

**MINUTES
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COUNCIL
APRIL 24, 2017
9:00 A.M.**

The following Fountain County Council members were present at the meeting:
Dudley Cruea, Tom Booe , Bill Glover, Joe Whittington, and Jim Hershberger.
Dale Clawson & Jim McKee were absent.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Joe Whittington and seconded by Jim Hershberger to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 meeting as presented. Vote: 5-0

Courthouse Security

Commissioner, Don Hesler updated the Council on the recent Courthouse Security Meeting regarding security presence. One option was to possibly impose a fee by the Judge/Courts to help fund paying a part time person for security and there was discussion on the proposed Ordinance on Possession of Weapons in the Fountain County Courthouse. The Judge has requested that the 2nd Probation Officer, Chris O'Brien be certified to carry a gun in the courthouse. The Ordinance has not yet been approved by the Commissioners.

TRANSFERS

Transfer – Re-Assessment

\$1,270.00 From 1188-0000-33000 Postage
To 1188-0000-33080 Website

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Tom Booe to approve the \$1,270.00 transfer. Vote: 5-0

Transfer – County General - Commissioners

\$1,485.23 From 1000-0068-33860 Juvenile Housing Costs
To 1000-0068-33261 Commissioners Special Legal Fees

A motion was made by Joe Whittington and seconded by Jim Hershberger to approve the \$1,485.23 transfer. Vote: 5-0

Transfer – E-911

\$14,400 From 1222-0000-10206 Operator
To 1222-0000-14000 Overtime

A motion was made by Bill Glover and seconded by Tom Booe to approve the \$14,400 transfer. Vote: 5-0

Highway Dept. – Bud Peach

Community Crossing Grant Program Application Assistance – quotes

PCS - \$14,576

HWC - \$30,000

B F & S - \$32,000

Based on the criteria of the grant: since Fountain County is below the population of 50,000 the match would be 25/75 and Bud wasn't sure that it would be worth doing. Otherwise, it is a 50/50 match grant for counties with a population over 50,000 with \$260,000,000 that will be divided amongst 92 counties in the state of Indiana. Bud will be going to a meeting in May to get more information. The County has 30 days to decide if they will be participating in this grant program. INDOT will need to approve it.

Ambulance – Garth Kagels

A quote from Keller PC has been given in the amount of \$3,560.00. This amount would cover a new controller board, syncing existing locks and troubleshooting and diagnostics. Garth is checking to see if they can simplify the system and will table the quote and look at other options for now.

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Joe Whittington to approve the Keller PC quote and pay out of (4932) Co. Gen. Maintenance to fix the door locks if the Commissioners and Garth find that it is feasible to do because of the complexity of the system.

Vote: 5-0

Garth reviewed 2015 and 2016 monthly run logs and account receivables beginning and ending balances to show the consistent trend of recovery 72% of the collections.

HB1450

HB1450 has been voted through both the House and the Senate for Fountain County to impose a local income tax on the residents in 2018 of not more than (.55%). The Council will need to pass an Ordinance to impose this tax. A County Jail Revenue Fund will need to be established to be used only for the purposes described in Section 25. IC 6-3.6-7-8.5 which applies to Fountain County. The Governor still needs to sign this bill. The County will need to work with several agencies for construction control, bonds, etc.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MAY 15, 2017
AT 9:00 A.M.**

A motion was made by Joe Whittington and seconded by Bill Glover to adjourn the meeting. Vote: 5-0

ATTEST

