

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
June 16, 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 June 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

1. Call to order

President Middlesworth called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Prayer

Matthew Trexler led in prayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Leming led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call

Members present: 7, Electronically: 0 In attendance were Council members Shane Middlesworth, Mike Conner, Chuck Poling, Mike Roorbach, Mark Leming, Mike Scott and Frank Hix. Also physically present were Council Attorney Phil Stephenson, Chief Deputy Auditor Angela Jarvis, and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens. Auditor Jim McWhirt was absent.

NOTE: All members were present in person.

5. Approval of Minutes

Councilman Conner moved to approve the minutes from the regular session on May 19, 2021 as presented. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 7-0.

6. Auditor's Report-Auditor Jim McWhirt was not present but sent each Council member a copy of his report. There were no questions from the Council members.

New Business

A. Barton Rees Pogue Memorial Library-Requesting to appoint Dan Bowell to a term starting 7-19-2021 thru 7-19-2025. Councilman Roorbach moved to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 7-0.

B. Van Buren Public Library-Requesting to request candidates for a board appointment.

C. Public Defenders-Bruce Elliott is requesting a transfer of \$5,000.00 from Depositions/Transcription fund to Hourly Secretary/Investigator fund. Councilman

Conner moved to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Roorbach; motion carried 7-0.

D. County Clerk-Pam Harris was not present. Clerk Harris is asking to transfer \$25.00 from Overtime/Part-time to Dues/Subscriptions. Councilman Conner moved to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 7-0.

E. County Sheriff Department-Reggie Nevels is requesting a transfer of \$300,000.00 from Detention Home Salaries to Contractual Services. Councilman Conner moved to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 7-0.

F. County Area Plan Department-Ryan Malott is asking for a full time executive secretary position for the Area Plan Department. After much discussion Councilman Conner made a motion to approve to advertise the appropriation of \$14,000 that will be needed for the rest of the year, and for Director Malott to come back next month to see if Council approves this request. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 7-0.

G. Correctional Services-Melissa Stephenson is asking Council to approve a grant award for Correctional Services. Councilman Roorbach moved to approve the grant award as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 7-0.

H. Upland Economic Development-Requesting to appoint Tom Myers. Councilman Conner moved to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 7-0.

8. Old Business

None.

9. Reports, Resolutions, Communications and General Discussion **Committee Reports-** None

The next regular session Council meeting will be July 21, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

10. Adjournment

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.