

Minutes  
Decatur County Council  
January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – 7:00 P.M.

Present: Geneva Hunt, Danny Peters, Ernie Gauck, Rheadawn Metz, Kenny Owens, Larry Meyer

Not in Attendance: Kenny Hooten

Chairman Ernie Gauck called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting were read. Rheadawn Metz moved to approve the minutes as read, Geneva Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Council requested that future agendas include the time of meeting and that future minutes contain more detail.

Carol Beck – County Health Department - Ms. Beck shared information on the grant that comes from the Master Tobacco settlement and informed the council that the Indiana Local Health Trust Account has revamped what the grant money can be used for. Entities are now allowed to use the money for a vehicle and Ms. Beck pointed out that Jama Cox uses her personal vehicle for food inspections and for meeting attendance, and other work-related activities. Ms. Beck has written the latest grant request with the intention of procuring a vehicle and was sharing that information with the council. She included insurance in the grant. The vehicle is not intended to be used primarily by the environmental portion of the health dept. Ms. Beck asked for any questions or comments concerning her grant proposal. Larry Meyer asked how much of the \$18293.72 grant would be used for the vehicle. Ms. Beck indicated that \$17,600 of the grant is earmarked for the vehicle purchase and the additional money will be used for licensing and insurance. Everyone agreed that amount should purchase a nice used, four door vehicle that would travel to meetings comfortably. Geneva Hunt suggested that the vehicle be purchased locally and Ms. Beck indicated that was the plan. Ms. Beck mentioned that the grant was formerly used to purchase vaccines but those will now be purchased through the Local Health Maintenance fund. The amount of the grant is derived from a population based percentage.

Ernie Gauck presented the 2012 Salary Ordinance for signatures. Danny Peters moved to approve the salary ordinance. Kenny Owens seconded the motion. The motion carried and the ordinance was signed by those in attendance. Council President Ernie Gauck presented a budget ordinance from the Lake McCoy Conservancy District for the council's approval. The document was passed, approved and signed by all present.

Tim Ortman-GIS Coordinator discussed the volume of backlog needing attention. After much discussion and some input from County Assessor Dorene Greiwe, Kenny Owens made a suggestion that the County Surveyor get involved. Andy Scholle will be invited to attend the next council meeting. Several Board appointments were reviewed with the following appointments being made:

Alcoholic Beverage Commission – Paul Ernstes

Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals – Ed Gindling (4 year)

Solid Waste Management Board – Kenny Hooten

TIF Redevelopment – Kenny Owens and Dan Wilson

Economic Development Commission – James Tomson

County Council Attorney – Lora Reed Williams

Decatur County Fair Board – Danny Peters

Larry Meyer moved to accept the appointments and Geneva Hunt seconded. The motion carried.

Council members requested that council meeting dates be forwarded to the Greensburg Daily News and the WTRE in an attempt to make the public more aware of the meetings and to encourage public input. Wenning will check on what can be done.

The next scheduled Council Meeting will be on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business before the council, Kenny Owens moved to adjourn, Danny Peters seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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Ernie Gauck, President

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