

MINUTES
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COUNCIL
JUNE 20, 2016 AT 9:00 A.M.

The following Fountain County Council members were present at the meeting:
Dudley Cruea, Tom Booe, Jim McKee, Jim Hershberger, Dale Clawson and Bill Glover.
Joe Whittington was not in attendance.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Bill Glover to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2016 meeting as presented. Vote: 5-0

INTERNAL CONTROL - TIM BERRY, Director, Crowe Horwath LLP spoke to the Council about the 4 steps regarding Internal Control and that each county is responsible for creating their own materiality/ethics policy including the materiality level, risk assessment, policy procedures and risk of assets. The county has already done the materiality/ethics policy and an Internal Control Ordinance 2016-2. Each department will come up with a risk assessment or adopt the counties. There needs to be a check and balance so that one person is not doing everything in their office or department. Employees will be trained by a webinar on the needs of internal control by the Auditor. Before the end of 2016 the Auditor will be overseeing that all employees are trained and that all the policies and procedures are in place. Crowe Horwath, LLP offers this service if the County would be interested in an Agreement. The Council suggested that the Auditor get in contact with Tim regarding pricing to see if this would be feasible.

2017 BUDGETS - RON HOWARD

The Council Budget Review form has been discontinued. Counties will no longer be penalized for not completing the review process. The DLGF will be providing each unit with what their Max Growth Levy is to be used for 2017.

The State no longer recommends a binding or non-binding budget review for taxing unit's budgets. Solid Waste is still a binding budget. He went on to explain more of his recommendations to the council regarding the changes that are being made from the state and what the Councils responsibility is for the 2017 Budget Process.

LIT - LOCAL INCOME TAX

The State is restructuring the local Income Taxes and there will be 5 tax rates in the future. Cagit is being done away with so if the county has a balance in it at the end of 2016, they can transfer the remaining funds to County General. The CEDIT HSC fund will be done away with too.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The County needs to have a 2 year plan in place for this fund.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT - KELLY THORNBURGH

Greg Robison is going to be retiring in August 19, 2016. He has agreed to stay on for a few hours each week to assist with the new hire, Jenny Eades until they feel comfortable. She starts on August 24, 2016 and will be starting in the position that Eric Haley is in now as Assistant Environmentalist and Eric will be taking Greg's position. They would like to pay Greg out of the Local Health Trust account through Contract Staff at the same pay he is receiving now.

Isaac Hunter was introduced as the health department's summer intern. He will be paid \$900.

TRANSFERS - CORONOR

\$184.27 FROM 1000-0007-3300 TRAVEL/MILEAGE
TO 1000-007-22410 MEDICAL SUPPLIES

A motion was made by Tom Booe and seconded by Dale Clawson to approve the \$184.27 transfer. Vote: 6-0

TRANSFERS - AMBULANCE

\$250 FROM 1000-0007-33350 COPIER MAINT
\$250 FROM 1000-0301-33500 TELEPHONE
TO 1000-0301-33100 COMPUTER MAINT

A motion was made by Bill Glover and seconded by Jim Hershberger to approve the \$500 transfer. Vote: 6-0

ATTICA LIBRARY BOARD - Appointment

A motion was made by Jim McKee and seconded by Tom Booe to re-appoint Susan Stoll on the Attica Library Board of Fountain County for the 4-year term beginning June 1, 2016 - June 1, 2020. Vote: 6-0

2016 SALARY ORDINANCE Revisions – Probation Adm. Asst.

Currently the Salary Ordinance states that the Probation Adm. Asst. yearly salary is \$27,455 at 35 hours a week with a \$1,055.96 bi-weekly pay and a \$15.08 hourly rate be changed and pay her \$13.00 per hour while she is being trained.
A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Tom Booe to make the change per: the Judge’s request on the hourly rate while being trained. Vote: 6-0

Courthouse Sidewalks – Zach Thomas quote - \$4,826

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Jim McKee to approve the quote of \$4,826 and pay out of fund 1138 Cum Cap Development. Vote: 6-0

Fund 1193 Service Process name changed to Sheriff’s Pension Trust

Fund 1193 is currently Service Process and the Council needs to approve the name to be changed to Sheriff’s Pension Trust so that it could help fund the Sheriff’s Pension.
A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Dale Clawson to approve the changing of the fund name. Vote: 6-0

Sentry Roofing

Courthouse Roof should be finished this week.

Wabash Valley Alliance – Mental Health

The council has been requesting someone from the Wabash Valley Alliance to come to a Council Meeting to discuss where they use the money they raise. Also, a council member is supposed to be on the board for Wabash Alliance. The county contributes \$2,000 a year to the Wabash Valley Alliance.

Covered Bridge - Painting Quotes

Bud Peach received 2 quotes for the painting of the covered bridges. One was from Bobby Bass in the amount of \$11,000 for the Cates Covered Bridge only. The other quote is from Barney Carroll from Memphis, TN for \$9,000 to paint the Cates Covered Bridge and Rob Roy Covered Bridge. The council was in agreement to go with Barney Carroll.

Council Meeting dates for 2017 Budget Process.

JULY 27, 28, & 29, 2016	BUDGET WORKSHOPS W/DLGF
JULY 1, 2016	Auditor will hand out budgets for review
AUGUST 1, 2016	Publication of Budget on GATEWAY
AUGUST 15, 2016	Budget Hearings – Officeholders present 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
SEPTEMBER 19, 2016	Adoption of 2017 Budget Ratify Budget for County Units (Council Review of Budgets)

The Next Meeting Will Be July 25th, 2016 At 9:00A.M.

A motion was made by Tom Booe and seconded by Jim McKee to adjourn the meeting. Vote: 6-0

ATTEST

