
Gibson County Council
Regular Session
January 19, 2010

The Gibson County Council met in regular session on January 19, 2010, at 9 AM in the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members present:

Tony Wolfe, Pres. Jeremy Overton, VP
William McConnell George Ankenbrand
D. Craig Pflug Cecil R. Allen

Members absent:

William George

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

Minutes: The minutes of the December 8, 2009 and special meeting of January 7, 2010 meetings were approved as read.

Reorganization: Wolfe opened the floor for nominations for President of the Council. Wolfe nominated Jeremy Overton as President which was seconded by Ankenbrand and passed with a vote of 5-0-1 with Allen abstaining. Wolfe opened the floor for nominations for Vice President. McConnell nominated George Ankenbrand which was seconded by Pflug and passed 6-0.

Department Reports: EMS: Dan Alvey gave the monthly and 2009 end of year report.

Appointments: The appointment list approved as listed from 2009 with addition of corrected Oakland City, Owensville and Fort Branch-Johnson Twsp. Library boards which were approved in 2009 with the exception of the Council Finance Committee with a motion by Wolfe seconded by Ankenbrand and passed 6-0.

This is 2010 List of Appointments

Community Corrections	Cecil Allen
E-911 Advisory Board	William George
Emergency Management Council	Bill McConnell
Four Rivers R C & D	Tony Wolfe
Gibson County Solid Waste Management Board	Craig Pflug
Gibson General Hospital Board of Trustees	George Ankenbrand
Safety Committee	Cecil Allen
Sheriffs Pension Board	Jeremy Overton
Step-A-Head Council	William George
Regional Econ. Dev. Corp. of SW Indiana	Tony Wolfe
Regional Econ. Dev. Corp. of SW Indiana	Phil Young
Transportation Board	Bill McConnell
Wrap-A-Round Council	Jeremy Overton
Downtown Princeton Umbrella Committee	George Ankenbrand
I-69 Advisory Committee	Craig Pflug
Alcoholic Beverage Commission Board	Ray Falls
Gibson Chamber of Commerce ex-officio	Tony Wolfe
Gibson County Redevelopment Commission	Robert Montgomery
Gibson County Redevelopment Commission	Phil Young
Oakland City Library Board	Valerie McCoy
Owensville Library Board	Keith Armstrong
Princeton Library Board	(to be named)
Fort Branch-Johnson Twsp. Library Board	Jim Bryant
County Council Finance (Executive) Committee	(to be named)

Additional Appropriations: Health Dept: Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Grant, \$31,255; Tobacco Master Settlement Grant, \$20,977; Bio-terrorism/Preparedness Grant, \$14,500; Pandemic Fund Grant, \$43,000 totaling \$109,732 was approved with a motion by Ankenbrand seconded by McConnell and passed 6-0. Kanda Walden requested a loan for cash flow purposes of \$20,000 for the Pandemic Fund Grant because this grant is a reimbursement grant. The loan was approved from the Rainy Day Fund with a payback date of June 30, 2010, by a motion by Wolfe seconded by Pflug and passed 6-0.

Highway: INDOT paid for road repair to Wheatonville Road which was damaged during I69 construction in the amount of \$138,204.60. Having advertised to be appropriated to the Highway Bituminous line the Council approved this with a motion by Pflug seconded by Allen and passed 6-0.

Request for funding: Mary Key, Auditor, requested funding for a data processing program which will allow excise tax collection be recorder, identified to proper township and distributed on a more timely basis. This was approved with a motion by Allen seconded by Wolfe and passed 6-0.

Encumbrance for Jail Controls: The remaining appropriation of 2009 for the new jail controls were encumbered for 2010 with a motion by Allen seconded by Wolfe and passed 6-0.

Attorney fees for Litigation: Funds in the amount of \$10,000 were appropriated from the Rainy Day Fund to pay attorney fees concerning a law suit against the County with a motion by Allen seconded by Wolfe and passed 6-0.

Coroner's request for vehicle: Barrett Doyle, County Coroner, requested the purchase of a vehicle which would enable him to transport necessary equipment and bodies, when required. After much discussion and a request to the Commissioners to set a policy on use of the vehicle, a motion to appropriated \$10,000 from Rainy Day Fund for the vehicle and indentifying signage on the sides was made by Wolfe seconded by Allen and passed 5-1 with Pflug casting the nay vote.

Prosecutor's incentive funding: A request to continue to allow funding for incentive pay to one Deputy Prosecutor out of the Prosecutor's 4-D Incentive Funds was approved with a motion by Ankenbrand seconded by McConnell and passed 6-0.

Old Business: Surveyor requested the appropriation of \$10,000 out of the Section Corner Perpetuation Fund for allowable expenses for the year 2010. This was approved with a motion by Allen seconded by Wolfe and passed 6-0.

New Business: EMS director, Dan Alvey, asked if it would be possible to have a figure for the starting wages for a Paramedic. If it is figured as stated in the Salary Ordinance then a starting Paramedic will be making less than an EMT. He stated he would not be able to find a Paramedic to work for that wage. Also, the Ordinance allows for 12 Paramedics and 12 EMTs so he couldn't replace a Paramedic with an EMT if 12 already work for the County. After discussion, Overton stated that he and Wolfe would work with Dan on this problem.

Assessor, Juanita Beadle asked if the Council would consider making her part time employee in Reassessment a full time employee. She stated she does have the funds within the Reassessment budget to do so including the benefits. A motion to table this until further study could be done was made by Allen seconded by Wolfe and passed 6-0.

Sheriff Harmon stated that he would probably be coming to ask for additional appropriations this year for overtime due to the murder trial needing extra deputies at the Courthouse. Also, because of possibly not being able to replace some of the patrol cars, there may be a need for more appropriations in repairs. There was discussion about these matters.

2010 Meeting Schedule:

February 9	9 AM	March 9	6:30 PM	April 13	9 AM
May 11	9 AM	June 8	6:30 PM	July 13	9 AM
August 10	9 AM	September 14	6:30 PM	October 12	9 AM
November 9	9 AM	December 14	6:30 PM		

Wolfe gave a report on legislation before both houses in Indianapolis.

A motion to adjourn was made by Allen seconded by Ankenbrand and passed 6-0.

Jeremy Overton, Pres.

George Ankenbrand, VP

William George

William McConnell

Tony Wolfe

D. Craig Pflug

Cecil R. Allen

Attested: _____
Mary B. Key, Auditor