

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
November 15, 2017**

The Grant County Council met in regular session on Wednesday November 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

1. Call to order

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

2. Prayer

Councilman Roorbach led prayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Leming led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call

In attendance were Council members Jim McWhirt, Frank Hix, Mark Leming, Mike Roorbach, Mike Conner, and Shane Middlesworth. Also present were Council Attorney Phil Stephenson, Auditor Roger Bainbridge, Chief Deputy Auditor Angie Jarvis, Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens and Financials Deputy Patti Pyle. Councilman Mike Scott was absent.

5. Approval of Minutes

Councilman Conner moved to approve the minutes from the special session October 4, 2017 and the regular session October 18, 2017 as presented. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

6. Auditor's Report

Auditor Bainbridge read from the insurance report the ending balance is 80,000 more than last year and is on its way up, which is good news. It is still high, but with positive improvements.

Auditor Bainbridge also read from the general fund balance report; we are ahead of last year by a half a million. I expect our ending balance to be about 1.4 million at the end of the year. This is less than last year, but more comparable to 2014 and 2015.

New Business

A. Gas City Development Commission-Gas City Mayor Leech is recommending David Huffman to the Gas City Development Commission for a 1 (one) year term (1-1-18 to 12-31-18). Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mayor Leech. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

B. Marion Public Library-The Marion Public Library is recommending Ed Breen to a 4 (four) year term (1-1-18 to 12-31-2021) to the library. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Marion Public Library. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

C. County Prosecutor-Mike Cline is presenting for Jim Luttrull. Prosecutor Luttrull is asking for a transfer of 3,659 from the IV-D fund to the Victims fund. Prosecutor Luttrull is also asking to amend the salary ordinance to reflect this change. Councilman Leming moved to approve the transfer and salary amendment as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

D. County Extension Office-Interim Extension Director Kris Goff is asking for a transfer from Equipment Repair to Equipment in the amount of 325. Councilman Middlesworth moved to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

E. Emergency Medical Services-EMS Director Duaine Ashcraft is requesting the following transfers: 1000.00 from EMT full time to EMT salaries, 2500.00 from Communications to EMT salaries, 13500.00 from ALS reimbursement to garage & motors, 3000.00 from equipment to garage & motors and 1000.00 from education to dues & subscriptions. Councilman Leming

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

F. County Sheriff-Todd Fleece is presenting for Sheriff Reggie Nevels. Sheriff Nevels is asking to transfer 75,000 from sheriff salaries to sheriff overtime. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Roorbach; motion carried 6-0.

Sheriff Nevels is also requesting approval to fill a vacant merit deputy position. Sheriff Nevels would like the position to be filled as soon as possible. There was no motion on this request.

G. County Commissioners-Commissioner Mike Burton is requesting the following transfers: 646 from 1000-012-1000.11 to 1000-012-1000.12 to cover part time hours, and 2,500 from 1000-012-1000.11 to 1000-012-1000.13 to pay the Administrative Assistant for accumulated comp time. Councilman Leming made a motion to approve the transfer of the 2,500. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0. There was no motion on the transfer of the 646.

Commissioner Burton is also asking for an additional appropriation to the E-911 fund. The additional is needed for the following expenditures: Motorola lease payment, ers/oci wireless for radio equipment, software for the Sheriff Department, and software for the Marion Police Department. The total amount of the appropriation is 124,709. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the appropriation as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

H. County Auditor-Auditor Roger Bainbridge is requesting a transfer of appropriations to Auditor line items. A transfer of \$652.50 from part time to dues, a transfer of \$1,679.67 from part time to overtime and a request blanket authorization for my Chief Deputy to make minor amount transfers wherever small negative balances makes it necessary, a transfer of \$547.98 from contractual services to dues, \$17.00 from contractual services to travel and conference, \$2840.22 from part time/overtime to salary. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfers of appropriation as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

Auditor Bainbridge is also requesting an additional appropriation to Auditors Ineligible Deductions line item. The annual maintenance for our Low Property Tax Software has increased. I am requesting a total of \$1,929.00 be appropriated to Auditors Ineligible Deductions Annual Maintenance Low. Councilman Leming made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Middlesworth; motion carried 6-0.

I. County Sheriff Department Contract Extension-Council attorney Phil Stephenson expressed he does not have a copy of the contract. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the extension of the current contract for one year, with approval from other parties. Second by Councilman Middlesworth; motion carried 5-1.

J. 2018 Salary Ordinance-The Salary Ordinance will take effect January 1, 2018. This will be ordinance #2017-4. Councilman Conner made a motion to pass the salary ordinance as presented. Second by Councilman Middlesworth; motion carried 6-0.

8. Old Business

A. County Auditor-Auditor Roger Bainbridge is requesting and additional appropriation for Superior Court II. The request is in the amount of 1,300. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve the appropriation as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 5-1.

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

Attorney Phil Stephenson reported the bond sale is still on time.

Councilman Roorbach expressed Mike Burton and he attended a meeting with some consultants, Waggoner, Irwin, Scheele & Associates out of Muncie. They will be doing a study for salaries, job description, etc. They will be able to start this study in December.

10. Adjournment

President McWhirt adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.