

MINUTES FOR THE
CLINTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 14, 2020

The Clinton County Council met in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Clinton County Courthouse, Frankfort, Indiana on July 14, 2020, at the hour of 9:03 a.m. regular Council meeting, pursuant in accordance with law and publication as evidence by proof of the minutes of the last meeting, and any other business that may come before it. President Alan Dunn led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order. On call to order the following members were shown to be present or absent.

PRESENT

Alan Dunn
Clark Beard
Jeff Chynoweth

Mike Hensley
Jon Hussey
Jake Myers

ABSENT

Ron Gascho

Britt Ostler, Clinton County Auditor, was present to record the proceedings of the Council.

Others present were, Deputy Auditor Janet Lloyd, Sheriff Rich Kelly, Ashley Kelly, Liz Stitzel, Kevin Myers, Renee Crick, Alan Ostler, Jerry Ostler, and Kyle Resetarits as well as others mentioned in the minutes to follow.

Upon motion of Council member Beard, seconded by Council member Chynoweth, the Minutes of the June 9, 2020, Council meeting were approved 6-0.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Community Corrections Director Brett Barton stated there were 89 clients on electronic monitoring in June 2020 with 3 of those being juveniles and 3 on CTP. Their DOC grant application has been submitted and they should know the award by late September. The board has put the decision of a building on hold due to COVID 19.

PROBATION

The Council reviewed the Probation Report submitted by Director Nancy Ward. Juvenile detention costs for the first 6 months of 2020 were \$8147.00.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2020-08 Preliminary Economic Revitalization Area Resolution (Real and Personal Property Tax Abatement)

Katia, representative from Invenergy, spoke regarding the Hardy Hills Solar Project and the designation of the economic revitalization area. This project will produce 195 mega watts of power, enough for 40,000 households. This will be a \$200 million dollar investment in Clinton County, will take approximately 1 ½ years to complete, and employ 200-300 individuals during construction. The project will pay \$33 million in property taxes over 35 years. The Hardy Hills Project will not require any additional infrastructure to be added.

Council member Chynoweth commented on the project being a good fit for our community. Council member Beard stated this development suits the land, since it is highly erodible, and that most landowners seem pleased with the proposed project.

Joe Bower, an adjacent property owner residing at 4314 N. County Road 0, Frankfort, IN 46041, spoke against the project. He is concerned about decrease in property value, increased traffic on the county road and the aesthetics of the project. Discuss was held on his concerns with Council President Dunn reassuring Mr Bower that his concerns will be addressed in future meetings. In addition, he believes Mr Bower will be pleasantly surprised with the outcome. Studies have been done that show property values have not been affected by a solar project. There will be a coordinated effort with the Highway Department to improve the affected road. Invenergy will take many steps to beautify the project site, such as planting wildflowers to increase pollination and the bee population. Trees will also be planted to provide a visual barrier.

Council member Beard motioned, second by Council member Hensley, the approval of Resolution 2020-08 Preliminary Economic Revitalization Area Resolution (Real and Personal Property Tax Abatement). Motion carried 6-0.

BUDGET

Council President Dunn spoke regarding property taxes for 20 pay 21 stating that the Levy Growth Quotient has been released and will be 4.2%. Income Tax Projection will be available September 15, 2020 (estimate is 90% of last year's amounts).

OLD BUSINESS

ADP

Auditor, Britt Ostler, gave an update on the progress with ADP. They are a fantastic resource for private sector companies. However, as the County got further into the payroll/timekeeping process, it became clear that ADP is not currently equipped to handle government entities and abide by statutory regulations. Also, State Board of Accounts stated that ADP would not be allowed to access our accounts, thus the contract has been terminated. Auditor Ostler and County Attorney Tom Little had a phone conference with the ADP representatives last week and told them of the issues and of the County's desire the terminate. They were surprised, but understood the concerns and issues that led to this decision. The County should not be expected to pay any money to ADP because we were still within our 2 month, payment free, grace period.

Additional Appropriations Ordinance No. CO-2020-08

President Dunn read each request and then asked for a motion for approval of the entire slate of Additional Appropriations. Upon motion by Council member Chynoweth, seconded by Council member Hussey, the Motion to approve the following Additional carried 6-0:

Additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$191.37 in the County General Fund for 1000-380-03-0006 Jail Medical & Hospital.

Additional appropriation request from the Area Plan Commission in the amount of \$9500 in the County General Fund for 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector.

Additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Highway Department in the amount of \$68,900.00 in the CUM Bridge Fund for 1135-100-03-0026 Bridge 26.

Additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Highway Department in the amount of \$79,740.00 in the CUM Bridge Fund for 1135-100-03-0148 Bridge 148.

Additional appropriation request from Clinton County Commissioners in the amount of \$9500.00 in the CUM CAP Development for 1138-000-04-0020 COVID-19 IT

Additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$7650.00 in the Firearms Training Fund for 1156-000-04-0040 Weapons & Riot Equipment.

Additional appropriation request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$9000.00 in the LIT Correctional Facility Fund for 1233-000-01-0020 Jail Overtime.

Additional appropriation request from the Drug and Alcohol Coalition (Probation) in the amount of \$15,000.00 in the Drug Free Community Fund for 1148-001-01-0002 Prevention.

Additional appropriation request from the Drug and Alcohol Coalition (Probation) in the amount of \$15,000.00 in the Drug Free Community Fund for 1148-001-01-0003 Criminal Justice.

Additional appropriation request from the Drug and Alcohol Coalition (Probation) in the amount of \$15,000.00 in the Drug Free Community Fund for 1148-002-01-0003 Treatment.

Additional appropriation request from the Drug and Alcohol Coalition (Probation) in the amount of \$800.00 in the Drug Free Community Fund for 1148-002-01-0009 Miscellaneous.

Additional appropriation request from the Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$757.60 in the DUI Task Force Fund for 4011-000-01-0001 Payroll.

Additional appropriation request from Veteran's Affairs in the amount of \$2000.00 for 4103-000-03-0001 Misc Disbursements.

Additional appropriation request from Clinton County Commissioners in the amount of \$91,042.00 in the Landfill Tipping Fees Fund for 4901-000-03-0026 Liability Insurance.

Additional appropriation request from the Surveyor's Office in the amount of \$1146.96 in the User Fee Fund for 4902-000-03-0001 Professional Services.

Additional appropriation request from Community Corrections in the amount of \$736.98 in the Project Income Fund for 4912-000-03-0061 TRECS Collections.

Additional appropriation request from Community Corrections in the amount of \$677.84 in the Project Income Fund for 4912-000-03-0061 TRECS Collections.

Additional appropriation request from Community Corrections in the amount of \$145.00 in the Project Income Fund for 4912-000-03-0061 TRECS Collections.

Additional appropriation request from Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$199.00 in the Jail Treatment #1 Fund for 9116-000-03-0004 Adult Education.

Additional appropriation request from Clinton Circuit Court Office in the amount of \$39,822.37 in the Public Defender Commission Fund for 9123-232-03-0001 Clinton Circuit Court Pauper Attorney Fees (\$19,911.19) and 9123-201-03-0001 Clinton Superior Court Pauper Attorney Fees (\$19,911.18).

Transfers for approval

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$900.00 from 1000-079-01-0020 Overtime to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$2000.00 from 1000-079-02-0001 Office Supplies to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$300.00 from 1000-079-02-0004 Building Insp Code Books to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$1000.00 from 1000-079-03-0003 BZA Legal Services to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Myers to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$1400.00 from 1000-079-03-0013 Plan Mileage to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Myers to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$800.00 from 1000-079-03-0018 Fuel & Oil to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Myers to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$400.00 from 1000-079-03-0021 Printing to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Myers to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$400.00 from 1000-079-03-0083 Building Inspector Education & Services to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$400.00 from 1000-079-03-0084 Plan Seminars-Meals-Lodging to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$1200.00 from 1000-079-04-0008 Plan Software to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Beard moved seconded by Council member Chynoweth to approve a Transfer request from Area Plan in the amount of \$400.00 from 1000-079-03-0012 Postage to 1000-079-01-0015 Temp Building Inspector. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Myers moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve a Transfer request from Central Dispatch in the amount of \$5000.00 from 1222-000-01-0003 Statewide 911 Part-time to 1222-000-01-0030 Overtime. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Myers moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve a Transfer request from Clinton County Health Department in the amount of \$420.00 from 9122-000-03-0004 Immunization Grant Education and Training to 9122-000-02-0001 Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

Council member Myers moved seconded by Council member Hensley to approve a Transfer request from Clinton County Health Department in the amount of \$500.00 from 9122-000-03-0005 Immunization Grant Registration and Conference Fees to 9122-000-02-0001 Supplies. Motion carried 6-0.

Transfers no approval required

\$2,500.00 from 1000-311-02-0002 EOC Supplies to 1000-311-02-0030 COVID-19 Supplies
\$2,000.00 from 1000-311-02-0031 Maint. Supplies to 1000-311-02-0030 COVID-19 Supplies
\$450.00 from 1000-622-03-0043 Parkview Water & Sewer to 1000-622-03-0024 Pest Control
\$55.00 from 1000-622-03-0052 Parkview Repair Equipment to 1000-622-03-0053 Rep & MTC
\$3,000.00 from 1000-622-03-0052 Parkview Repair Equipment to 1000-622-03-0051 Repair Bldg
\$2,350.00 from 1135-000-02-0026 Highway Bridge Supplies to 1135-000-02-0028 Guard Rail
\$26,728.75 from 1135-100-03-0507 Highway Bridge #507 to 1135-100-03-0036 Bridge #36
\$3,700.00 from 1176-533-03-0001 Highway Snow Removal to 1176-533-03-0061 Equipment Rental
\$1,000.00 from 1176-530-04-0007 Highway Office Equipment to 1176-530-04-0019 Building & Plant
\$1,000.00 from 2050-000-04-0045 Probation Weapons/Ammo to 2050-000-04-0007 Office Equipment
\$16,000.00 from 4901-000-03-0020 Landfill Tipping Fees Fairground Repair to 4901-000-03-0025 Demolition
\$59.24 from 9118-000-03-0002 Jail Treatment Services #2 Mental Health to 9118-000-03-0003 Cognitive Behavior
\$182.00 from 9122-000-03-0008 Immunization Grant Mileage to 9122-00-03-0007 Billboard.
\$338.00 from 9122-000-03-0020 Immunization Grant Helmer Preventative Maintenance to 9122-00-03-0007 Billboard.

Council agreed to review the June and July Monthly Financial Reports at the August 11, 2020, meeting.

Council Reports

President Dunn reported we had a conference call with Baker Tilly regarding retaining their assistance to help with CARES Act and COVID-19 reimbursement submissions. They have agreed to a cap of \$25,000 for this service.

Council member Chynoweth reported that Healthy Communities have moved to the new Rossville Avenue facility. The Board of Health is currently looking for a location where the COVID-19 testing can be moved to.

Council member Beard reported that Wild Cat has planned to hire a second full time employee for quite some time. Clark Beard, Dennis Dunlap and Joel Freeman will be putting together networking in search of an employee capable of heavy lifting and willing to learn the hazards of the job. Sheriff Kelly is willing to provide work release inmates to help at Wild Cat as needed.

Commissioner Reports

None

Department Reports

Sheriff

Sheriff Kelly spoke about the Adult Education Program. 14 have gone through the program in 7 months. Elizabeth Alber has done a great job with the program.

There are currently 131 inmates in our facility. The Semi-annual Commissary report was given to the Council for review. An internal drug treatment program will start in August. Our medical company will provide them treatment inside the facility.


Still seeking to house federal inmates, which will help grow our general fund. The application has been submitted and we should know by the end of July.

EMS

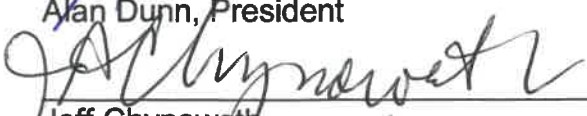
Director, Greg Miller, stated that drywall is being hung at the Mulberry EMS facility. Formal proposals for the East side facility will be coming in later this week. Covid numbers aren't decreasing. The State and County have been steadily increasing. Any residents that are suspected of having the virus are being transported directly to IU Arnett Hospital in Lafayette.

Meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

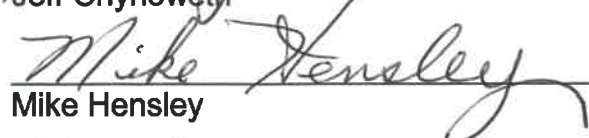
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ATTEST:


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