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Gibson County Council  
Regular Session  
April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
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The Gibson County Council met in regular session on April 8, 2014, at 9:00 AM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

**Members Present:** President Jeremy Overton, Vice-President Craig Pflug, Councilwoman LeAnn Smith, Councilmen Bill McConnell, Tony Wolfe, George Ankenbrand and Derek McGraw and Sherri Smith, Gibson County Auditor

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited and led by President Overton.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from March 11th, 2014 meeting were read and approved as written with a motion by Councilman McConnell and seconded by Councilwoman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

**Department Reports:**

EMS Director Dan Alvey presented the monthly report and a three month comparison report on runs made by the Department. He also gave an update on the status of the ambulance situation from recent accidents. Director Alvey asked the Council for permission to hire up to a total of 24 part time EMT's, and consensus was given by the Council. The Salary Ordinance will be amended to say 24 part time EMT's. It will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Sheriff George Ballard reminded everyone of the memorial service for former Patrol Officer John Officer of the Chicago Police Department on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014. He was a former Gibson County resident. He also presented the monthly reports and commented on the work being done at the Work Release Center.

Diane Hornby representing the Health Department presented the National County Rankings of the health conditions of the counties' population. Gibson County improved over last year.

Safety Director Andy Schafer thanked the Princeton Police Department Officers Derek McGraw and Mike Hurt for conducting the Active Shooter Presentation for the County Employees. He also had attended a safety meeting and wanted to remind the public that workers are out fixing roads and to please be aware and take precaution when approaching these workers.

Veterans Service Officer Jerry Wright presented the monthly report. The Department may get reimbursed for an electronic signature pad. The state will reimburse \$500 of the cost of recent training in Indianapolis. He discussed moving money a 2<sup>nd</sup> time, instead of computer use on publications.

### Old Business:

- Surveyor Suit – Advances to Indiana Supreme Court - Councilman Wolfe stated that he was notified by the attorneys that the surveyor has decided to go ahead to the next step and appeal to the Indiana Supreme Court. It will be a period of time before we know if it will be heard. After deciding, it could be two months to a year for this to be heard. The cost for the County will be between \$2,500 and \$5,000 for this appeal. The cost of the case for the county up to now is \$52,099. A response needs to be given by April 14<sup>th</sup>. The Council's consensus is to continue with whatever needs to be done. The County will not counter sue at this time.
- Amended Vuteq Loan Agreement - County Attorney Jim McDonald and Bruce Fischer with the Redevelopment Commission commented on Amendment No. 1 Loan Agreement for Vuteq. Councilman Wolfe made a motion to accept the Amendment to the Redevelopment Commission Agreement with Vuteq, seconded by Councilman Pflug. Motion carried 7-0.
- Ordinance # 2014-2 – Parks and Recreation Board - Councilman Wolfe asked that the Ordinance to Establish a Department of Parks and Recreation be tabled to a later date.
- IV-D Child Support Reimbursement Process – Jacque Clements with Maximus spoke to the Council about the advantages of using Maximus to recoup IV-D money.

### New Business:

- Judge Meade – Requests an Additional appropriation for 1213-02-01-01 entitled CASA Operating Expenses for \$4,000 – operating expenses for the remainder of the year.
- Councilman Wolfe made a motion to approve an additional appropriation for CASA, fund 1213, account 02-01-01 for \$4,000, seconded by Councilwoman Smith. Motion carried 7-0.
- The Council wants to find the best way to set up a fund or account to pay for the upcoming murder trials costs. Further discussion is needed.
- Councilman McConnell commented on the amount of unobligated money that the County has on hand.
- Auditor's Office requesting to borrow money if necessary – Council to "Designate" Fund to cover County General Expenses if need be prior to May Settlement. **County Council** agreed to a loan from Rainy Day or Cum Bridge for County General if needed before June Settlement.

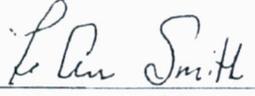
- Highway Dept. same budget, same series transfer – Councilman Wolfe made a motion to approve two transfers from the Highway Department; \$1,420.00 from 1176-04-01-26 Severance to 1176-04-01-22 PERF and \$765.00 from 1176-04-01-26 Severance to 1176-04-01-21 Social Security, seconded by Councilman Pflug. Motion carried 7-0.

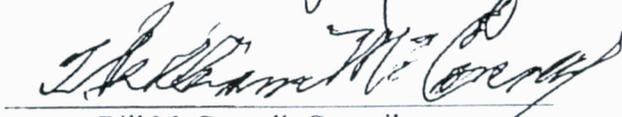
Councilman McGraw made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Jeremy Overton, President

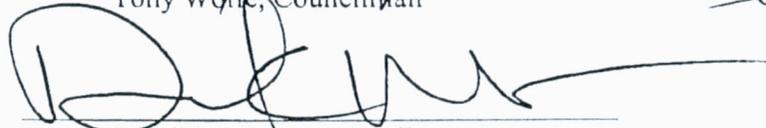
  
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Attest:   
Sherri Smith, Gibson County Auditor