# **COUNCIL MINUTES - JUNE 5, 2006**

#### MATTER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT FURNISHINGS

County health nurse Linda Miller was present with environmental health officer Bernie Sukala and Dave Bassett of Bassett Office Furniture. The environmental health office is the final portion of the health office to be updated. Current furnishings consist of numerous discarded unmatched pieces with little or no place for storage. Earlier in May the plans for the office were presented to the commissioners for approval. The commissioners recommended that the total request of approximately \$18,425 for the furnishings could be taken from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund

A motion by Keith Crow to approve the request for the furnishings for the health department was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

#### MATTER OF MINUTES

A motion Robert Wilder by to approve the minutes of the May first council meeting was seconded by Don VanWye and carried. One typing correction was requested by Janet Ordway. Since Janet was chairman of the meeting she would not have been the person who seconded one of the motions as stated.

#### MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

A motion by Janet Ordway to approve the prosecutor's request for \$3,600 for part time help was seconded by David Yarde and carried.

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve three requests by the Highway Department for tires, maintenance contracts and repairs and maintenance of the highway barns by painting and sealing, was seconded by Don VanWye and carried. The maintenance contracts were needed for to rebuild the engine of the loader and replace belts on the chipper. Replacement cost for tires on the graders and other large equipment are about \$1,100 per tire.

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve the request for \$30,000 additional monies for the Local Road and Street fund to cover the remaining cost of two dump trucks and hydraulics was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

A motion by Janet Ordway to appropriate \$3,284.75 to operating supplies account in the Tobacco Settlement fund was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

A motion by Don VanWye to approve \$3,100 from the Cumulative Capital Development monies to purchase new chairs for the auditor's office was seconded by Janet Ordway and carried.

Judge Wallace explained his request for funding the independent contract for Thomas and Hardy law firm to provide services as public defenders. The total amount for the contract is \$21,243.60. However a portion of this was obtained through the budget process. Councilman Crow asked if there was a means to transfer from other line items in the budget, but this is not an option for the amount was budgeted within all three courts. Monies from Judge Carpenter's budget have already been earmarked for the independent contract for attorneys Hugh Taylor and Adam Squiller for Guardian ad Litem services.

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve \$10,000 in additional appropriations for Judge Wallace for the contract with Attorneys Thomas and Hardy for additional public defender services was seconded by Keith Crow and carried.

#### MATTER OF TRANSFERS

A motion by Janet Ordway to approve the request for transfer of \$1,500 for the Circuit Court Clerk from overtime to part time was seconded by Keith Crow and carried.

A motion by Janet Ordway to approve the request to transfer \$499 from equipment repairs to furniture and fixtures and \$374 from office supplies to equipment within the Local Health maintenance Fund was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve transfers of \$3,500 from grounds maintenance to petroleum products and \$4,000 from ground maintenance to repairs and maintenance within the aviation fund was seconded by David Yarde and carried.

# MATTER OF IS DEPARTMENT

IS director Jack Smith reported that the county web site is now available on the Internet and gave a brief demonstration of the items available on or through the web site. Other matters addressed over the past month include the SVRS update and a request by Judge Carpenter for jury listing software. The sheriff's Spillman System is now posting photos and information on most wanted.net.

Jack explained the focus on funds for next year. JTAC may finally be coming together and it appears that 4 vendors may be selected. The \$7 fees collected by the clerk will be used to purchase licenses for use of the software and the remaining monies will be used to assist with hardware purchase.

The MHI system now employed by the courts can no longer be supported and maintained well. Use of this system is wasteful and time consuming. 1. Two software packages are being considered for the courts. CSI is a full court package with prosecutor and clerk coverage at a cost of \$140,000 and Maximus is a similar but more costly package at \$250,000. Consideration is also being given to the court recording systems which would be upgraded to digital, and a video arraignment system is scheduled for demonstration.

Councilman Wilder appealed for understanding in consideration of the costs for future projects with the IS department, stating that this will continue to be a growing budget.

# MATTER OF JULY MEETING

The council agreed that the scheduled July 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting should be postponed until July 10<sup>th</sup> to avoid confusion and allow for vacations planned around the Fourth of July holiday.

### MATTER OF TAX ABATEMENTS

A motion by Robert Wilder to receive the Compliance Forms for tax abatement and send them to the abatement committee was seconded by Janet Ordway and carried.

# MATTERS OF INTEREST - OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Smaltz called for additional matters to come before the council.

Councilman Crow asked commissioners if there was further information on issues at Sunny Meadows farm. The commissioners are taking an extensive review of the milking operation, but are not yet ready to make decisions of the future of the farm.

Commissioner Kaufman announced that administrator Kim Pierson is expecting triplets.

Janet Ordway stated that she had attended a meeting on public transportation at the Heimach Center, and feels that this would be an excellent opportunity for the county. The commissioners have already given their support to the Council on Aging in this endeavor, and the council has applied for a grant to perform the feasibility study for the project.

Another question was posed regarding the amount of time to be saved on a rescue call should the county pursue efforts to establish a central dispatch center. Councilman Smaltz stated that the time element was most important to the Garrett area. Commissioner Kaufman stated that he believes in the project, but he was not in favor of spending the amounts proposed at this time, and that even the lower estimate of \$10,000,000 was still in his estimation too high. Councilman Smaltz stated that the committee is still meeting and considering alternatives for use of buildings already owned by the county. This and other measures could further reduce the amount to be financed.

Councilman Wilder stated that he feels there is a great need to get the dispatch area out of the county jail. Other sites being considered are the old Indiana Bell Building on 7<sup>th</sup> Street and conversion of the basement meeting room in the county office building.

It is imperative that the CAD and radios be updated and Ben will bring a cost that will reflect reductions to the next meeting.

Commissioner Ort reported that the application of 38% calcium chloride to gravel roads has begun and that three new hand railings are being added to the front steps at the county office building. The steps are somewhat steep, and although there is also a ramp, an incident was reported several weeks ago. It is hoped the additional railings will prevent any further problems.

### MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Keith Crow to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Larry Moughler and carried.

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

**Sec.1. BE IT ORDAINED (RESOLVED)** by the County Council of DeKalb County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the said municipal corporation the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

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<u>ADDITIONALS</u>					
COUNTY GENERAL (0100	)				
Prosecutor (8)					<b>.</b>
Part Time (1075)	\$	3,600.00	3,600		0
Superior Court (26)					
Legal Fees (3282) RW AC	\$	10,000.00	10,000	_7_	0
<u>Highway (0200)</u>					
Tires (76.2233) Rw/fm	\$	6,000.00	4,000	_7_	<u> </u>
Maint. Contracts (76.3363)	\$	7,500.00	7,500	7	۵
Building / Structure Repair (76.3367)	\$	21,000.00	21,000	7	0
LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE (0510)					
Operating Supplies (99.2213)  LOCAL ROADS &	\$	3,284.75	3284.75	7	0
LOCAL ROADS & STREETS (1200)					
Vehicles (99.4461)	\$	30,000.00	30,000	_7	<u>o</u>
CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT (2530)					
Non-Budgeted Expenditures (99.5000) Dyw/Jo	\$	3,100.00	3,100	_7	<u>د</u>

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	Kutt a Crow
ATTEST:	Tharon & Grys
	Sharon Ġ. Hayes County Auditor