

DUBOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

APRIL 29, 2013

The Dubois County Council conducted its monthly meeting on Monday, April 29, 2013 in the Council Chambers in the Dubois County Annex. President Kendall called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Present at the meeting were Board Members Gregory A. Kendall, Mark A. Brescher, Martha A. Wehr, Shane M. Lindauer, Jerry R. Hunefeld, Barbara Mathies, Nick Hostetter, and Auditor Kathy Hopf. President Kendall asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the last meeting. On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Mark A. Brescher, the minutes were unanimously approved as written.

RE: TAX ABATEMENT APPLICATION – SIC PROPERTIES LLC

There being no comments, objections or questions at the public hearing regarding the tax abatement application of SIC Properties, LLC, on motion made by Shane M. Lindauer, seconded by Jerry R. Hunefeld, the Dubois County Council unanimously approved the Confirmatory Resolution and Tax Abatement outlined in the resolution for SIC Properties LLC.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Highway Clerk Ann Messmer appeared to request an additional appropriation in the amount of \$283,000 from the Highway Fund for Bituminous. Messmer requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$8,000 from the Solid Waste Sticker Fund (\$5,000 for Gas Oil Lube and \$3,000 for Dumpster Sites). On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Gregory A. Kendall, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved. Messmer requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$500 from the Solid Waste Fund for Workman's Comp. On motion made by Shane M. Lindauer, seconded by Nick Hostetter, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved. Messmer requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$38,000 from the Local Road & Street Fund into Chip & Seal. On motion made by Gregory A. Kendall, seconded by Jerry R. Hunefeld, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Highway Engineer Jason Heile appeared to inform the Council that the additional appropriation in the amount of \$100,000 from Cum Bridge that was advertised for Bridge 114 will not be needed. The bids received were lower than the engineer's estimate.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT/4-H COUNCIL – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Highway Engineer Jason Heile and 4-H Council President Jason Schmitt appeared to request an additional appropriation in the amount of \$375,000 from the EDIT Fund for the construction of an emergency access road for the 4-H park and fairground property. After discussion about the expense involved for the limited use of the road and whether the road should be gravel, chip and seal or asphalt, Highway Engineer Heile requested that the Council appropriate \$30,000 from the EDIT Fund for design work in order to begin the project. On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Jerry R. Hunefeld,

the additional appropriation was unanimously approved. Prior to the next meeting, Council members will take a look at the property for additional discussion at the May meeting.

RE: MARC STECZYK – TOWN OF FERDINAND SALARY RECOMMENDATION PROCESS

Marc Steczyk, Ferdinand Town Manager, appeared at the invitation of Shane M. Lindauer to discuss the process used by the Town of Ferdinand to award performance-based salary increases. Steczyk told the Council that the change to performance-based raises has been well-received by department heads, and they have received no complaints from employees.

RE: SUZAN HENKE – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Ambulance Coordinator Suzan Henke appeared to present the quarterly report and a summary of fleet expenses. She requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$203,608 for the purchase of a new ambulance, lift equipment in the ambulance, and engine replacement in an existing ambulance. It was the consensus of the Council to advertise for the additional appropriation.

RE: SHERIFF LAMPERT – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Sheriff Lampert appeared to present the monthly jail report to the Council. He requested an additional appropriation from the Cum Cap Development Fund in the amount of \$75,200. Of this total, \$9,200 is for the repair of weather-related roof damage, and \$66,200 is for the spray repair to the roof. On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Mark A. Brescher, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

RE: PROBATION DEPARTMENT – CASH/CHANGE DRAWER

Auditor Hopf requested the authorization of a cash/change drawer for the Probation Department. The Clerk's office has informed the Probation Department that they will no longer be able to make change, and there is no other option for change on Wednesday evenings. On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Shane M. Lindauer, the Council authorized \$100 cash/change drawer for the Probation Department.

RE: DATA SHARE AGREEMENT – JOINT ORDINANCE

Auditor Hopf presented a proposed joint ordinance between the Commissioners and the Council establishing a policy for sharing GIS data. On motion made by Shane M. Lindauer, seconded by Barbara Mathies, the ordinance was unanimously approved.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$2,250 from the EDIT Fund for repair of the Haysville emergency siren. On motion made by Jerry R. Hunefeld, seconded by Shane M. Lindauer, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,000 from the COIT Fund for appraisal fees of county buildings and inventory. On motion made by Gregory A. Kendall, seconded by Mark A. Brescher, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$5,560 from the Pre-Trial Diversion Fund for the purchase of radios for the City of Huntingburg Police Department. On motion

made by Nick Hostetter, seconded by Shane M. Lindauer, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$712 from the Clerk's Perpetuation Fund for book binding. On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Barbara Mathies, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

RE: KRISTEN VANWINKLE – FOREST PARK HIGH SCHOOL

President Kendall recognized Kristen VanWinkle, a student at Forest Park High School, who was in attendance at the Council meeting in conjunction with her Government class.

RE: NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Dubois County Council will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2013, in the Council Chambers in the Courthouse Annex.