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Gibson County Council
Regular Session
January 18, 2011

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The Gibson County Council met in regular session on January 18, 2011 at 9 AM in the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members present:

Jeremy Overton, Pres. George Ankenbrand D. Craig Pflug Tony Wolfe William McConnell William George Leann Smith

The meeting was called to order with all present standing and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Jeremy Overton asked everyone if they could have a moment of silence to honor Robin Davis's family in her death.

Jeremy Overton notified the board that nominations were now open for President of the board for the year 2011. Craig Pflug nominated George Ankenbrand to be president of the board. Tony Wolfe seconded and Bill McConnell moved to close nominations. The council voted 7-0 for recommendation. Nominations were then opened for Vice-President. Tony Wolfe nominated Jeremy Overton as Vice-President. Craig Pflug seconded and Bill McConnell moved to close the nominations. Council approved nomination 7-0.

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting, December 20, 2010, were approved with a motion by Jeremy Overton and seconded by Craig Pflug. Motion carried 7-0.

Department Reports: George Ankenbrand recognized Leann Smith and welcomed her to the Council.

Dan Alvey presented the council with a end of month report for December 2010. Total year to date billed was $1,978,195.95. Total year to date collected was $1,172,381.93. With the percent collected at 59.26%. Write-offs asked for the month of December were $49,148.54. Dan further reported that he had done an internal audit and found where he was billing improperly, according to Medicare, and was probably going to have to pay back $5374.72. Dan Alvey also submitted a request to give Chris Everett 4% increase in pay starting January 6, 2011. Jeremy Overton made a motion to increase Chris Everett's base salary to the 94% level and have the salary ordinance to reflect that change on January 6, 2011. Bill McConnell seconded and motion passed 7-0.

Michael Stevenson asked the board to appropriate money out of the Section Corner Perpetuation Fund in order that he may fulfill his statutory obligation as County Surveyor for section corner perpetuation. He is asking that $10,000.00 be appropriated. He was asked what he did with that money and he stated that the money is used to purchase new markers of corner sections. State statute dictates that each county verifies 5% of their county each year. Five dollars of every deed recorded is used to fill the fund. Tony Wolfe made a motion to approve the request and Craig Pflug seconded. Request was approved 7-0.

Sheriff report: Sheriff George Ballard needs 2 members to sit on the Sheriff's pension board. Sheriff George Ballard informed the council that the commissioners passed an ordinance a year ago that allowed the Sheriff's office to collect a $200.00 fee on Sheriff's sale of property on unpaid taxes. This past year they have collected $27,200.00. A report on DOC was made on collections received. Sheriff Ballard made a proposal about his Chief Deputy position. He stated that he didn't want another administration position, but he did need another patrolman position. He is not planning on having a Chief Deputy for the next four years. The Chief Deputy Salary for 2011 is $38,633.00. He would like to hire a basic patrol deputy. The Basic deputy @ 90% rate is $32.665.00 which is a savings of $5,978.00. He would like to make a 2nd shift road patrol Sergeant which would increase a

basic deputy salary $644.00. He also would like to remove a corporal position on 3rd shift and make it a patrol Sergeant with a salary increase of $246.00. He would like to remove the Chief Deputy position and fund the other requests. This would be a total savings to the county of $5088.00. Tony Wolfe made a motion to remove the Chief Deputy from the salary line and authorize a basic patrolman at 90% to be hired. William George seconded the motion and was passed with a 6-0 vote with Bill McConnell abstaining because there is no money coming in this year and is afraid they will have to layoff someone. Jeremy Overton made a motion to table the promotion to Sergeant on the two shifts to consider impacts on salary ordinance. Craig Pflug seconded and passed 7-0. George Ankenbrand asked the Sheriff if the deputy would get the Chief Deputies supplement from the Community Corrections Department. Sheriff Ballard said no, the $6,000.00 would not be paid out.
Recorder's office wants the council to appropriate $15,000.00 from the perpetuations fund for part time help. Jeremy Overton recommended that this issue be tabled so the Human resources could be looked at before a recommendation could be made.
Nora Nixon of Tulip Tree Health Services of Gibson County, Inc. in Ft. Branch is asking for the $25,000.00 promised by the council. The council had approved the request in November, 2010, but had not stipulated what year it would be paid. The funds would come out of the Rainy Day Fund. Tony Wolfe made a motion appropriate $25,000.00 out of the Rainy Day Fund and make payment today. Motion was seconded by Bill McConnell and passed 7-0. Council reviewed a claim from county coroner on how he should be reimbursed for mileage. Since he drives a county vehicle how is he to claim expenses in using said vehicle. Council members said he should submit a claim for reimbursement for the portion of actual fuel he purchases that is used for county business, rather than the mileage rate, which reflects wear and tear on the vehicle. Council recommends that the commissioners establish policy on the use and reimbursements for expenses on the vehicle.
Health Department: Asking for additional appropriation be made in excess of the current budget. They are asking for $55,050.00. Council requests the health department not spend more money than what is in the fund. Always check with Marilyn Mason, in the Auditor's office, before spending out of the funds. Jeremy Overton made a motion to approve the appropriation with the understanding not to spend more than what is in the fund. Craig Pflug seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
Commissioners: Bob Townsend requested $20,305.81 be encumbered to pay for four gas monitored wells located on Gibson County Landfill #2. He also requested $215,927.69 be encumbered to pay for courthouse construction. He also requested some additional appropriations for $30,000.00 to cover 15 more gas monitored wells for Landfill #1. Tony Wolfe mad a motion to encumber the $20,305.81 for use on the landfill. Craig Pflug seconded and passed 7-0. Jeremy Overton made a motion to appropriated additional $30,000.00 from the Riverboat fund for the 15 additional gas monitor wells. Tony Wolfe seconded and passed 7-0. Jeremy made a motion to encumber $215,927.69 from the Rainy Day Fund. Craig seconded and motion passed 7-0.
Extension office: Extension Educator is requesting an additional appropriation for part time, line item 23-01-17 in the amount of $500 for the 2011 budget. Jeremy Overton made a motion to approve the request. Tony Wolfe seconded. Motion passed 5-2 with George Ankenbrand and Bill McConnell voting against.
Auditor: Auditor asked if the Council was going to have to borrow money this year to make mid-year budget demands. Now is the time to decide so bids can be submitted. Jeremy Overton recommended that the Council borrow from within from Rainy Day Fund and Riverboat Fund and not advertise. Tony Wolfe seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

County Council 2011 Appointments:

Council Appointments 2011

Community Corrections	Jeremy Overton
E 911 Advisory Board	William George
Four Rivers RC & D	Bill McConnell
Gibson County Solid Waste Management	Craig Pflug
Gibson County Hospital Board of Trustees	George Ankenbrand
Safety Committee	Jeremy Overton
Sheriffs Pension Board	Jeremy Overton
	William George
Step-A-Head-Council	William George
Evansville Urban Transportation System	Bill McConnell
Wrap-A-Round Council	LeAnn Smith
I-69 Advisory Committee	Craig Pflug
Alcoholic Beverage Commission Board	Ray Falls
Chamber of Commerce ex-officio	Tony Wolfe
County Council Finance (Executive) Committee	Jeremy Overton
	Craig Pflug
	George Ankenbrand
Regional Economic Development Commission	Tony Wolfe
	Phil Young
Gibson County Redevelopment Commission	Robert Montgomery
	Phil Young

Library Board Appointments:

Oakland City Library Board	
Term expires: 12-31-2013	Valerie McCoy
Owensville Library Board	
Term expires: 12-31-2012	Angela Williams
Term Expires: 12-31-2014	Keith Armstrong
Ft. Branch Library Board	
Term expires: 03-10-2011	Jim Bryant
Term expires: 02-10-2013	Chris Wallace
Princeton Library	
Term expires: 12-31-2012	Edward Prior

Jeremy Overton moved to approve the 2011 appointments. Bill McConnell seconded and passed 7-0.

Meeting Schedule: After some discussion it was decided not to have evening meetings. Meetings will be scheduled on the second Tuesday of each month at 9 AM. Beginning 8 February, 8 March, 12 April, 10 May, 14 June, 12 July, 9 August, 13 September, 11 October, 15 November and 20 December, 2011.

Tony Wolfe talked about state bills that could impact our local government.

Jeremy Overton moved to adjourn and Bill McConnell seconded and motion passed 7-0.

George Ankenbrand, President

Jeremy Overton, Vice

William McConnell	Tony Wolfe
D. Craig Pflug	William W. George
LeAnn Smith	Attest: C.T. Montgomery, Auditor