

Council Meeting
November 18, 2008 – 5:085 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Spaetti. Councilmen Spaetti, Ebert, Winsett, Kress, Cochenour, Bunner, and Attorney Wetherill were present. Councilman Kroeger was absent.

Minutes

10/17/2008 minutes; Winsett made a motion to approve. Bunner seconded. All in favor.

10/21/2008 minutes; Winsett made a motion to approve. Cochenour seconded. All in favor.

Health Insurance

Mary Beth Hurst of SIHO, Pete Franzman of Franzman Insurance, and Commissioner Logsdon explained to the council that due to the purchase of Welborn by Deaconess, some of the doctors who were previously in-network for the Sagamore Select Plan are now out-of-network. 61 county employees use Welborn doctors.

Franzman and Hurst have found that the county can offer a second option to all county employees with Encore. The employees can choose between Sagamore Select, with St. Mary's doctors and Encore, with Deaconess' doctors. The cost of Encore is \$1.65 per person per month more than Sagamore. If all 61 employees who currently use Welborn doctors elected to take Encore, it would cost the county an additional \$1,207.80 per year. The employees would have the choice available to them during open enrollment. Discussion was had. All councilmen present agreed it was a good option to make available. Logsdon stated that at the next commissioners' meeting a recommendation will be officially made to make the option of Encore available. Franzman and Hurst were thanked for bringing the option to the county

YCC Board & 4-H Association

Representatives from the Youth and Community Center Board and the 4-H Association Board were present to discuss with the council the possibility of a public safety building being built on land currently owned by YCC.

Phillip Schmidt stated that the land was donated with a covenant that if the land was not used by 4-H within three years then the land would revert back to the original owners. Schmidt said it was obviously used for the purpose of 4-H. He further stated that both boards have been in favor of having the building built on the land.

Wetherill stated that after his research, he is under the opinion that the YCC Board and the 4-H Association Board should sign agreement documents and have them filed in the Office of the Recorder to take care of the reverter clause.

Todd Smith, of the 4-H Association, stated that the 4-H Association Board voted unanimously to support the building of the public safety building. Spaetti asked if both boards would be willing to have a formal vote and sign documents of support. Larry Dimmet stated that both boards meet on December 11th.

Bunner asked if it would change their support if the building ended up being only a public safety building and it did not house the Extension Office. Smith stated that it is their preference to have the office on site, but they feel that any activity there is good for the county and in turn if good for 4-H.

Smith asked if there was a time frame on the project. Commissioner Attorney Lueken stated that there must be a decision sometime in 2009.

Winsett thanked both boards for attending. Ebert made a motion to have Wetherill prepare documents for the YCC Board and the 4-H Association Board to sign to extinguish the reverter clause. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Additional Appropriations

County General

Commissioner/Health Insurance – Shelton explained that \$600,000 was budgeted and she requested an additional \$100,000. Discussion was had. Cochenour made a motion to approve the request. Ebert seconded. All in favor.

Assessor/ New Construction Contract – Assessor Arnold requested \$30,000 for the new construction assessment contract, \$5,000 less than advertised. Bunner made a motion to approve \$30,000. Winsett seconded. All in favor.

Sheriff/Vehicle Repairs – Chief Deputy McDurmon stated that the advertised \$1,500 is no longer needed.

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Jail/Janitor Supplies – McDurmon requested \$2,000 for janitorial supplies. Kress made a motion to approve. Ebert seconded. All in favor.

Jail/Medical, Hospital and Dental – McDurmon explained \$30,000 is needed for Medical, Hospital and Dental so bills are not held over to next year. Bunner made a motion to approve the request. Cochenour seconded. All in favor.

Jail/Overtime – McDurmon stated that due to the jail being filled to capacity, \$5,000 is needed for overtime. Ebert made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Jail/Nurses – McDurmon explained that the advertised additional is not needed. Money is being transferred instead.

Pre-Trial Diversion

Repair of Equipment/Server Problem – Deputy Prosecutor Wilkerson requested \$650 to pay for the repair of a server that crashed. Cochenour made a motion to approve the request. Winsett seconded. All in favor.

Riverboat

Legal Fees/Adult Plaza – Commissioner Attorney Lueken requested \$10,000 for pending litigation. Cochenour made a motion to approve the request. Bunner seconded. All in favor.

Prosecutor

Special Fee Fund/Bad Check Program – Wilkerson requested \$400 for the bad check program. Ebert made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Transfers

Jail – McDurmon requested a decrease in Part-time Dispatcher \$750, a decrease in Jailer Uniforms \$1,000, and an increase in Nurses \$1,750. Winsett made a motion to approve. Bunner seconded. All in favor.

Sheriff – McDurmon requested a decrease in Gas, Oil and Lube and an increase in Tires and Tubes in an amount of \$1,500. Kress made a motion to approve. Ebert seconded. All in favor.

Prosecutor – Wilkerson requested a decrease in Transcribing \$500 and an increase in Office Supplies \$500. Wilkerson also requested a decrease in Printing \$100 and an increase in Law Books \$100. Ebert made a motion to approve both transfers. Cochenour seconded. All in favor.

Treasurer – Treasurer Dugas requested a decrease in Contractual Services \$1,300. and an increase in Extra Help \$1,300. Bunner made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Plat Book Update – Auditor Shelton requested a decrease in Part Time Help \$515 and an increase in WTH \$515. Cochenour made a motion to approve. Bunner seconded. All in favor.

Circuit Court – Judge Roell requested a decrease in Jury Meal Expenses \$816, a decrease in Furniture Expense \$2,000, and an increase in Computer Warranty Maintenance Expenses \$2,816. Ebert made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

LOIT Tax

Shelton stated that the council is required to formally discuss and vote on whether a LOIT tax should be imposed on the residents of Spencer County. A letter must then be sent to the DLGF on the decision. Bunner made a motion to not impose a LOIT tax. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Luce Sewer

Winsett stated that at the last sewer board meeting, discussion was had on the release of easements. A vote had been held at a previous meeting to return requested easements, but the board attorney said it was not a legal vote.

Board representative Steinkamp stated that Mike Novak from RCAP has offered his assistance to the board in obtaining financial assistance. Discussion was also had on the effect of the incorporation of Richland on the sewer district and where the signed easements are located in the district.

Christmas Dinner

Spaetti stated that the courthouse Christmas dinner will be held on December 23rd. The cost is \$10 and is due to the Health Department by December 9th.

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Ebert made a motion to adjourn. Bunner seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 pm.
County Council,

President

Attest:

Cindy Shelton, Auditor

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