
Gibson County Council
Regular Session
April 9, 2013

The Gibson County Council met in regular session on April 9, 2013, at 9:00 AM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members Present: President Jeremy Overton, Vice-President Craig Pflug, Tony Wolfe, George Ankenbrand, Derek McGraw and Sherri Smith, Gibson County Auditor.

Absent: LeAnn Smith and Bill McConnell.

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

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from March 12, 2013 Regular Meeting and Joint Executive Meeting were read and approved. Craig Pflug made motion to approve, seconded by Tony Wolfe. Motion carried 5-0.

Department Reports:

- EMS – Dan Alvey presented Department Reports to the Council.
- Health Dept. – Jennifer Tuley presented Year End Reports to the Council.
- Sheriff Ballard presented report to the Council regarding “Road Crew” Trash Pickup. Judges agreed to a “Road Crew” work release program, which will create two crews. Road Crew receives no salary or time off sentence. The program does recycle items picked up.

Old Business:

Amend September 2012, Salary Ordinance with regard to changes made in February and March, 2013. Jail Nurse Line reduced to \$0 (privatized nurse program); Probation Officer Supplement for Circuit Court increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500. Craig Pflug made motion to approve changes, seconded by Tony Wolfe. Motion carried 5-0.

Dan Alvey – Following discussion and demonstration the Council is prepared to make a decision on purchase of five Zoll Heart monitors and three CPR Machines for a total of \$143,692 – A Lease program was not reviewed when this equipment was quoted. \$112692 of the purchase to be funded out of Rainy Day and Encumbered money totaled \$31,000. Craig Pflug made motion to purchase equipment, Tony Wolfe seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business:

Health Department – Jennifer Tuley requested an appropriation to pay the remaining balance owed to Vanguard for the installation of a security camera system. The additional camera installation was recommended by the State. Local Health Maintenance Funds totaling \$335.00 to be transferred to fund 1168-04-04-40 Furniture/Equipment. Craig Pflug made motion to approve the appropriation, Derek McGraw seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff Ballard made a request of the Council to replace Officer Beadle who is resigning this summer. The Replacement Deputy will be hired at 90% of Salary and they are currently reviewing existing applications. Council gave consent to hire and if he hires within the department, he can replace that position as well.

Theisen Bowers and Assoc. – Invoice for Surveyor Lawsuit – Tony Wolfe made a motion to pay this invoice for \$180.00 and it is to be paid out of the Rainy Day Fund, seconded by George Ankenbrand. Motion carried 5-0.

EMA - Terry Hedges presented a Salary Agreement for EMA through the State Homeland Security Grant Process. This salary is based on a budget of \$50,000 for the salary of a full-time director and part time help. This 2012-2013 NPG Grant was started last year in order for the County to qualify for 50% and certain guidelines are required. A budget proposal has been submitted, approved by the Commissioners and then forwarded to the State. This grant has to be advertised, once approved, a fully executed agreement will be returned. The grant is for \$21,000 of the \$50,000 budget, this is the portion that the State will pay the County.

Terry Hedges then explained documentation regarding damage from the July, 2012 storm in Gibson County that happened in Oakland City. The participants in this storm reported damage to Homeland Security through Terry Hedges. The participants included claims from County Highway, EMA, Sheriff, EMS and the City of Oakland City. Total amount reported was \$377,468.20 reported by all entities regarding the storm. OC reported \$126,000 but has damage exceeding \$200,000.

There was not enough damage for the County to qualify for Federal Assistance for Grants and money to replace 75%, the County had to meet certain criteria and we did not qualify, the State did not qualify.

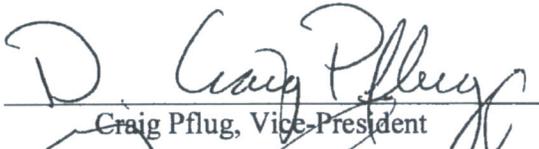
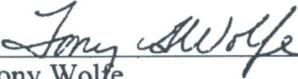
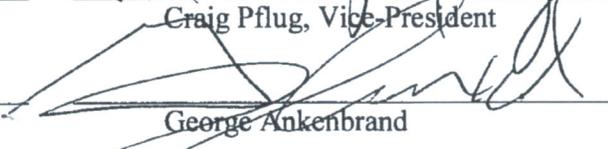
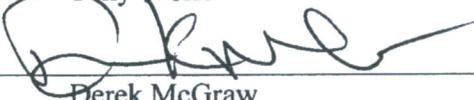
The only money available at this time is from Disaster Relief. Terry Hedges has submitted an application in the amount of \$377,000 but that amount won't necessarily be granted. The County ended up qualifying for \$93,000. But then there is a formula applied – 50% subtract the population. We will receive \$30,000, it is far less than we expected but more than we had. Oakland City is still awaiting a decision on their claim. Money came from a State Fire Marshal Grant – Fireworks bans considerably reduced income and fund from last year.

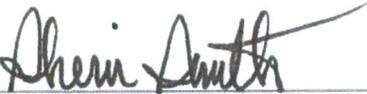
Reassessment Fund 1187 for 2013 - Marilyn Mason, 1st deputy addressed the Council and stated that during the 2013 budget session last year, the Council did the budget out of 1187, but it doesn't have a tax rate anymore so it not getting money and the Council knew at some point it was not going to have enough money. According to Robert Norris, the Council will have to come up with the money from County General, Edit, Rainy Day or Riverboat to fund the balance by the County. Budget was \$64,814.16 for 2013 with a current balance of \$34,635.91. An additional Appropriation in the amount of \$30,178.25 will come from General Fund and will be advertised prior to the next meeting.

Jim McDonald representing the Commissioners addressed the Council in regard to the County purchasing 203 S Prince Street to house the County Health Department and the Purdue Extension Office, which the County is currently leasing. The lease runs out in August, 2013 and they would like to execute their option to purchase this building with a 90 day execution or May 1st, 2013. The cost to purchase the property is \$120,000, but the Commissioners are requesting from the Building Fund, \$140,000 for title insurance, inspection, survey, closing costs and purchase. The monies left over after all expenses are paid will be returned to the Council. Hennessey Survey will set the corner markers. President Overton said there was a consensus to have this request advertised and it will be sent to the State for approval. This item will be added to the May Meeting Agenda for further update.

Council member Tony Wolfe addressed the Council and the Public with regard to future Meetings and a special "called session" for Council members. He will also address Spencer County regarding our Wheel Tax.

With no further business, George Ankenbrand made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tony Wolfe. Motion carried 5-0.

 _____ Jeremy Overton, President	 _____ Craig Pflug, Vice-President
 _____ Tony Wolfe	 _____ George Ankenbrand
 _____ Derek McGraw	

Attest: 

Sherri Smith, Auditor