

Council Meeting
February 16, 2010 – 5:30 pm

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

The public hearing regarding the Tax Phase-In for Wink Trailer was delayed until Wink could be present.

Minutes

01/19/2010 minutes; Winsett questioned the wording of the discussion on how the Prosecutor will fund the health insurance of the Victims Advocate. Shelton was asked to report back to the council the different ways the funding or “contribution” to the health insurance can be calculated. Ebert made a motion to approve the minutes. Kress seconded. All in favor.

02/02/2010 minutes; Winsett made a motion to approve. Waninger seconded. All in favor.

Additional Appropriations

Health Department

Emergency Preparedness – The Health Department requested \$10,000 from the Health Fund for Emergency Preparedness. Kress made a motion to approve. Ebert seconded. All in favor.

Tobacco Grant

Child Restraint Seats – The Health Department requested \$16,888 from the Tobacco Grant for the purchase of the Child Restraint Seats. Kress made a motion to approve. Bunner seconded. All in favor.

Public Hearing – Wink Trailer

Spaetti stated that on January 19, 2010, the Spencer County Council designated the property at 963 N CR 275 W, Ohio Township, as an economic revitalization area. At that meeting the council approved abatement for Wink Trailer Corporation for five years on personal property with Resolution 2010-02.

Spaetti asked if there were any objections from the public. Hearing no objections, Spaetti asked for a motion on Resolution 2010-04 confirming the prior resolution. Bunner made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-04, confirming the designation of a portion of Spencer County, Indiana as an economic revitalization area and approving abatement for Wink Trailer Corporation, contingent on the needed zoning change. Kress stated that although he is in favor of granting an abatement, he feels that five years is too long and three years would be more appropriate. Waninger seconded Bunner’s motion. The motion passed with a vote of six to one, with Kress opposing for the stated reason.

Additional Appropriations Continued

County General

Recorder / Association Dues – Recorder Dugas requested \$340 for the Recorders’ Association Dues that was left out of the Recorder’s Budget. Ebert made a motion to approve. Bunner seconded. All in favor.

COIT

Santa Claus Water Project – Auditor Shelton requested the appropriation of the agreed COIT funding payment for Santa Claus Water for 2010 in the amount of \$100,000. Kroeger made a motion to approve. Winsett seconded. All in favor.

St. Meinrad Utilities – Attorney Lueken, speaking for St. Meinrad Utilities, requested COIT funding of the Preliminary Engineer Report (PER) for the proposed water and sewer project at a cost of \$12,800. The grant for the project will be 100% funded except for the PER. Kress made a motion to approve \$12,800 for the PER. Ebert seconded. All in favor.

CEDIT

Highway / Road Striping - The Highway Department requested \$828 for striping that was done in December on CEDIT roads. Kroeger made a motion to approve. Winsett seconded. All in favor.

Cumulative Capital

Jail Intercom – Sheriff Lindsey requested \$22,437 for the jail intercom system. Ebert made a motion to approve. Winsett seconded. All in favor.

Search and Rescue Fund

EMA Director Perdue requested the appropriation of \$3,526 from the Search and Rescue Funds for the purchase of items needed for the Search and Rescue Team. Kroeger made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Local Emergency Plan

EMA Director Perdue requested the appropriation of \$9,638 from the Local Emergency Plan for the purchase of item needed in the event of a chemical spill. Kroeger made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Offender Registration Fund

Shelton requested the appropriation of \$2,000 from the Offender Registration Fund to make payments to the state. Ebert made a motion to approve. Kroeger seconded. All in favor.

Pre-Trial

VOCA Employee Health Insurance – Prosecutor Wilkinson requested \$3,866 from either County General or Pre-Trial Diversion to fund health insurance for the full time VOCA employee in his office. Previously the employee in the position did not require health insurance. Currently the VOCA Grant does not pay for health insurance but he is requesting it for next year. Kroeger made a motion to pay for the county portion of the premium from Pre-Trial. Ebert seconded. All in favor.

VOCA Grant Cash Match – Wilkinson requested \$9,000 from Pre-Trial for the match on the VOCA Grant. Kroeger made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Transfers

County Council – Shelton requested a transfer from Travel to Employee Training in the amount of \$21.65 to cover a negative balance. Bunner made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Auditor – Shelton requested a transfer from Temp Help to Travel/Training in the amount of \$800 to pay for training for her office on the financial software. Ebert made a motion to approve. Kress seconded. All in favor.

Revenue Estimates

Kroeger reported on a discussion held at the AIC Legislative Conference in which it was suggested that a “tax bill dry run” could be done to estimate the impact of the circuit breakers on the county revenue. Shelton said she would check with the tax billing software provider to see if it could be done and at what cost.

Luce Sewer

Spaetti reported that Matt Steinkamp called him and said the sewer district only needs twelve to fifteen more income surveys.

Kress made a motion to adjourn. Bunner seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

County Council,

President

Attest:

Cindy Shelton, Auditor
