

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
November 20, 2019**

The Grant County Council met in regular session on Wednesday November 20, 2019 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**

Robert Jackson let the prayer.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilman Hix led the pledge of allegiance.

**4. Roll Call**

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

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Councilman Perez moved to approve minutes from the Executive Session on October 2, 2019 and the Special Session on October 2, 2019. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-1 (abstention).

Councilman Perez moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Session on October 16, 2019. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**6. Auditor's Report**-Auditor Jim McWhirt reported from several different financial reports, expressing there is not much he has to say about any of the reports.

**New Business:**

**A. Gas City Development Commission**-Mayor Larry Leach made a request to reappoint David Huffman for 2020 (yearly term). Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the request. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**B. Superior Court II**-Magistrate Brian McLane presented for Judge Dana Kenworthy. Magistrate McLane is asking for a transfer of \$7,400.00 from Appeals & Pauper Counsel to the Salary fund to cover a shortfall. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 6-0.

**C. Public Defender**-Bruce Elliott is requesting a transfers of \$2,130.00 from Depositions/Transcriptions to Salaries and \$7,834.00 from Depositions/Transcriptions to

Contractual Appointments. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 6-0.

**D. Area Plan Commission**-Larry Strange is asking for a transfer of \$100.00 from Tuition & registration to Dues & Subscriptions. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 6-0.

**E. County Corner**-Stephen Dorsey is asking to transfer \$40.00 from Office Supplies to Travel and Conference. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**F. County Health Department**-Tara Street presented for Health Officer David Moore and is requesting transfers of \$2,500.00 from Prevention of Disease to Gasoline & Auto and \$1,000.00 from Travel & Conference to Gasoline & Auto. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the transfers as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**G. Emergency Management Agency**-Bob Jackson is requesting a transfer of \$20,719 from Salaries to Part-time Deputy Directors salary. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 6-0.

**H. Emergency Medical Services**-Duaine Ashcraft is asking for the following transfers: \$10,000.00 from Equipment to Run Reimbursement, \$400.00 from MGH Amb. Service Payment to EMT and \$5,000.00 from Pagers to Dues & Subscription. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve all transfers as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

**I. County Clerk**-Brenda Russell presented for Clerk Pam Harris and is asking for the following transfers: \$1,060.00 from Part-time to Traveling Board and \$295.00 from Meals to Rental of Equipment. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfers as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 6-0.

**J. County Assessor**-Nancy Leming presented for Assessor Rhonda Wylie and is asking to transfer \$51.92 from Training to Travel and \$30,000.00 from Contractual Services to Equipment. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfers as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 6-0.

Nancy Leming is also asking to transfer \$14,850.86 from Part-time to Full-time due to doing away with the part-time position and making it a full-time position. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfer as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 6-0.

**K. County Commissioners**-Mark Bardsley is asking for the following transfers:  
\$3,500.00 from Postage to Overtime  
\$9,500.00 from Postage to Supplies  
\$1,126.96 from Postage to Telephone Repair  
\$1,200.00 from Animal Shelter to Cell Phone Allowance  
\$25,873.04 from Postage to Prev. Maintenance  
\$28,000.00 from Copier/Printer Exp. To Prev. Maintenance

\$5,000.00 from Travel & Conf. to Prev. Maintenance  
\$8,000.00 from Publications to Prev. Maintenance  
\$5,000.00 from Contractual Services to Prev. Maintenance  
\$7,000.00 from Soldier Burial to Prev. Maintenance  
\$2,200.00 from Official Bonds to Prev. Maintenance  
\$700.00 from Institutions to Prev. Maintenance  
(All the above are Commissioner (0068) General Fund accounts)

\$1,322.00 from Training & Ed. To Overtime  
\$2,087.28 from Equipment to Overtime  
\$19,791.83 from Equipment to Software Support  
\$238.26 from Equipment to GIS H&S  
(All the above are I.T. (0106) General Fund accounts)

\$20,000.00 from Equipment to Consultant  
\$9,658.80 from Telephone to Consultant  
\$5,696.32 from Telephone to IDAX Terminal Line  
(All the above are E-911 Fund)

\$15,160.17 from Stop Loss to Dental Buy Up  
\$95,583.02 from Stop Loss to Double Sal Life Cov.  
\$3,201.10 from Stop Loss to Emp. Assist Program  
\$19,953.18 from Stop Loss to VSP Vision-County  
(All the above are Insurance Fund)

\$25,449.57 from Vehicles to Contractual Services  
\$3,084.93 from Vehicles to Equipment  
\$5,000.00 from Remodeling & Repair to Equipment  
(All the above are CCD Fund)

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

**L. County Highway Department**-Superintendent David White is requesting the following transfers:

\$20.00 from Truck Drivers to Life Insurance  
\$5,500.00 from Truck Drivers to Rental of Uniforms  
\$10,000.00 from Truck Drivers to Gas, Oil & Lube  
\$10,000.00 from Vehicle Insurance to Garage & Motor  
\$10,000.00 from Vehicle Insurance to Overtime  
(All the above are MVH fund)

\$61,000.00 from Equipment (1173) to Equipment (1176)  
\$1,000.00 from Truck Drivers to Equipment Operators  
\$2,000.00 from Truck Drivers to Pavement Markings  
(All the above are 1173 restricted fund)

\$200.00 from Supplies to Longevity in the Recycle fund.

\$300,000.00 from Cash (1176) to Cash (1173)

Councilman Perez made a motion to approve all transfers as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**M. County Prosecutor**-Jamie Moore presented for Prosecutor Rodney Faulk and is asking to transfer \$7,000.00 from Witness Fees Prosecutor salaries account, and \$260.00 from VOCA to VOCA salaries account. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the transfers as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**N. County Sheriff**-Reggie Nevels is asking for an appropriation of \$50,000.00 for salaries. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**O. County Recorder**-Kathy Foy is asking to amend the salary ordinance for 2020, increasing the part time rate in the Recorder Perpetuation Fund from \$8.382 per hour to \$11.50 per hour. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. There was no second, motion died. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve increasing the rate from \$8.82 per hour to \$11.03 per hour to match County General Recorder 2020 part-time rate. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

**P. County Auditor**-Jim McWhirt is asking for the following additional appropriations: \$40,000.00 in Spot Light on Violence, \$71,000.00 in the CEDIT Fund and \$60,400.00 in the Prosecutor's IV-D Incentive Fund. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

**Q. Loan Proposals**-Auditor Jim McWhirt provided Council with two proposals for financing the Central Dispatch Center renovations. Auditor McWhirt expressed he sent letters to request proposals to the following banks: First Farmers Bank & Trust, Star Financial Bank, Grant County State Bank, Mutual Bank and Old National Bank. Only two banks responded, First Farmers Bank & Trust and Mutual Bank. Auditor McWhirt expressed Mutual Bank has a better interest rate for a 5-year term at 2.99%. First Farmers rate is 3.40%. After further discussion, Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve Ordinance #2019-2 for \$750,000.00 with Mutual Bank, the rate not to exceed 2.99%. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-1 (abstention).

## **8. Old Business**

None.

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

**A. Committee Reports**-President Middlesworth expressed, "we are starting a new committee, EMS Wage Rates committee. Councilman Perez will be the head of that committee.

## **10. Adjournment**

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

