

DUBOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

MARCH 24, 2014

The Dubois County Council conducted its monthly meeting on Monday, March 24, 2014 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, Martha A. Wehr, Shane M. Lindauer, Jerry R. Hunefeld, Barbara Mathies, Nick Hostetter, and Auditor Kathy Hopf. Member Mark A. Brescher was absent. President Kendall asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the last meeting. On motion made by Shane M. Lindauer, seconded by Barbara Mathies, the minutes were unanimously approved as written.

RE: WELLNESS COMMITTEE – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Doug Uebelhor appeared to request an additional appropriation in the amount of \$18,000 for health screenings for all employees and spouses covered under the County health insurance plan. Susan Weisheit, Memorial Hospital Health Educator, explained the health screening process. Pete Franzman, Franzman Insurance, discussed how nearby counties have implemented screenings and utilized their results. It was the unanimous consensus of the Council to advertise for the additional appropriation.

RE: WAGGONER, IRWIN & SCHEELE

Kent Irwin appeared to discuss a proposal to conduct a job classification / compensation study for Dubois County. The estimated cost for this project is approximately \$43,000 plus expenses, which are expected to be less than \$4,000. The Council will review the information.

RE: DUBOIS STRONG

Dr. Alan Johnson appeared to discuss the 3 year strategic plan for Dubois Strong, which includes workforce growth, business growth and entrepreneurial growth. Dubois Strong is requesting additional funding from Dubois County for the next 3 years: \$180,000 additional in 2014, \$320,000 total in 2015 and 2016. The county currently contributes \$60,000 per year to Dubois Strong. It was the unanimous consensus of the Council to advertise for \$180,000 and to discuss at the next meeting when all council members were present.

RE: PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Kevin Crouse, Prosecuting Attorney, appeared to request an additional appropriation in the amount of \$1,500 from the Forfeitures Fund for a training in St. Louis that Deputy John Anderson and two persons from the Prosecutor's office will attend in July. It was the unanimous consensus of the Council to advertise for the additional appropriation.

RE: HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR POSITION

Council Member Nick Hostetter appeared to discuss the need for a full time County Human Resource Director, and outlined the job description for this position.

RE: COMMISSIONER LARRY VOLLMER

Commissioner Vollmer appeared to update the Council on the Radio Systems Upgrade project

Commissioner Vollmer discussed placing a safety box in each of the County schools that would allow direct communication with law enforcement in the event of an emergency situation. Vollmer was directed to research this equipment.

RE: COUNTY EDIT PLAN

Council Member Martha A. Wehr discussed the need for an updated EDIT Plan for Dubois County. Auditor Hopf will distribute a report of current EDIT Fund projects for discussion at the next meeting.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$200,000 from the Public Road Fund. On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Shane M. Lindauer, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested an additional appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 from the EDIT Fund for the Huntingburg Railroad Overpass Preliminary Engineering. On motion made by Gregory A. Kendall, seconded by Jerry R. Hunefeld, the additional appropriation was unanimously approved.

RE: SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Auditor Hopf requested a Salary Ordinance Amendment in the amount of \$965 for Jason Heile. On motion made by Shane M. Lindauer, seconded by Barbara Mathies, the Amendment was unanimously approved.

Auditor Hopf requested a Salary Ordinance Amendment for the Community Corrections Part Time Maintenance position to correct an error on the original Salary Ordinance. On motion made by Martha A. Wehr, seconded by Nick Hostetter, the Amendment was unanimously approved.

RE: NEXT MEETING

The Dubois County Council will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 21, 2014 in the Council Chambers in the Courthouse Annex.