

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
August 14, 2019**

The Grant County Council met in regular session on Wednesday August 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**1. Call to order**

President Middlesworth called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**2. Prayer**

Councilman Roorbach led prayer.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilman Scott led the pledge of allegiance.

**4. Roll Call**

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

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Councilman Scott moved to approve the minutes from the regular session for July 17, 2019. Second by Councilman Roorbach; motion carried 6-0.

**6. Auditor's Report**

Auditor Jim McWhirt expressed he has no comment on the all funds combined report. The summary report that shows the year to date and month of July official budgeted funds, no comment as well. The general fund balances comparison over the last few years up to date through July of 2019, the general fund cash balance is roughly 2 million higher than 2 years ago. Cash receipts for the general fund, we are roughly 900,000 ahead. Disbursements exceed 2018 by about 460,000. The cash receipts comparison, nothing new to report. The cash disbursement report comparing the budget to actual, notice the jail maintenance department has spent more than the budget in the year, we will have to do an additional appropriation at some point. The health insurance fund, the cash balance of the fund at the end of July 2019 is 813,000 higher than July of 2018. .

**New Business**

**A. Review of Estimated Property Tax Levy Limits and Circuit Breaker Losses-**

President Middlesworth expressed he would read through the Calculation of Estimated Maximum Levy for budget year 2020 as follows:

Grant County	Civil: \$16,433,277
Center Township	Fire: \$114,570 Civil: \$246,771
Fairmount Township	Fire: \$43,401 Civil: \$24,563
Franklin Township	Fire: \$22,412 Civil: \$114,083
Green Township	Fire: \$38,442 Civil: \$6,750
Jefferson Township	Fire: \$49,729 Civil: \$35,703
Liberty Township	Fire: \$25,546 Civil: \$1,171

Mill Township	Fire: \$58,284 Civil: \$178,387
Monroe Township	Fire: \$14,403 Civil: \$15,663
Pleasant Township	Fire: \$25,063 Civil: \$42,869
Richland Township	Fire: \$13,827 Civil: \$21,204
Sims Township	Fire: \$8,773 Civil: \$48,550
Van Buren Township	Fire: \$20,288 Civil: \$27,747
Washington Township	Fire: \$69,896 Civil: \$41,535
Marion Civil City	Civil: \$19,270,860
Gas City Civil City	Civil: \$1,404,207
Fairmount Civil Town	Civil: \$810,299
Fowlerton Civil Town	Civil: \$33,965
Jonesboro Civil City	Civil: \$375,648
Matthews Civil Town	Civil: \$131,713
Swayzee Civil Town	Civil: \$184,671
Sweetser Civil Town	Civil: \$146,574
Upland Civil Town	Civil: \$469,417
Van Buren Civil Town	Civil: \$319,231
Converse Civil Town	Civil: \$69,899
Eastbrook Comm. Schools	SO: 2,107,337
Madison Grant Schools	SO: 2,733,803
Mississinewa Comm. Schools	SO: 2,032,558
Marion Comm. Schools	SO: 7,386,470
Oak Hill United Schools	SO: 2,105,893
Fairmount Public Library	Civil: \$79,734
Gas City/Mill Township Public Library	Civil: \$480,465
Jonesboro Public Library	Civil: \$54,694
Marion Public Library	Civil: \$1,665,285
Matthews Public Library	Civil: \$8,343

Swayzee Public Library	Civil: \$65,349
Barton-Rees-Pogue Memorial Library	Civil: \$49,502
Van Buren Public Library	Civil: \$109,361
Converse Public Library	Civil: \$5,210
East Central Indiana Solid Waste	Civil: \$195,284

Auditor Jim McWhirt read the second part of the review, the 2020 estimates of property tax caps by unit. The 2020 Estimated Property Tax Circuit Breaker Impacts are as follows:

Grant County	\$ 2,013,589
Center Township	\$ 48,670
Fairmount Township	\$ 892
Franklin Township	\$ 31,177
Green Township	\$ 0
Jefferson Township	\$ 253
Liberty Township	\$ 0
Mill Township	\$ 28,181
Monroe Township	\$ 560
Pleasant Township	\$ 7,048
Richland Township	\$ 0
Sims Township	\$ 5,058
Van Buren Township	\$ 0
Washington Township	\$ 2,625
Marion Civil City	\$ 4,915,069
Gas City Civil City	\$ 151,079
Fairmount Civil Town	\$ 59,729
Fowlerton Civil Town	\$ 0
Jonesboro Civil City	\$ 59,363
Matthews Civil Town	\$ 629
Swayzee Civil Town	\$ 7,718
Sweetser Civil town	\$ 9,438
Upland Civil Town	\$ 6,622
Van Buren Civil Town	\$ 462
Converse Civil Town	\$ 12,496

Eastbrook Community School Corp.	\$ 29,542
Madison-Grant United School Corp.	\$ 38,526
Mississinewa Community School Corp.	\$ 379,266
Marion Community School Corp.	\$ 2,105,599
Oak Hill United School Corp.	\$ 361,437
Fairmount Public Library	\$ 2,904
Gas City-Mill Township Public Library	\$ 49,467
Jonesboro Public Library	\$ 8,643
Marion Public Library	\$ 404,579
Matthews Public Library	\$ 0
Swayzee Public Library	\$ 5,541
Barton-Rees-Pogue Memorial Library	\$ 698
Van Buren Public Library	\$ 0
Converse Public Library	\$ 931
East Central Indiana Solid Waste	\$ 23,956

**B. Circuit Court-** Judge Mark Spitzer is asking to transfer \$500 from Contractual Services to Travel and Conference. Judge Spitzer is not present, Councilman Conner made a motion to suspend the rule and vote on the transfer without Judge Spitzer present. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 6-0. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 6-0.

**C. County Commissioners-** Commissioner Mike Burton is asking for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$27,069 from the Preventative Maintenance fund for a new walk-in cooler for the D-Home. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

Commissioner Burton is also asking for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$27,157 from the FTR Maintenance account for software and 6 new computers for the courthouse. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

Commissioner Burton is asking for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$9,667 from Preventative Maintenance for a dual temp cabinet. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

**D. County Clerk-** Clerk Pam Harris is asking to transfer \$1250 from Supplies to Equipment and \$515.75 from Office Supplies to General Equipment fund. Clerk Harris was not present, Brenda Russell presented the items. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve both items as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

## **8. Old Business**

None.

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

**Committee Reports**-Councilman Mike Roorbach expressed that at the Community Corrections advisory board meeting today they were informed that Cindy McCoy was recognized for 37 years of outstanding Probation and Community Corrections work, by being given the award of Augustus.

President Middlesworth stated the budget hearings are scheduled for August 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>rd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>.

**10. Adjournment**

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.