

**DUBOIS COUNTY COUNCIL**

**DECEMBER 13, 2010**

The Dubois County Council conducted its monthly meeting on December 13, 2010, at 4:30 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Courthouse Annex. Present at the hearings were Board members Gregory A. Kendall, Jerry R. Hunefeld, Mark A. Brescher, Donna L. Schroeder, Bonnie J. Luebbehusen, Martha A. Wehr, and Deputy Auditor Sandy Morton. President Kendall asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the last meeting. On motion by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Bonnie J. Luebbehusen, the minutes were approved as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**RE: HIGHWAY TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

Highway Clerk Ann Messmer appeared to request the transfer of \$5,000 from Borden Hill Road and \$15,000 from 150N & 900 W to Gas, Oil & Diesel, all in the highway fund. On motion by Jerry R. Hunefeld, seconded by Mark A. Brescher, the transfer was unanimously approved.

**RE: WEIGHTS & MEASURES TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

Deputy Auditor Morton presented a request for a transfer of \$100 from capital outlay to supplies in the Weights & Measures budget. On motion by Donna L. Schroeder, seconded by Jerry R. Hunefeld, the transfer was unanimously approved.

**RE: AMBULANCE -ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**

Deputy Auditor Morton presented a request for an additional appropriation from Other Services in the General fund in the amount of \$5,300 for Ambulance repairs and maintenance as discussed at the previous meeting. On motion by Bonnie J. Luebbehusen, seconded by Martha A. Wehr, the additional appropriation was approved.

**RE: CLERK PERPETUATION -ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**

Clerk Kathy Hopf appeared to request an additional appropriation from the Clerks Perpetuation Fund in the amount of \$700 for rebinding of books. On motion by Donna L. Schroeder, seconded by Jerry R. Hunefeld, the transfer was unanimously approved.

**RE: SHERIFF -SHERIFF'S PENSION FUND**

Sheriff Terry Tanner appeared to inform the members on questions raised at the last meeting in regard to adding longevity to the Dubois County Police Retirement Plan. With one member not present, the council president proposed tabling the issue until the next meeting when McCready and Keene representative Elaine Beaty could be present to answer more questions. Jerry R. Hunefeld, seconded by Donna L. Schroeder, made a motion to table the discussion.

**RE: SHERIFF -SHERIFF'S PENSION FUND ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**

Sheriff Terry Tanner appeared to request \$60,000 to add a longevity supplement of 12 years to the Sheriffs Pension Fund. After discussion, Jerry R. Hunefeld motioned to deny the request for the additional appropriation. Donna L. Schroeder seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**RE: LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

Tammy Miller appeared to request a transfer of \$2,500 from Travel, \$695 from Printing/Advertising, \$1,000 from Cell Phones, and \$2,500 from Fire School Fees to Capital Outlay Equipment in the LEPC budget. On motion by Mark A. Brescher, seconded by Bonnie J. Luebbehusen, the transfer of appropriations was unanimously approved.

**RE: PROBATION PERSONNEL**

Judge Mark McConnell appeared to inform the council that Doni Jahn, Probation Assistant, will be retiring on February 25, 2011. As a result, he requested permission to hire someone early to train with Mrs. Jahn for one month. The salary for the new hire would be lowered to \$27,500 which will leave funding available for the new person to begin earlier.

Judge McConnell also informed the council that a mathematical error was made during the budget process. Mrs. Jahn's salary was inadvertently lowered by \$ 2,000. On motion by Jerry R. Hunefeld, seconded by Donna L. Schroeder, the motion carried unanimously that Mrs. Jahn should receive the same \$500 raise in 2011 as the other full time county employees. Consensus of the Council was that the error needs to be corrected at the January meeting with an additional appropriation and an amendment to the Salary Ordinance.

Judge McConnell requested raising the salary of the second Probation Assistant, Josh Gunselman from \$25,060 to \$27,500 to make the two positions equal in pay effective January 31, 2011. Following a lengthy discussion, consensus of the Council was to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$2,440 at the January meeting.

**RE: NEXT MEETING**

The Dubois County Council will meet on December 29, 2010, beginning at 5:00 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Courthouse Annex. The first meeting for 2011 will be held on January 24, 2010, at 4:30 pm.