

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
May 20, 2020**

**Note: This Grant County Council meeting was conducted electronically as permitted under Governor Holcomb's Executive order 20-09.**

The Grant County Council met in regular session on Wednesday May 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**1. Call to order**

President Middlesworth called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**2. Prayer**

Mark Atkinson, Pastor at Eastview Wesleyan Church, led the prayer.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilman Hix led the pledge of allegiance.

**4. Roll Call**

In attendance physically were Council members Shane Middlesworth, Mike Roorbach, Mike Scott and Fran Hix. In attendance via electronic source were Mark Leming, Mike Conner and Jonathan Perez. Also physically present were Council Attorney Phil Stephenson, Auditor Jim McWhirt, Chief Deputy Auditor Angie Jarvis and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens.

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Councilman Perez moved to approve minutes from the regular session for April 15, 2020. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 7-0.

**6. Auditor's Report**-Auditor Jim McWhirt expressed the General fund balance is healthy compared to previous years. Projected receipts to actual receipts are income tax is going to be up because of the increase from the state. Our receipts are up and down from other projections at this point. MVH and Local Road and Street we are in good shape at this time compared to what we expected. We are going to see the impact this year due to the gas tax. Disbursements at this time is about what we expected. The cash flow analysis, the circuit breaker losses, the DLGF is showing a revised amount, it's not as bad as we expected. Health Insurance fund is in good shape at this time. The Treasurer's report shows we are reconciled. Just a note of future additional appropriations will be from Central Dispatch, the fund we sat up last month.

**New Business:**

**A. County Coroner**-Coroner Stephen Dorsey is asking to transfer \$1000.00 from Travel and Conference to Medical & Photo Supply to cover outstanding invoices and additional medical supplies due to the Covid 19 pandemic. Councilman Scott made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Roorbach; motion carried 7-0.

**B. County Prosecutor**-Prosecutor Rodney Faulk is asking to create a new position in the Prosecutors office and a salary ordinance amendment. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the request. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 7-0.

**C. County Commissioners**-.Commissioner Mark Bardsley introduced the Joint Resolution #2-2020 Vacancy Replacement Policy. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve Joint Resolution #2-2020. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Bardsley also gave an update on the Detention Center renovation/infrastructure. Commissioner Bardsley expressed there are boiler system and electrical issues that need to be addressed and the cost could be 800,000 to one million.

**D. Central Dispatch Operations**-Public Safety Communications Director Michael Clayton is asking for the approval of salaries and wages and to amend the salary ordinance for the 911 dispatchers and assistant director. From fund 4922 there will be 15, 911 dispatch positions at \$34,424.00 salary and 3, 911 supervisor positions at \$36,504.00 salary. From fund 1222 the assistant director salary will be \$39,520.00. Councilman Scott made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Hix; motion carried 7-0.

**E. Proposed Senior Housing Project**-. Zeke Turner is requesting a consideration for County financial support for a senior housing project. Mr. Turner presented a handout to each Council member explaining the project. After much discussion Councilman Roorbach moved to approve to establish an Economic Development Commission ordinance #4-2020 for the project. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-1.

Councilman Roorbach made a motion for Council President Shane Middlesworth to approve the appointment for the EDC. Second by Councilman Hix; motion carried 7-0.

## **8. Old Business**

President Middlesworth expressed the dates for the budget calendar is as follows;

- 7-15-2020 Review LIT
- 8-12-2020 Regular Council meeting
- 8-19, 8-20, 8-26, and 8-27-2020 Budget hearings
- 10-21-2020 Budget adoption

## **9. Reports, Resolutions, Communications and General Discussion**

None.

## **10. Adjournment**

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.