

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
February 17, 2021**

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 February 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

1. Call to order

President Middlesworth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Prayer

Chris Cunningham led prayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Poling led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call

In attendance physically were Council members Shane Middlesworth, Mike Scott, Mike Conner, Chuck Poling, and Frank Hix. In attendance via electronic source was Council member Mike Roorbach and Mark Leming. Also physically present were Council Attorney Phil Stephenson, Auditor Jim McWhirt, Chief Deputy Auditor Angela Jarvis, and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens.

5. Approval of Minutes

Councilman Roorbach moved to approve the minutes from the regular session on December 16, 2020 as presented. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0 (Councilman Conner abstained).

6. Auditor's Report-Auditor Jim McWhirt expressed things are in pretty good shape, unless Council has any questions that is all there is to report. There were no questions.

New Business

A. State of the Judiciary- See attached.

B. Correctional Services-Melissa Stephenson is asking for approval of the Drug Court Enhancement Grant. Councilman Conner moved to approve the Drug Court Enhancement Grant. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 6-0.

C. County Health Department-Tara Street is asking to transfer \$23,547 in Local Health Maintenance (grant) line item 11904 (Nurse Health Educator) to line item 11200

(Part-time). This is to pay EMT's to assist in the COVID vaccine clinics. Councilman Conner moved to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Hix; motion carried 6-0.

Tara is also asking to amend the salary ordinance for the above transfer. Councilman Conner moved to amend to salary ordinance for the transfer. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 6-0.

D. County Highway Department-David White is asking to transfer \$1,000.00 from Single Hands to Bookkeeper and to amend the salary ordinance. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Poling; motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent White is also asking for the following additional appropriations: \$600,000.00 in Equipment (1176). Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Hix; motion carried 6-0.

\$350,000.00 in Bituminous (1173) for paving, chip sealing etc...Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 6-0.

\$300,000.00 in 1135 (Bridge #254)
\$100,000.00 in 1135 (Contractual Services)
\$50,000.00 Bridge #39

Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 6-0.

E. Area Plan Commission-Brenda Harrison is asking for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$70,000.00. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Hix; motion carried 6-0.

F. County Commissioners-Commissioner Ron Mowery is asking Council to establish a committee to review Compensatory Time Policy. President Middlesworth asked Councilman Chuck Poling and Frank Hix to be on this committee. Both Councilman Poling and Hix agreed to be on this committee.

G. County Auditor-Auditor Jim McWhirt is asking for additional appropriations in the amounts of \$2,110,350.00 (General Fund) and \$210,400.00 (County 911 Fund). Councilman Scott moved to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Poling; motion carried 6-0.

8. Old Business

None.

9. Reports, Resolutions, Communications and General Discussion
Committee Reports

Shane Middlesworth gave a short update on ECI.

The next regular session Council meeting will be March 17, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

10. Adjournment

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.