

The Organization meeting of the Hendricks County Council was called to order by President Jay Puckett on Thursday, January 12, 2017 with the following in attendance: Jay Puckett, Mike Rogers, Caleb Brown, Eric Wathen, David Wyeth, Brad Whicker, Financial Administrator Tami Mitchell, and Auditor Nancy Marsh. Councilman David Wyeth was welcomed to his first meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Jay Puckett.

IN THE MATTER OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by David Wyeth to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ELECTION OF 2017 OFFICERS

It was moved by Caleb Brown and seconded by Brad Whicker to nominate Eric Wathen as the 2017 Council President. Motion carried 6-0. It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Jay Puckett to nominate Caleb Brown as the 2017 Council Vice President. Motion carried 6-0. The gavel was turned over to President Eric Wathen.

IN THE MATTER OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2016 MINUTES

It was moved by Mike Rogers and seconded by Caleb Brown that the minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried 5-0-1 (DW Abstain).

IN THE MATTER OF THE CORONER

Former Coroner Steve Matthews, on behalf of newly elected Coroner, Rick Morphey presented two requests to the Hendricks County Council. Mr. Matthews requested that the Coroner be changed to a full time position and that the full time coroner be eligible for the county health insurance plan. It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Mike Rogers that the Coroner position be made full time effective immediately, with health insurance benefits. Councilman Caleb Brown stated that he wants to make the decision based on the work load rather than driven by health insurance. Mr. Morphey gave an update on time spent since January 1, 2017. Mr. Morphey stated he will keep the Council abreast of the Coroner's Office. Jay Puckett asked that the record reflect the county's thanks to the Matthews family for their service to the Coroner's office for nearly 50 years. Mr. Puckett stated the Matthews family had gone over and above with their dedicated service to the county which service has benefitted the county taxpayers.

IN THE MATTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES JOB RECOMMENDATIONS

Human Resources Administrator Erin Hughes presented the job description of the Coroner and stated it is a special occupation and as an elected official is not ranked. It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by David Wyeth to approve the Coroner's job description as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Hughes presented a job description for a part time Office Manager ranked at OSS 3 Non-Exempt. Ms. Hughes stated the current Commissioner's Office Manager is planning on retiring and

this part time position was created to cover the position until the Office Manager retires and the newly created position of Administration and Communications Assistant is in place.

Ms. Hughes presented a new job description for an Administration and Communications Assistant ranked at a PAT 3 non-exempt.

It was moved by Jay Puckett and seconded by Caleb Brown to approve the Administration and Communications Assistant position as presented and the part-time Commissioner's Office Manager at the current rate of pay as long as needed but to end no later than April 30, 2017. Motion carried 5-0-1 (DW Abstain).

Auditor Nancy Marsh reported that due to the stay issued by the Federal Judge regarding the proposed FLSA overtime rules, the employees that were moved from Salary Exempt to Hourly Non-Exempt have been moved back to Salary Exempt.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SALARY ORDINANCE

It was moved by Jay Puckett and seconded by Caleb Brown to approve the 2017 Salary Ordinance number 2017-02, as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2016 TRANSFERS

It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Caleb Brown to ratify the end of year transfers made by the Auditor's Office. Motion carried 5-0-1 (DW Abstain).

IN THE MATTER OF THE WORK RELEASE GO BOND REFUNDING, WHEEL TAX REVENUE BOND REFUNDING AND THE CONVENTION CENTER BOND

Financial Consultant Greg Guerrettaz was present to report there was a \$488,000 savings by refunding the Work Release GOB.

Mr. Guerrettaz asked for the Council's pleasure on how much to use from the reserves in Fund 4806 to pay down the bonds. It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Mike Rogers to move forward with option 2, dedicating a range of \$750,000 to a maximum of \$1,000,000.00 based on Financial Solutions recommendation. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Guerrettaz stated that the Executive Body needs to sign the engagement letter for the Convention Center project.

IN THE MATTER OF SUPERIOR II REQUEST TO BE REMOVED FROM THE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM

Judge Rhett Stuard was present to request that Superior II be granted their own budget and line items under the authority of Superior II. Judge Stuard pointed out that the decision to move forward with the Unified Courts was made prior to the new Circuit and Superior II judge elections. Judge Stuard stated he did not vote for the Unified Budget among his peers and that spending is out of control and stated he cannot participate with his colleagues on the unified budget. Judge

Stuard says he has participated in meeting after meeting regarding the problems with the spending. Brad Whicker stated he respects Judge Stuard and in general we are in a better place with the Unified Budget and it would be a monumental step backwards. Mr. Whicker stated he respects the request but cannot support it at this time.

Eric Wathen stated he wanted transparency to the taxpayers and he was waiting on additional information that he had requested at a prior meeting. Caleb Brown stated the big question in his mind was the status of the Public Defender Commissioner and if it would be in place by July 1. It was stated that should be Public Defender Commission be implemented, the public defender appropriations would be removed from the courts' budgets entirely.

It was moved by Jay Puckett and seconded by Brad Whicker that due to the fact that prior judges, with prior cooperation, had requested the Unified Courts, that they now be separated into the original 6 court budgets. David Wyeth stated he thought it would be more appropriate to be brought forth at budget time and that the council was sending a message where it was headed. Brad Whicker stated he was not in favor at this time because it was too quick of decision to include all courts. Mike Rogers stated he would feel more comfortable if the other judges had made the request and does not have the comfort level to vote in favor of the motion. Motion failed 2 (JP;EW) to 4 (MR; CB; DW; BW).

It was moved by Caleb Brown and seconded by Mike Rogers to separate the Superior II budget as requested by Judge Stuard. Brad Whicker said he was more favorable to that idea and Mike Rogers said he would like to hear from the other judges. Motion failed 3 (EW;CB;MR) to 3 (DW;BW;JP)

Judge Stuard stated he appreciated the time the Council gave him and understands their reluctance at this time. Brad Whicker stated it was the consensus that an opportunity exists.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STATUS OF FUNDS

Auditor Nancy Marsh presented the Status of Funds report for the Council's review.

IN THE MATTER OF THE EMERGENCY ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

It was moved by Jay Puckett and seconded by Brad Whicker that Emergency Additional Appropriations number 1 through 19 be tabled. Motion carried 5-0 (Caleb out)

It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Mike Rogers to approve Emergency Additional Appropriations number 21 through 23A. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Jay Puckett and seconded by Caleb Brown to approve Emergency Additional Appropriation number 24. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Caleb Brown to approve Emergency Additional Appropriation number 25 and 26. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Jay Puckett and seconded by Brad Whicker to approve Emergency Additional Appropriation number 27. Motion carried 5-0 (DW Abstain).

It was moved by Jay Puckett and seconded by Brad Whicker to approve Emergency Additional Appropriations number 27 through 50. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Caleb Brown and seconded by Jay Puckett to table Appropriation Reductions 1 through 19 and approve number 20 and 21. Motion carried 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REALLOCATION OF FUNDS RESOLUTION

It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Mike Rogers to approve Reallocation of Funds number 1 through 3. Motion carried 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Brad Whicker and seconded by Jay Puckett to make the following 2017 Council Appointments:

<u>BOARD</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Area Plan Commission	Brad Whicker	12/31/17
Emergency Management Advisory	Jay Puckett	12/31/17
Fair Board	David Wyeth	12/31/17
HCEDP	Eric Wathen	12/31/17
Health Board Liaison	Larry Hesson	12/31/17
Senior Services	Mike Rogers	12/31/17
Solid Waste	Brad Whicker	12/31/17
Solid Waste	Caleb Brown	12/31/17
HCCVB	Caleb Brown	12/31/17 (BCC Appt. 1 Year 1/10/17)
Regional Transportation Authority	Larry Hesson	12/31/17 (BCC Appt. 4 Year 1/8/13)
Community Corrections Advisory	Larry Hesson	12/31/17 (BCC Appt. 4 Year 1/13/15)
Hendricks College Network	Larry Hesson	12/31/17 (Network Appt. 3 Year 3/12/15)
Alcoholic Beverage Commission	Eugene Trapp	12/31/17 (Council 1 Year Appt. 1/12/17)
Coatesville Clay Township Library	Carla Gill	2/10/21 (Council 4 Year Appt. 12/17)
HC Redevelopment Com.	Jud Wolf	12/31/17 (Council 1 Year Appt. 1/12/17)
HC Redevelopment Commission	Linda Watson Stansbury	12/31/17 (Council 1 Year Appt. 1/12/17)
EDC Nominations		
EDC Avon	Marland V. Villanueva	2/1/18 (Nomination IC 36-7-12-6 (1 Year))
EDC Brownsburg	Joe Dunbar	2/1/18 (Nomination IC 36-7-12-6 (1 Year))
EDC Danville	Greg Van Laere	2/1/18 (Nomination IC 36-7-12-6 (1 Year))
EDC Plainfield	Steve Craney	2/1/18 (Nomination IC 36-7-12-6 (1 Year))

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2017 COUNCIL CALENDAR

It was moved that the February 2017 meeting be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday February 9, 2017 following the Joint Benefit Meeting at 12:00 noon. Thereafter the regular Council Meetings be held on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 9:00 beginning with March 7, 2017 with the exception of the July 4th national holiday which meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday July 5, 2017.

IN THE MATTER OF THE DATA PIT STOP INVOICE

It was moved by Caleb Brown and seconded by Brad Whicker to approve the Data Pit Stoop invoice in the amount of \$6,000.00. Motion carried 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2016 ENCUMBRANCES

Auditor Nancy Marsh reported the final 2016 encumbrances were reduced from the original request of \$10,200,052.00 to \$8,017,274.11.

IN THE MATTER OF CIRTA

Auditor Nancy Marsh gave an update of the CIRTA invoice in the amount of \$17,850 which was paid from the EDIT from the Commissioner's budget.

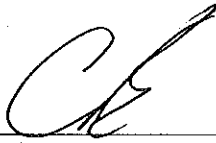
IN THE MATTER OF THE YEARLY INNKEEPERS TAX ½ OF REVENUE OVER 5% (IC 6-9-37)

Auditor Nancy Marsh presented totals in the amount of \$3,599,727.05 in revenue since the additional 3% was adopted with \$1,799,863.52 going to the Fair Board and \$1,799,863.52 going to the Park Board.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion made by David Wyeth and seconded by Brad Whicker, the meeting was adjourned Thursday, January 12, 2017.

Submitted,

Nancy L. Marsh
Hendricks County Auditor



Caleb Brown

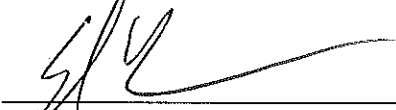
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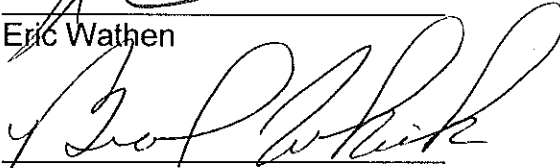
Jay R. Puckett



Michael C. Rogers



Eric Wathen

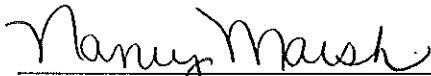


Brad Whicker



David Wyeth

Attest:



Nancy Marsh, Auditor