION – NON-BINDING**

**Council non-binding Adoptions**

A motion was made by Tom Booe and seconded by Dale Clawson to accept all of the Non-Binding 2020 Budgets for approval according to the DLGF guidelines. Vote: 5-0

**COUNCIL NON-BINDING/BINDING REVIEWS**

VAN BUREN TWP TRUSTEE – Bonnie Morton

**RESOLUTION 2019-\_\_\_\_\_**

**Van Buren Non-Binding 2020 Budget – County Council Approval**

A motion was made by Dale Clawson and seconded by Bill Glover to accept the Van Buren 2020 Budget for Fire approval according to DLGF guidelines. Vote: 5-0

**The County Council made a motion to postpone the Budget Adoption until the October 21, 2019 meeting to allow the auditor to get all of the figures in properly and reviewed before adopting the final budget.**

**However, certain budgets were discussed and a recommendation was made. This included Highway, Sheriff, Jail, Ambulance, the Courthouse and the Health Department.**

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Jim McKee to recommend the acceptance of the 2020 Budgets for County Highway, Cum Bridge and Local Roads and Streets with a 3% raise to the laborers and secretary. Vote: 6-0

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Dale Clawson to approve the salary of \$35,000 for a 7<sup>th</sup> Sheriff Deputy to work mainly at the courthouse for security and fill in when needed on the road. Vote: 6-0

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Tom Booe to approve a \$5,000 raise to the Sheriff Deputies. Vote: 6-0

A motion was made to recommend the courthouse deputies be given a 3% raise. This would include: Auditor, Assessor, Treasurer, Recorder, Extension, Prosecutor and Clerk. Vote: 6-0

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Bill Glover to give the EMT –A position a 5% raise and a 3% raise to everyone else. Vote: 6-0

A motion was made to NOT allow the Health Department to transfer funds to cover continuing education fees for IU. This motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Tom Booe. Vote: 6-0

**Jasper Fogelman – Cemetery Commission**

Requested that he be allowed to do a survey on a couple cemeteries. The council and commissioners had requested financial reports to see where money has been going. Jasper turned that information in and they are currently looking over the information.

**Warren County Sheriff – Rusty Hart**

The CAD system needs to be updated. The mobile CAD system is using the 2008 version and they will no longer be supporting that version in 2020. The cost of the upgrade is \$31,000. The Warren County has agreed to pay half the cost leaving \$15,500 left for the County. There will then be a \$4,140 annual fee for maintenance. This upgrade was mandated by the Federal Government. A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Dale Clawson to approve the payment of \$15,500 to upgrade the CAD system pending Commissioner Approval. The funds will be transferred out of E-911 Repair & Maintenance and put into Equipment.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 21, 2019  
AT 9:00 A.M.**

A motion was made by Bill Glover and seconded by Tom Booe to adjourn the meeting.  
Vote: 3-0

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