

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
December 13, 2023**

The Grant County Council met in regular session on Wednesday December 13, 2023, 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

Councilman Conner led prayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Perez led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call

In attendance were Council members Shane Middlesworth, Frank Hix, Mark Leming, Mike Scott, Mike Conner, Chuck Poling and Jonathan Perez. Also present were Auditor Angela Jarvis, and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens, Council Attorney Nathan Meeks was absent.

5. Auditor's Report

Auditor Jarvis expressed I provided you the form 22's to show the fall settlement distributions. You also have the general fund balance comparison report showing a health balance in the general fund. We also are continuing with a healthy balance in the health insurance fund. We did receive the 1782 notice today, there were a few suggested changes we sent to them, I am waiting on them to respond to those changes.

6. Approval of Minutes

Councilman Scott made a motion to approve the minutes from the special joint session on September 13, 2023. Second by Councilman Hix; motion carried 5-2 (abstentions).

Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2023, regular session. Second by Councilman Scott; motion carried 5-2 (abstentions).

New Business

A. Grant County Sheriff-Sheriff Del Garcia is requesting to transfer \$50,000.00 from salaries to Contractual Meals. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 7-0.

Councilman Scott made a motion to make a blanket approval to approve all transfers of appropriations in items B, C, D, E & F. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 7-0.

B. Grant County Commissioners-see above motion.

C. Grant County Highway-see above motion.

D. Grant County Superior Court II-see above motion.

E. Grant County EMS-see above motion.

F. Grant County Central Dispatch-see above motion.

G. Grant County Auditor-Auditor Angie Jarvis expressed I would like the opportunity to do some restructuring in my office, by eliminating a full-time position and taking that salary distributing it to the employees that will be taking on the additional responsibilities. I would also like to request an increase in the part-time wage from \$14.00 to \$17.00. The appropriation I have in my part-time account would cover that for the year. The other item is I want to update the titles to the other employees that will be receiving additional funds to increase their salaries in 2024. There will be \$5,705.00 returned to the general fund from the salary plus the benefit package. This would be effective January 1, 2024. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the salary ordinance amendment. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 7-0. Councilman Perez moved to approve to include the request to increase the part-time from \$14.00 to \$17.00 per hour. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 7-0.

Auditor Jarvis stated I am requesting approval to do a fund-to-fund transfer of \$66,321.11 to be transferred from the Ineligible Homestead Fund to County General. This amount is over the 100,000.00 threshold, less than your expenditures and receipts for the year, for the 2022 calendar year. Councilman Leming made a motion to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Perez; motion carried 7-0.

President Middlesworth asked to Council to do a blanket transfer to allow the Auditor's office to make transfers to make sure the funds are in the black at the end of the year. Councilman Scott moved to approve as requested. Second by Councilman Poling; motion carried 7-0.

9. Reports, Resolutions, Communications and General Discussion

Committee Reports-Councilman Perez stated the Growth Council is still looking for a director.

Future Meeting Dates:

Regular meeting-Wednesday January 17, 2024.

10. Adjournment

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.