

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
March 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 March 17, 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

Senior Pastor at Lakeview Wesleyan Church Chris Williams led prayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Conner led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call

In attendance physically were Council members Shane Middlesworth, Mike Conner, Chuck Poling, Mike Roorbach, Mark Leming and Frank Hix. Councilman Mike Scott was absent. 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 February 17, 2021 as presented. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0.

6. Auditor's Report-Auditor Jim McWhirt expressed the general fund and the health insurance funds are in good shape. The MVH and the MVH Restricted funds our state revenue is ahead of what was projected for us, so we are in good shape with these funds. Local Road and Street fund is also ahead of projection.

New Business

A. ECI Regional Planning-Director Bill Walters gave an update of what ECI does and what projects they have going on at this time.

B. Swayzee Public Library-Reappoint Alma Caldwell for a term of March 1, 2021 to March 1, 2025. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the reappointment of Alma Caldwell as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 6-0.

C. County Sheriff-Reggie Nevels is asking for a transfer of \$25,000.00 from Juvenile Detention Salaries to Juvenile Detention Overtime. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 6-0. Sheriff Nevels also asked if Council would object to hiring local college students in the study of Criminal Justice at \$15.00 per hour part-time to work in the jail to help with keeping staff. After some discussion Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the request as presented and to amend the salary ordinance amendment that would go along with this. Second by Councilman Roorbach; motion carried 6-0.

D. County Commissioners-Commissioner Mark Bardsley is asking for a salary ordinance amendment for the 2020 Emergency shutdown pay. Councilman Roorbach made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Hix; motion carried 6-0.

8. Old Business

None.

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

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

10. Adjournment

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.