

COUNCIL MINUTES - AUGUST 1, 2005**Absent: Keith Crow****MATTER OF RECORDER**

Recorder Burtie Rynearson explained that she did not have enough work to warrant keeping the third full-time deputy Kay (McCann) Bennett. Burtie would like to have funding within her budget for the part time help, but nothing was appropriated when the 2005 budget was adopted. David Yarde questioned the legality of the matter, and asked for an opinion from the county attorney. Attorney McCanna stated that in his opinion it would be legal to appropriate and transfer the money at this time. Councilman Wilder stated that he did not feel the proper steps had been taken for this matter as no written requests had been submitted to the auditor. The council requested that the recorder prepare her letter for consideration later in the meeting. Attorney McCanna questioned whether Burtie had offered the part time position to Kay and suggested that it might be appropriate. Burtie stated that Kay was seeking a full time position and would probably request unemployment.

MATTER OF MINUTES

Councilman Wilder proposed questions for the minutes of the July council meeting concerning the Klink Resolution for tax abatement. The auditor had made requested changes to the minutes in the descriptive paragraph of the previous meeting, but there was no authorization for changes to the wording of the resolutions, which were signed at the July meeting. As the auditor was not the author of the resolutions, and they were signed as presented, the auditor felt that there should be a motion to correct them. Councilman Wilder also asked that the minutes be adjusted as he had rewritten them with regard to the Care of Inmates line item in the commissioners' budget. A motion by Robert Wilder to approve the minutes as corrected was seconded by Janet Ordway, with Janet's stipulation that the minutes for this portion are to be copied exactly as Councilman Wilder has written them. The motion was carried.

MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Judge Carpenter again requested additional appropriations of \$30,000 for legal fees. This request was made at the July meeting, but was denied for lack of explanation. At the July meeting Janet Ordway stated that as the judge's liaison she would speak to him concerning the request that it might be presented for consideration again in August. Janet explained that she has indeed spoken to the judge, and that most of the need is in the area of Children in Need of Services. This area often requires two attorneys if the public defender has a conflict of interest, or other areas of need arise. Councilman Smaltz questioned the large difference in expenses between the 2004 and 2005 budget, and wondered if there could be some method to cut cost. Councilman Yarde asked for Attorney McCanna's opinion. The county attorney stated that the council would be justified in requesting an explanation from the judge.

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve the request for \$30,000 for legal fees for circuit court was seconded by Don Van Wye and carried.

MATTER OF TRANSFER - SHERIFF

Sheriff Dennis presented his request to transfer \$11,957.96 from auto and communications to police equipment. The sheriff explained the process of stripping the interior of the new squad cars to install the wiring and police radio equipment in a manner not to cause safety problems, abuse to the wiring or allow the installation to cause other equipment to malfunction. This process may take up to one week to complete. The monies contained in the budget must be transferred for this purpose as they are fixed assets and must be purchased from a capital account. A motion by Bob Wilder to approve the transfer was seconded by Larry Moughler and carried.

MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS - CUMULATIVE BRIDGE

With regard to appropriations requested for small structures Councilman Wilder explained that he had received a printed explanation from Highway Superintendent Patton per the bridge study manual. These are all pipes that are three feet or larger. A motion by Robert Wilder to approve all requests for small structures was seconded by David Yarde and carried unanimously. Councilman Moughler asked for a time for completion of these small structure repairs. However Councilman Wilder stated that this was unknown.

MATTER OF TRANSFERS

A motion by Janet Ordway to approve the auditor's request to transfer \$32.99 from office supplies to furniture and fixtures to purchase a chair mat was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

Veteran Service Officer Brian Lamm requested to transfer \$75.00 from postage to office supplies. A motion by Janet Ordway to approve the transfer was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

The commissioners requested a transfer of \$228.00 from building and structure repairs to furniture and fixtures for the purchase of a dehumidifier and to reimburse the veteran service officer for an answering machine. (Auditor's explanation) The veteran service officer had requested to transfer money for an answering machine in July, however in reviewing the service officer's claims and considering the small budget, Commissioner Ort instructed the auditor to pay for the answering machine from the commissioners' budget. The auditor added the cost of the answering machine to the expense of the dehumidifier for the August requests (both are fixed assets) to allow the money to be placed back into the Veteran Service Officer's budget so that he might use it for other supplies. There was confusion as the VSO was granted money for an answering machine at the July meeting. A motion by David Yarde to approve only \$189.99 for the dehumidifier was seconded by Robert Wilder and carried.

Recorder Burtie Rynearson returned with a written request to establish a part time account, and transfer \$3195.13 to the newly established account. The letter was read. A motion by Larry Moughler to approve the additional appropriation of \$1 to establish a part time account in the recorder's budget was seconded by Janet Ordway and carried. A motion by Don VanWye to approve the request to transfer \$3,195.13 was seconded by Larry Moughler and carried. *Auditor's note (Being the addition of an account not established with the 2005 budget, and advertisement not requested, this will be addressed at the September meeting)*

A motion by Robert Wilder to approve the transfer of \$10,000 from copy machine maintenance to copy machines was seconded by David Yarde and carried.

A motion by Don VanWye to approve the transfer of \$350.00 from household supplies to furniture and fixtures for the Sunny Meadows budget was seconded by Larry Moughler and

carried. Commissioner Kaufman stated that claims currently being considered by the commissioners contained information concerning the purchase of fans.

Following a phone conversation with the highway superintendent, a motion by Robert Wilder to approve a transfer of \$1,000 from snow removal to miscellaneous equipment for replacement of obsolete equipment tools from the highway department budget was seconded by Janet Ordway and carried.

MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Larry Moughler to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Don VanWye and carried.

WHEREAS, certain extraordinary emergencies have developed since the adoption of the existing annual budget, so that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. **NOW THEREFORE**, to meet such extraordinary emergencies:

Sec.1. BE IT ORDAINED (RESOLVED) by the County Council of DeKalb County, Indiana, that for the expense of said municipal corporation the following sums of money are hereby herein specified, subject to laws governing the same:

	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	VOTE AYE NAY	
<u>ADDITIONALS</u>				
<u>COUNTY GENERAL (0100)</u>				
<u>Circuit Court (25)</u>				
Legal Fees (3282) <i>RW/dvw</i>	\$ 30,000.00	<u>30,000</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>CUMULATIVE BRIDGE</u> <u>(2500.99)</u>				
Small Structure #213 (35145) <i>RW/dy</i>	\$ 18,000.00	<u>18,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Small Structure #367 (35150)	\$ 18,000.00	<u>18,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Small Structure #362 (35155)	\$ 15,000.00	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Small Structure #101 (35160)	\$ 15,000.00	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Small Structure #59 (35165)	\$ 27,000.00	<u>27,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Small Structure #252 (35170)	\$ 30,000.00	<u>30,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>

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Sheriff (5)From: Auto &
Communication (2232)To: Police Equipment
(4452) *Rw/gm*

\$	11,957.96	<u>11,957.96</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
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Veteran Service Officer (16)From: Postage (3322) *do/dvw*
To: Office Supplies (2211)

\$	75.00	<u>75.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
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Courthouse (20)From: Building/Structure
Repair (3367) *Dx/rw*
To: Furniture & Fixtures
(4441)

\$	228.24	<u>189.99</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
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From: Copy Machine
Maintenance (3373) *Rw/dy*
To: Copy Machines (4440)

\$	10,000.00	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
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Sunny Meadows (24)From: Household Supplies *dvw/gm*
(2229)
To: Furniture & Fixtures
(4441)

\$	350.00	<u>350.00</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
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HIGHWAY (0200)From: Repair Parts-Snow
Removal (76.2285) *Rw/so*
To: Miscellaneous
Equipment (76.4451)

\$	1,000.00	<u>1,000</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
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ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF AUGUST, 2005

NAY

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B. Smalley

Robert A. Alder

James L. Ford

Donald E. Hayes

James Ordway

Larry Moughler

ATTEST:

Sharon G. Hayes

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Secretary of Appropriating Body