

Decatur County Council Meeting

Tuesday January 20, 2015 Room 106

Present: Ernie Gauck, Larry Meyers, Geneva Hunt, Bill Metz, Kenny Owens, Danny Peters and Kenny Hooten.

President Ernie Gauck called the meeting to order.

Rob Duckworth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The December 16th meeting minutes were reviewed- Mr Hooten moved to approve the minutes and Mr Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Coroner Doug Banks presented an Amended 144- Statement of Salaries. The original 144 was submitted with incorrect hourly amounts for "on call" pay for the Deputy Coroners and the Chief Deputy Coroner. The correct amounts are \$2.00 per hour for the Deputy Coroners and \$2.75 for the Chief Deputy Coroner. Mr Metz moved to approve the Amended 144 and Mr Owens seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr Bank also gave Council members a copy of his summary/annual report.

Prosecutor Nathan Harter presented a Resolution for the Council's approval. The Resolution must be presented at the beginning of his term/administration stating Mr Harter will be a 'full-time' Prosecutor. The State of Indiana pays the salary of a full-time prosecutor as well as providing health insurance. Mr Owens moved to approve the Resolution for a full-time Prosecutor and Mr Metz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Math errors were discovered in payroll for approximately eight county employees. Those employees were overpaid approximately \$150 for one and \$99 for the remaining seven. The Auditor's office requested permission to adjust those 2015 salaries reflecting part of their 2015 raise was actually received in 2014. Mr Meyer moved to adjust the 2015 salaries for the eight employees and Mr Owens seconded the motion. Motion carried. Auditor Chadwell also informed Council members the Family Court Counselor position is not fully funded- the annual budget is \$79,972. Some State monies are received by the County- approximately \$16,000. Circuit Court does budget \$26,000 for that position. The Auditor's office learned Deb Cruser was told County General would 'pick up' whatever the State monies didn't cover. That piece of information was never shared with the Council or the Auditor's office. Mr Gauck asked that Ms Cruser come to their February meeting to discuss funding options.

Mr Hooten moved to approve budget transfers and Mr Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr Gauck signed the letter to PERF authorizing the Auditor sign PERF forms concerning County employees.

Mr Gauck asked about receiving the monthly Treasurer's Report and a monthly report on fund balances. Council members will review the 100 R Statement of Employee Salaries for 2014.

With nothing else to come before the Council, Mr Metz moved to adjourn and Mr Hooten seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Council's next meeting will be on February 17th at 9:00 a.m.

Ernest Gauck, President

Attest: _____

Date: _____